

SPECIAL MEETING OF HETTINGER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
December 7, 2022

Chairman Tom Geerts called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and Devan Laufer pledged his oath of office for Hettinger County Commissioner with Tracy Kruger as the notary. Commissioner Todd Lutz was able to attend via phone call. Elliott Finck, Road Supervisor; Pat Merriman, Asst. State's Attorney and Sheriff Sarah Warner were also in attendance. Lutz made the motion to approve the October and November minutes as presented with making an amendment to November's minutes of where there was a typing error in which both the motion and second was made by the same person. Auditor will correct.

Lutz made the motion to approve the bills as presented for the following: General \$27,641.91; R&B \$16,197.76; Emergency 911 \$2,232.30; ARPA \$53.50; Sheriff Drug Canine Fund \$2,016.87; County Agent \$487.15; Sheriff \$29,953.34. Seconded by Laufer. All in favor, motion carried.

Robin Ulrich, Deputy Recorder, Clerk of Court discussed with the commissioners that there is an upcoming Zoom meeting that they may want to watch. It will discuss the proposed Legislation to transition the Clerk of Court services to becoming state funded. Clerk of Courts would then be state employees.

Lutz made the motion to increase royalty payment to \$2.25/yard from the previous \$2.00/yd for crushed gravel. Laufer seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Laufer made the motion to accept the bid received from Martin's Welding & Refrigerator for the twelve thermostats that are not working in the courthouse, although asked for, no other bids were received. Lutz seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

County Agent, Heidi Marxen, met with the board. Karagan Friedt will be home for the Christmas break and has asked Marxen if she would need some help in the extension office. Lutz made the motion to hire Friedt for 20 to 25 hours at the rate of \$12.00/hour, motion seconded by Laufer. All in favor, motion carried.

Laufer motioned to sign the resolution for the 911 increase of fifty cents that the voters approved at the June Primary Election, seconded by Lutz. All in favor, motion carried.

Laufer motioned to approve the following board appointments: SW Health District, All commissioners; Roosevelt-Custer Regional Council, Laufer; Roughrider North Human Service Zone, Geerts; SW Multi-County Correction Center, Lutz; County Fair, Laufer; JDA, Geerts and Lutz; Sales Tax Committee, Lutz; Zoning, Geerts; Weed Board, Laufer; Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), Lutz and Laufer. Lutz seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST _____

Jeri G. Schmidt, AUDITOR

Tom Geerts, CHAIRMAN