

MINUTES

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order and Roll Call

Committee Chairman Morse called the meeting to order at 5:00P.M. on Tuesday, August 17, 2021. Upon the call of roll, the following members were present: Tom Morse, Joel Bird, Marla Mackiewicz, Jerry Hawker, Nancy O'Kane, Bruce Stark and Becky Stark. 7 present, 0 absent. Also attending the meeting were: Larry Baughn – Vermilion County Chairman, Steve Brandy – WDAN, Bill Donahue – Vermilion County Risk Consultant, Barb Bailey – Election Commission, Darren Duncan – Vermilion County Treasurer, Charles Bostic – Election Commission, Tom Mellen – Election Commission, and Cassy Carter – Financial Administrative Manager.

Agenda Item 2 – Adoption /Amendments to Agenda

Bruce Stark moved to adopt the agenda, second was made by Bird. Motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 3 - Approval of Minutes for the Previous Meeting- August 3, 2021

Becky Stark moved to approve the minutes, second was made by Mackiewicz. Motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 4 - Audience Comments

None

Agenda Item 5 – Budget Election Commission

Hawker questioned why the Department Head wasn't in attendance to present the budget to the committee. He stated that at other committee meetings the Department Head has been present for questions. Hawker stated that this is in violation of the executive order from the Chief Judge. Barb Bailey stated that the board is present to answer any questions about the budget. Chairman Baughn stated that the Department Head did meet with he and Cassy the Finance Manager, and the budget and narrative were reviewed and then brought to committee. Mackiewicz asked Hawker what is on the budget that we would need to hear from the Department Head, since there was an overall decrease to the proposed budget. Hawker stated he had questions on the salary, publication, legal and dues & license lines. Discussion ensued on Election Commission budget.

Motion made by Bird to call the question, seconded by Bruce Stark.

Upon the call of the roll the following members voted yes, to wit: Morse, Bird, Mackiewicz, Hawker, O'Kane Bruce Stark and Becky Stark. 7 yes, 0 absent. Motion passed.

Motion made by Hawker to table Election Budget for the next Tax & Election meeting on 9/7/21, and for the Department Head to present the budget at that time. Motion was seconded by O'Kane.

Upon the call of the roll the following members voted yes, to wit: Morse, Bird, Mackiewicz, Hawker, O'Kane Bruce Stark and Becky Stark. 7 yes, 0 absent. Motion passed

Agenda Item 6 – Executive Session

None required

Agenda Item 7 – Items of Information

Baughn advised that the Property budget passed committee, Public Safety Committee meeting would be held on Wednesday, followed by Health & Education Committee on Thursday. Baughn stated there was a decrease to the Veterans Assistance budget to which Morse explained that you have to be from Vermilion County to receive help from this fund. Many vets are helped from the VA Hospital that are not from Vermilion County. O'Kane requested since this budget will be presented again at the next Tax & Election Committee meeting, that the audience comments during their allotted section, and then committee members comment during their allotted section. The meeting was halted due to a medical emergency.

Agenda Item 8 –Adjournment

Committee Chairman Morse adjourned the meeting at 5:57 PM.

Minutes by: Cassy Carter, Financial Administrative Manager, County Board