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HOUSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BOARD MEETING

9:00, February 18, 2025, County Board Room 222, Historic Courthouse

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVE AGENDA

APPROVE PREVIOUS MINUTES

- Board Meeting February 4, 2025
- Workgroup Session February 11, 2025

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPOINTMENTS

9:05 a.m. Presentation regarding proposed spongy moth treatments in Houston County during the summer of 2025. (MDA)

9:20 a.m. Erik Sievers Executive Director HVMHC – program overview. (Pugleasa)

9:35 a.m. Review Cash and Investments thru December 31, 2024. (Heberlein)

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) Hire Brent Parker as a 1.0 FTE Human Resources Officer (D61, step 2) effective _____, conditioned upon successful completion of a background check. (Diersen)
- 2) Hire Hannah Jaster as a 1.0 FTE Registered Nurse (C41, step 2) effective March 17, 2025, conditioned upon successful completion of a background check. (Diersen)

- 3) Hire McKinley Sisson as a 1.0 FTE Jailer Dispatcher (B23, step 1), upon successful completion of psych/physical/background checks (official hire date is pending). (Diersen)
- 4) Hire Randy Dobbs as a 67-day, temporary/casual Transport Officer at \$20.33/hr., upon successful completion of physical/background check (official hire date is pending). (Diersen)

ACTION ITEMS

- 1) Consider hiring Daniel Coogan as a 1.0 FTE Assistant County Attorney (D62, step 2) effective April 1, 2025, conditioned upon successful completion of a background check; reinstate the vacation accrual rate Mr. Coogan was earning when he left County employment on 8/14/2021; and restore Mr. Coogan's unused sick leave balance with the understanding that these hours will not count toward any future payouts. (Diersen)
- 2) Consider action to dissolve Water Planning Committee. (Meiners)
- 3) Consider approving 2025 Hiawatha Valley Mental Health Center HVMHC contract and rates for adult and children's mental health services. (Pugleasa)
- 4) Consider approving SE AMHI agreement. SE AMHI (previously known as CREST) is a regional collaborative in SE MN that coordinates adult mental health services in the region. This is a two year agreement funded by a state grant. (Pugleasa)
- 5) Consider approving SE AMHI By-laws. (Related to SE AMHI Cooperative Agreement.) (Pugleasa)
- 6) Consider approving the 2025 SEMCAC contract for Transportation services. (Pugleasa)
- 7) Consider accepting the resignation of Dayna Burtness from the Economic Development Authority (EDA) Board of Directors. Thank her for her many years of service to Houston County serving on the EDA board. (Wagner)
- 8) Consider appointing Sandra Solum to the EDA Board effective 2/18/2025 (three year term). (Wagner)
- 9) Discuss, revise, and approve the 2025 Committee List with possible changes to the per diem schedule. (Lapham)
- 10) Discussion and possible action regarding County Recorder position. (Lapham)
- 11) Consider reviewing and approving payments. (Lapham)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

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

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT

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REMINDERS