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HOUSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BOARD MEETING

9:00, December 14, 2021, County Board Room 222, Historic Courthouse

AGENDA

*******The meeting will be accessible to public participants in person or 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

-Workgroup Session November 16, 2021

-Board Meeting November 23, 2021

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPOINTMENTS

9:10 a.m. Department of Natural Resources Presentation by Brandon J. Schad Area Wildlife Supervisor Division of Fish and Wildlife and Site Coordinator (See Action Item No. 1)

9:20 a.m. Houston County Agricultural Society/Fair Board Presentation by Emily Johnson, Fair Manager (See Action Item No. 2)

9:45 a.m. Hiawatha Valley Mental Health Center (HVMHC) Presentation by Erik Seivers, Executive Director

10:00 a.m. Bank of the West Presentation by Claudia V. Stegora, Vice President, Sr. Lead Relationship Manager

10:15 a.m. Cash and Investment Review by Donna Trehus, Auditor-Treasurer

10:30 Closed Session Labor Negotiations – Closed session pursuant to Minn. Stat. §13D.03, Subd. 1, (b) to discuss labor negotiations, including negotiation strategies or developments or discussion and review of labor negotiation proposals, conducted pursuant to sections 179A.01 to 179A.25.

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) Approve regional contract management agreement with Olmsted County and authorize PH & HS Director to sign the agreement. (Pugleasa)
- 2) Renew the AVI Courtroom Support contract for 2022 (Court's technology maintenance/support). (Kruger)
- 3) Hire Tricia Laganieri-Sand, as a probationary Child Protection Social Worker, C41 Step 4 (non-exempt), effective 12/27/2021 conditioned upon successful completion of a background check. (Kruger)
- 4) Renew the Professional Services Agreement and Addendum with the Community and Economic Development Associates (CEDA) for years 2022 and 2023. (The revised agreement includes a 2% increase in rates for services for each year.) (Kruger)
- 5) Adopt Resolution 21-59 authorizing County staff to execute all necessary documents to ensure County participation in the multistate settlements relating to opioid distributors and manufacturers, and in the Minnesota Opioids State-Subdivision Memorandum of Agreement, and declaring support for an amendment to Minn. Stat. § 256.043, subd. 3(d). (Trehus)

ACTION ITEMS

- 1) Consider approving Resolution No. 21-58 Proposed State Land Acquisition by the State of Minnesota for wildlife management area purposes in Hokah Township. (Schad)
- 2) Consider approving request from Houston County Agricultural Society/Fair Board for additional \$4,000. (Johnson)
- 3) Consider accepting donation from Farm to Table Event in the amount of \$1,000 to the Sheriff's Office to use for Sheriff's Office needs. (Swedberg)
- 4) Consider accepting donation from Houston County K9 Foundation Inc. in the amount of \$1,500 for K9 lease. (Swedberg)
- 5) Consider accepting donation from Houston County K9 Foundation Inc. in the amount of \$2,571.75 for new K9 squad. (Swedberg)
- 6) Consider approving Change Order No. 34 to purchase and install door closure at the new Highway Facility. (Pogodzinski)
- 7) Consider approving 2022 Board of Commissioner Meeting Schedule. (Wagner)
- 8) Consider approval of 2021 PH&HS budget amendments. These changes reflect the line item increases/decreases in payroll due to the 2021 labor contract settlements. A lump sum change had previously been provided to the Board. (Lapham)
- 9) Consider approving MOA with U of M for providing Extension programs locally and employing Extension Staff. This MOA covers the AFNR (Ag) and 4-H Youth Development Extension Educators. Also consider approving the MOA addendum that covers a Program Intern. Due to budget reduction requests it was offered to forego the Program Intern substituting a Program Coordinator (i.e. fair support) with a 2022 cost savings of \$2,160 - \$2,940. (Lapham)
- 10) Authorize request to expend funds to investigate three complaints that have been filed with the County Attorney's Office. (Lapham)

- 11) Consider approval to disburse a \$40,000 appropriation of ARPA funds to CCWSCD to support clean water efforts by the district. (Burns, Lapham)
- 12) Consider hiring Martin Herrick as a probationary Environmental Services Director, D61 (exempt) Step 4 effective 12/20/2021. (Kruger)
- 13) Consider approval of the Summit proposal for the replacement of the existing fire alarm panel, smoke detectors, heat detectors, horn strobes, and pull stations and the associated Inspection Service Agreement. (Kruger)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

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

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT

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REMINDERS