

LYON COUNTY AUDITORS OFFICE
February 6, 2019

ROCK RAPIDS, IOWA

Chairman Mark Behrens convened the adjourned session with Feucht, Koedam, Birkey, and Herman present. Motion carried assumes unanimous vote unless otherwise stated.

Lyon County Fair Board members Alvin Smidstra and Wes DeGroot joined the meeting to present the fair numbers from FY18. The race track numbers were not included as they were not available due to the treasurer leaving the position. The commercial building was discussed regarding cold storage for secondary roads and how much space will be needed moving forward. There are plans to construct a new beef barn at the grounds which would incorporate the car ports on the west side. The Fair Board requests \$16,000 again for FY20. The Board thanked Smidstra and DeGroot for all the work the Fair Board puts into the fair each year.

The Board worked through multiple department budgets for FY20, as well as discussed where the Board would like levies to be set. Salaries were discussed regarding the road deputies, and county engineer with no decisions made.

Organization Requests for FY20 are as follows: EMA Contribution \$42,650; Family Crisis Center \$7,500; Elderbridge Agency of Aging \$7,459; Regional Transit Authority \$2,400; Mid Sioux \$9,000; Lyon County Historical Society \$7,000; Lyon County Fair Board \$16,000.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:15 p.m. to return at 1:15 p.m. to meet with County Engineer Laura Sievers and review other budgets.

County Attorney Shayne Mayer and Crime Victim Witness Coordinator Heather Heimensen were present to answer questions regarding the attorney budget. It was discussed that with better re-estimation of the FY19 numbers, there may be enough in the budget to not have to use the county attorney incentive fund dollars for the new full time fine collection position that started Feb. 1, 2019. County attorney incentive fund dollars were also discussed for FY20. This amount has been historically budgeted at \$10,000 with many years having no expenses used from it. It was asked if that amount could be lowered and if more dollars are needed (large trial or other unseen expense) a budget amendment could be done. It is the intention of the Board to try to get department heads to budget close to what they feel expense will be, not what they could be. Attorney Mayer consented to lowering the budgeted amount in the incentive fund. The revenues were also looked at and increased to better match the trends of the years past. With a fulltime fine collection position, Mayer believes the revenue should increase. The Board thanked Mayer and Heimensen for coming in.

County Engineer Laura Sievers joined the Board to discuss Sievers' plans for buildings and real estate for FY20. There is currently \$1,000,000 budgeted in real estate and buildings for FY20. After discussion, it was decided that there would be no shops built in FY20 and Sievers agreed to decrease that

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line item to \$100,000. After more discussion, the remaining \$900,000 was moved to construction for FY20. The Board also discussed Sievers salary increase with Sievers. The engineer employment contract states that the Board shall pay the engineer the state average of county engineers. It was noted that the Board and Sievers are computing the estimated increase using two different processes as well as salary listings. The salary was not decided and tabled to a future meeting. The Board thanked Sievers for coming.

There being no further business there was a motion by Feucht, seconded by Birkey to adjourn. Motion carried.

The Board will meet in regular session on Tuesday, February 12th starting at 9:00 a.m.

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County Auditor	Chairman

NOTE: These minutes are as recorded by the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors and are subject to Board approval at the next regular meeting.