RANSOM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting – October 6, 2022

The meeting was call to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Joe Mathern. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members present: Connie Gilbert, Neil Olerud, Andrew Beerman, Greg Schwab, and Joe Mathern.

Agenda – was reviewed by the board. Gilbert moved, seconded by Schwab to approve the agenda with the addition of introduction of new employees. All aye. Motion carried.

Heidi Engquist was introduced to the board. She will be working in the Recorder’s office.

Tiffany Bunn was introduced to the board. She will be working in the Treasurer’s office and motor vehicle.

Minutes – from the regular scheduled commission meeting on September 20, 2022 were reviewed. Olerud moved, seconded by Gilbert to approve the minutes with corrections. All aye. Motion carried.

Bills – Nicole Gentzkow discussed how the county continues to get late fees tacked on bills due to paying bills only once a month on the third Tuesday of the month. Some bills depending on due date and cut off time are getting disconnect notices. Gentzkow asked the board if they would be willing to review bills at every meeting to avoid these issues. Olerud moved, seconded by Beerman to approve bills at every meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

July 19, 2022 budget minutes – were reviewed by the board. Gilbert moved, seconded by Beerman to approve the minutes with corrections. All aye. Motion carried.

July 22, 2022 budget minutes – were reviewed by the board. Beerman approved, seconded by Schwab. All aye. Motion carried.

July 26, 2022 budget minutes – were reviewed by the board. Olerud moved, seconded by Schwab. All aye. Motion carried.

August 2, 2022 budget minutes – were reviewed by the board. Gilbert moved, seconded by Beerman to approve the minutes with corrections. All aye. Motion carried.

August 8, 2022 budget minutes – were reviewed by the board. Olerud moved, seconded by Schwab. All aye. Motion carried.

Manual warrants - in the amount of $14,836.90 were reviewed by the board. Gilbert moved, seconded by Schwab to approve the manual warrants in the amount of $14,836.90. All aye. Motion carried.

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| CASS COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP  | 557.33 |
| JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA  | 11,436.20 |
| LIBERTY BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC.  | 297.39 |
| LISBON, CITY OF  | 292.66 |
| MARCO  | 773.86 |
| ND GAME & FISH DEPARTMENT  | 341.00 |
| SOUTHEAST WATER USERS  | 48.11 |
| WEX BANK  | 1,090.35 |
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| Total | 14,836.90 |

Ransom County Housing Authority – Derek Johnson with the housing authority appeared before the board to present the financials from July, August, and September 2022. Olerud moved, seconded by Schwab to approve the financials as presented by Johnson for July, August, and September 2022. All aye. Motion carried. Johnson also presented the annual plan and civil rights certification that had been presented at the annual meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the community room. No changes or updates were made to the civil rights certification. Gilbert moved to approve the annual plan/civil rights certification, seconded by Beerman. All aye. Motion carried.

Johnson also presented the Ransom County Housing Authority minutes from the previous meeting on July 19, 2022. Minutes were approved and signed.

Delinquent Taxes and Appraisals – Teresa Haecherl appeared before the board to let them know that there are three residential properties on the delinquent tax list for 2019 and 8 mobile homes. Most are repeat offenders. Olerud moved, seconded by Gilbert to approve the appraisal prices as set by the tax director presented by deputy Teresa Haecherl. Vote was unanimous.

Fox Farm Bridge – Scott Smyth and Joe Mathern met with the Veterans home on September 30, 2022 and were granted temporary access until a new bridge is built. Routes were discussed. Beerman moved, seconded by Olerud to have Scott Smyth with KLJ look into a route going north so easements can be established and the details of county funded or a FEMA road can be discussed at a later time. All aye. Motion carried.

Anslem Bridge – Olerud would like to look into getting the Anslem bridge reassessed by a different inspection firm. Discussion was had. No decision was made.

The final budget was reviewed. Schwab moved, seconded by Beerman to approve the final budget at 80.80 mills. All aye. Motion carried.

There being nothing further to come before the board, Chairman Mathern adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

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Nicole Gentzkow Joe Mathern, Chairman

Ransom County Auditor Ransom County Commission