

The meeting was called to order by Chair Reisch with all Commissioners present.

Motion by Boyenga, seconded by Hoime, to approve the September 20, 2016 County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Boyenga, to approve the September 06, 2016 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Hoime, seconded by Williamson, to approve the consent agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

1. Extension Committee appointment – Nate Golla
2. Kanaranzi-Little Rock Watershed appointment – Anthony Boyenga

Jay Trusty, Regional Development Commission Executive Director, reviewed the RDC's strategic plan with priorities along with program updates. Trusty stated that Commissioner Thompson, Mike Davis and Keith Elbers are Rock County's representatives on the Regional Development Commission.

Evan Verbrugge, Sheriff, requested authorization to renewal the Zuercher maintenance contract for \$1,059.00 and that the expense is E911 eligible; motion by Boyenga, seconded by Williamson, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Sheriff informed the County Board that he was in receipt of a letter of resignation from Terri Ebert, Dispatch Supervisor effective December 30, 2016 and requested authorization to backfill the position to allow for training; motion by Boyenga, seconded by Thompson, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Sheriff introduced Chad Kempema, newest full time deputy; Kempema brings 15 years of law enforcement experience. The County Board wished him well.

Dave Haugom, Veterans Services Officer, presented an update of a recent conference he had attended; the conference featured breakout sessions, legislative updates and networking. He stated that he is required to attend a spring and fall conference for accreditation. Haugom expressed an interest in serving as honor guard for the Legion and VFW; motion by Hoime, seconded by Williamson, to support Haugom's efforts in serving in honor guard activities, declared carried on a voice vote.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented per diems of \$750.00 and the claims; motion by Thompson, seconded by Reisch, to approve, declared carried on a unanimous vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's Office.

Claims over \$2,000:

CHS EASTERN FARMERS COOP	7,050.29
COMPUTER PROFESSIONALS UNLIMITED INC	5,867.00
EVERBRIDGE INC	3,914.00
EXPRESSWAY-LUVERNE	3,587.16
HENNING CONSTRUCTION, INC	9,450.00

KETTERLING SERVICES INC	9,434.41
KUSTOM SIGNALS, INC	4,068.00
LAWSON PRODUCTS, INC	2,012.60
LUVERNE/CITY OF	9,429.82
LYON COUNTY LANDFILL	18,097.50
MORRIS ELECTRONICS	2,559.73
NOBLES COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	10,971.00
OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR	7,576.50
ROCK COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES	2,467.46
SOUTHWEST HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	20,938.38
TITAN MACHINERY-SIOUX FALLS	2,180.26
W & N CONSTRUCTION INC	7,040.00
WHEELCO TRUCK & TRAILER PARTS INC	5,185.73
	35,627.21
Total	167,457.05

Motion by Boyenga, seconded by Hoime, to approve the fund balance report, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Reisch, to approve the re-issuance of lost warrant # 42168 for \$209.64 and warrant #42284 for \$699.42, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Auditor/Treasurer informed the County Board that the 2015 audit is ready for release and an exit interview is scheduled for September 21.

The Auditor/Treasurer presented an update regarding fund reserves and stated that bond expenditures and Road and Bridge advancements are the reasoning for the fluctuations in amount of reserves on hand reported by the audit.

The Administrator and Auditor/Treasurer led a discussion regarding the preliminary levy; motion by Williamson, seconded by Thompson, to set the preliminary levy at 6.5% increase, motion failed on a 2-3 vote with Commissioners Boyenga, Hoime and Reisch voting nay. Additional discussion followed.

Motion by Hoime, seconded by Reisch, to set the preliminary levy at 5.75% increase, motion failed on a 2-3 vote with Commissioner Boyenga, Williamson and Thompson voting nay. Additional discussion followed.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Reisch, to set the preliminary levy at \$5,469,492.00 a 6.13% increase, motion declared carried on a 3-2 with Commissioner Boyenga and Hoime voting nay.

The Auditor/Treasurer requested to set the 2016 Truth and Taxation Hearing for December 13 at 6:00PM; motion by Boyenga, seconded by Thompson to approve the Truth and Taxation schedule and change the December 13 County Board meeting time to 4:00PM, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board had a brief discussion regarding AMC Annual Conference attendance and lodging accommodations.

The Administrator informed the County Board that he attended a Blandin event where he presented information regarding the Rock County's Broadband project; presented as information only.

Commissioner Items:

Commissioner Williamson informed the County Board that he attended an SWCD, Southwestern Mental Health, Rock County Opportunities and Extension meetings.

Commissioner Hoime stated that he had attended a Solid Waste and Rural Energy meetings where they toured the new recycling facility in Redwood Falls and solar farm in Renville County; also attended a Rock/Nobles Community Corrections board meeting.

Commissioner Boyenga stated that he had attended a SWHHS meeting.

Commissioner Thompson stated that she attended the A.C.E. Volunteer Appreciation event which was well attended along with a PIC/Chief Elected Officials meeting. She was informed the County Board of a Manufacturing Day event held at Midwest Fire on October 7th.

Commissioner Reisch stated that he attended the Commission Department Road Tour event, a Library meeting and the AMC District Conference.

With no further business to come before the County Board, meeting was declared adjourned.