



February 13, 2023

Meeting called to order by Matt Kuhn at 5:10 pm.

Commission members present: Amy Lares, James Mitchell, Randy Taylor, Mark Mueterthies, Bobby Schwickerath, David Geerts, Matt Kuhn, Ryan Shawver

Absent: Jim Ashley and Samantha Johnson

Guests: Sheriton Dettmer, Jacob Hackman, Travis Suckow, Doreen Cook, Jim Cook

Motion by Schwickerath, seconded by Shawver, to add adoption of budget and approve the agenda. Alta Vista-Aye, Fredericksburg-Aye, Ionia-Aye, Lawler-Aye, New Hampton-Aye, North Washington-Aye, Board of Supervisors-Nay, Sheriff-Aye. Motion Carried

Motion by Taylor, seconded by Mueterthies to approve the January 25, 2023 Emergency Management Commission meeting minutes. All Ayes. Motion Carried

Motion by Mitchell, second by Lares to open public hearing for FY24 budget at 5:17 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried

Doreen Cook asked what the HMEP grant was, Bernatz explained that is the hazmat grant that the LEPC applies for every year. Each county takes turn being the fiscal agent of that grant. Chickasaw County is not the fiscal agent next year that is why they is nothing listed in that line item. Doreen Cook also asked about the Other Study Hazmat line item on the expenditure side, Bernatz explained that is the expense side of the HMEP grant. Since Chickasaw is not the fiscal agent, there will be no expenses from that line item.

Doreen Cook asked about the money in the training and education line item, she wanted to know why the revenue was not shown for the money that would be reimbursed from Calmar (NICC) for the EMT class from a grant. Bernatz explained that NICC used the grant money to lower the cost of tuition before it was released, it was not a reimbursement.

Doreen Cook also wanted to know why there was not any revenue listed for any and all grants that could be applied for in that fiscal year. Bernatz asked Cook how to come up with a number of possible revenue when grants are not guaranteed. Cook advised to just put a number in there.

Hackman thanked the commission for their time and addressed them as a city and rural tax payer about using 29c.17(2)(b) as per capita from the general funds not based off evaluation.

Bernatz advised that he did not receive and written comments.

Motion by Geerts, second by Mueterthies to close public hearing for budget FY24 at 5:20. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Taylor, second by Schwickerath to adopt FY24 budget as published. Alta Vista-Aye, Fredericksburg-Nay, Ionia-Aye, Lawler-Aye, New Hampton-Aye, North Washington-Aye, Board of Supervisors-Aye, Sheriff-Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Mitchell, second by Schwickerath to adjourn meeting at 5:22 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.



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