



January 10, 2024

Meeting called to order by Matt Kuhn at 6:24 pm

Commission members present: Amy Laures, James Mitchell, Mark Muetherthies, Steve Geerts, Megan Baltes, Matt Kuhn, and Ryan Shawver

Absent: Jim Ashley, Randy Taylor, and Samantha Johnson

Guests: Jeff Bernatz, Steve Breitbach, Terry Johnson, Jacob Hackman, Travis Suckow, Sheriton Settmer, and Scott Cerwinske

Motion by S. Geerts, seconded by Shawver to approve the agenda. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Shawver, seconded by Muetherthies to approve the May 31, 2023 Emergency Management Commission meeting minutes. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Shawver nominated Kuhn for Chair, seconded by S. Geerts. Mitchell motion for nominations to cease, second by Shawver. All Ayes – Motion Carried. Roll Call vote for Kuhn for Chair: Alta Vista – Aye, Fredericksburg – Aye, Lawler – Aye, New Hampton – Aye, North Washington – Aye, Supervisor – Aye, Sheriff – Aye. Absent: Ashley, Taylor, and Johnson. Motion Carried, Kuhn Chair.

Shawver nominated Mitchell for Vice Chair, second by S. Geerts. Baltes motion for nominations to cease, second by Laures. All Ayes – Motion Carried. Roll Call vote for Kuhn for Chair: Alta Vista – Aye, Fredericksburg – Aye, Lawler – Aye, New Hampton – Aye, North Washington – Aye, Supervisor – Aye, Sheriff – Aye. Absent: Ashley, Taylor, and Johnson. Motion Carried. Mitchell Vice Chair.

Bernatz gave a department update.

Bernatz explained that the county has updated their health insurance and vacation policy, EMA will align with the new policies. Motion by Baltes, second by Shawver to approve the health insurance policy update. All Ayes. Motion Carried. Motion by Baltes, second by Mitchell to approve the vacation policy update. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Budget workshop

Consensus of the Commission for the 24-25 EMA budget is \$252,046.00 as presented and funded by chapter 29C.17(2)(a) A countywide special levy pursuant to section 331.424(1).

An EMA agenda will be posted for the January 15, 2024 Board of Supervisor meeting.

Motion by Mitchell, second by Shawver to adjourn the meeting. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm


Jeff Bernatz, Coordinator
Chickasaw County Emergency Management