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HOUSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BOARD MEETING

9:30, January 26, 2021, County Board Room, Historic Courthouse

AGENDA

*******The meeting will be accessible to public participants via our conference call line at 312-626-6799 and entering meeting ID: 994 7297 7175 and password 368422. Public attendees are requested to mute their line until addressed.*******

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVE AGENDA

APPROVE PREVIOUS MINUTES

-Special Board Meeting/Workgroup Session, January 12, 2021, and Workgroup Session
January 19, 2021

PUBLIC COMMENT

9:35 a.m. Compensation Study Update – Tessia Melvin, DDA

10:00 a.m. Closed Session pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.03, Subd. 1, (b) “to consider strategy for labor negotiations, including negotiation strategies or developments or discussion and review of labor negotiation proposals”

10:30 a.m. Bruce Kimmel with Ehlers will present the results of the Houston County 2021A State Aid bond sale and the board will need to award to the successful bidder. Attached is a sample resolution the board will need to adopt. Ehlers will update the resolution on Monday after the bond sale.

Award successful 2021A State Aid bond.

COVID-19 UPDATE FROM PUBLIC HEALTH

CONSENT AGENDA

(Routine business items enacted by one unanimous motion. Commissioners may request moving items on the consent agenda to the Action Item list if they desire discussion before taking action.)

- 1) Assign Lucas Onstad to classification C-53, Step 1, effective January 13, 2021. (Auditor/Treasurer designated Lucas Onstad Assessor during the pending search for Assessor pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 273.061, Subd. (2b). (Kruger)
- 2) Assign Cindy Cresswell-Hatleli, to pay out of class of \$35.50/hour on a temporary basis to provide training effective January 21, 2021. (Kruger)
- 3) Approve Department Head Meetings 2021 schedule. (Lapham)
- 4) Approve guardianship contracts – Clinton Brainard, Sandra Fitting, Bonnie Gregerson, Terry Lee Lund, Vergie Rud, and Judy Storlie. (Pugleasa)
- 5) Approve Resolution No. 21-08 Authorization to Establish Absentee Ballot Board and UOCAVA Ballot Board for Township Elections. (Trehus)

ACTION ITEMS

- 1) Consider approving change order #1 from Wieser Brothers to replace (150') of 24" existing corroded storm sewer pipe. (Pogodzinski)
- 2) Consider approving change order #2 to upgrade the sectional doors with the light curtain in lieu of pneumatic bottom edges. (Pogodzinski)
- 3) Consider approving purchase of two Vermeer Mowers from Hammell Equipment for a net purchase price of \$13,950.00. (Pogodzinski)
- 4) Consider approving County/Caledonia City agreement regarding the water main loop for the new highway shop. (Pogodzinski)
- 5) Discuss the LRIP (Local Road Improvement Program). Consider if the board wants to sponsor all township/city projects or review and select a limited number of projects to support. (Pogodzinski)
- 6) Consider approving the purchase authority agreement and amendment 1 of Weiser's contract. (Pogodzinski)
- 7) Consider approving 2021 Hiawatha Valley Mental Health Center HVMHC contract and rates for adult and children's mental health services. (Pugleasa)
- 8) Consider purchase of service agreement with ABC Woodland. (Pugleasa)
- 9) Consider approving amendment to Foster Care School Transportation agreement with La Crescent-Hokah School District. This amendment adds the La Crescent-Hokah Montessori & STEM School as a party to the agreement. (Pugleasa)
- 10) Consider approving new 2021 Board Meeting Schedule. (Wagner)
- 11) Consider approving Houston County State Business Relief Grant to open for round one in February to businesses directly affected by Executive Order 20-99. These businesses include restaurants, bars, fitness centers, exercise studios, entertainment venues, and event spaces. (Wagner)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1) Board Updates (Board Chairman)
- 2) Commissioner Reports and Comments

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT

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REMINDERS