



February 21, 2024

Meeting called to order by Matt Kuhn at 6:00 pm

Commission members present: Amy Laures, James Mitchell, Randy Taylor, Mark Mueterthies, Samantha Johnson, Jason Tenge, Matt Kuhn, Ryan Shawver

Absent: Jim Ashley and Steve Geerts

Guests: Jeff Bernatz, Jim Cook, Doreen Cook

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

Motion by Mitchell, seconded by Shawver to approve the January 31, 2024 Emergency Management Commission meeting minutes. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Laures to set open public hearing at 1739hrs. All Ayes Motion Carried

Doreen Cook asked why the website line item was blank when it had a number a couple years ago, Bernatz advised that before the county owned their own website EMA paid for their own.

Doreen Cook asked about the EMPG grant and asked if it was applied for every year, Bernatz advised her that it is applied for every year.

Doreen Cook mentioned that the meeting minutes were not up to date on the website and she would like that fixed.

Matt Kuhn advised that at their (BOS) meetings discussion was that they would not totally fund the current budget number. Mitchell asked if they are not going to fund the budget number, what is their number. Kuhn advised he would not speak for the board. Shawver advised that he attended the board meeting, a public meeting, and the number thrown around was 100,000.

Motion by Johnson, second by Tenge to close public hearing. All Ayes. Motion Carried

Shawver reminded the commission that if the budget is not totally funded it require money to be pulled out of cash pool to backfill and will lessen the ability of capital projects. Mitchell believes there needs to be some restructuring first responders and EMS.

Motion by Taylor, second by Johnson to adopt the FY25 budget as written. Ayes = Laures, Taylor, Mueterthies, Johnson, Tenge, Shawver. Nays = Mitchell and Kuhn. Motion Carried

Motion by Johnson, second by Mitchell to adjourn at 1749. All Ayes. Motion Carried.


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