

## August 2, 2021

The Mitchell County Commissioners met in formal session on Monday, August 2, 2021 with Chairman Tom Claussen and members Mike Cooper and Jim Marshall in attendance. Also in attendance was Heather Hartman, Community Development Director, and 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 July 26, 2021 meeting were approved as written on motion by Jim Marshall and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Keegan Bailey, NCRPC Grant Administrator, and Brent Cunningham, Cunningham Communications, again discussed the ARPA Grant Funds and using some of the money for expansion of high-speed broadband in the County. The commission was going to think the proposal over and make a decision.

Eric Hamel, EMS Director, requested permission to purchase a Ricoh Printer/Copier for his department. His request was granted on motion by Mike Cooper and seconded by Jim Marshall in the amount of \$4,831. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Mr. Hamel also requested his department be allowed to purchase a power-load system, a power cot, and a monitor with ARPA Funds. There was also discussion about possibly purchasing a new Ambulance with ARPA money.

There will be a Noxious Weed regional meeting at Trapper Joe's on August 12<sup>th</sup>.

The Commission approved the bill for Mid-Continental Restoration for the work on the Courthouse in the amount of \$147,887 on motion by Jim Marshall and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 on motion by Mike Cooper and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The commission opened a work session to do the County's 2022 budget with Jeff Reece and Alex Larson, Lindburg, Vogel, Pierce, Faris, Chtd., the County's auditing firm at 10:00. The commission reviewed each budget as had been submitted by the departments and, after updating a few items, had the levy set at 95.009, the same as last year. The hearing will be held on August 23<sup>rd</sup> and no Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing will be required.

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Tom Claussen, Chairman

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ATTEST: Chris Treaster, Mitchell Co Clerk