

February 22, 2021

The Mitchell County Commissioners met in formal session on Monday, February 22, 2021 with Chairman Tom Claussen and members Mike Cooper and Jim Marshall in attendance. Also in attendance was Jason Rabe, Beloit City Manager.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Claussen and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the February 16, 2021 meeting were approved as written on motion by Jim Marshall and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Jason Rabe, Beloit City Manager, reported on costs, etc. due to the recent stretch of below zero temperatures and rolling blackouts caused by increased usage. The City of Beloit was able to run their own generators for a considerable savings to the City consumers.

Cortney Murrow, County Health Administrator, discussed COVID vaccines and recommendations on who should receive them. This is a decision for which the County Health Officer, Dr. Kimple, is responsible. Dr. Kimple feels that the group most susceptible to the virus are those over age 65 and his recommendation is to vaccinate those individuals first. There has also been considerable discussion about vaccinating educators so students may remain in person for learning. In the next batch of vaccine (100 doses) 50 will be designated to educators (40 to Beloit Public Schools and 10 to St. John's Schools). There will also be vaccines provided by S&S Drug, but those vaccinated there will have to receive their second dose of vaccine at that location as the Health Department will not provide second doses for those individuals. Those who choose to receive their vaccinations from a pharmacy will also be billed separately.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 on motion by Mike Cooper and seconded by Mike Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Tom Claussen, Chairman

ATTEST: Chris Treaster, Mitchell Co Clerk