

WAPELLO COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS

DATE: 3-8-2011

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Jerry L. Parker, Chair; Steve Siegel, Vice Chair; Greg Kenning, Supervisor; Kurt Baker, Conservation Director; Don Kirkendall, Sheriff; Kelly Spurgeon, Auditor; Joyce Hass, Recorder; Dianne Kiefer, Treasurer; Jonathan Riveness; Pam Norton, Auditor's Clerk.

Chair Parker called the meeting to order. Supervisor Kenning moved, seconded by Vice Chair Siegel to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Siegel moved, seconded by Supervisor Kenning to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2011 Board meeting. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR RESOLUTION #786-2011 WAPELLO COUNTY BUDGET 2011-2012. No written comments were received. No comments from the public were heard.

Chair Parker gave highlights of the budget. He said compared to the current budget, the urban rate was reduced by 31 cents per thousand, the county-wide rate goes down about 40 cents per thousand. He said there are no layoffs and no measurable cuts in service and if it weren't for I-JOBS, the budget would be about the same. This is for the new bridge at Chillicothe. Also, they are creating a new GIS department starting in May or June, creating a decrease in the budget. He said this is two years in a row there's no taxing increase for the county, and next year we'll pay less in taxes than this year.

Vice Chair Siegel said they absorbed a couple of other large costs. He said the increase in IPERS contribution by the employer and the Law Center utilities are back in the general fund, not maintenance fund, now paying for utilities with taxes. He said we've eaten into our fund balances somewhat, but optimistic they will increase.

Supervisor Kenning thanked the department heads for all the work on their budgets and giving them what they could work with. He's hopeful that we're through our budgetary crisis with unemployment figures now under 7%, last year's being around 10%.

Hearing no further comments, Supervisor Kenning moved to close the public hearing. Vice Chair Siegel seconded. Motion carried.

Supervisor Kenning moved, seconded by Vice Chair Siegel to approve Resolution #786-2011 adoption of budget and certification of taxes for fiscal year July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Siegel moved, seconded by Supervisor Kenning to approve a liquor license for D's Eldon Y Co., 4118 Hwy 34E, Agency, Iowa. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Siegel moved, seconded by Supervisor Kenning to approve a change of employment for Emily Tuller from Clerk II to full-time Clerk III in the County Attorney's office, change date 3-14-2011 at an hourly rate of \$13.86. Motion carried.

County claims in the amount of \$300,880.47 and payroll in the amount of \$328,932.80 were approved.

5:40 p.m. Supervisor Kenning moved, seconded by Vice Chair Siegel to adjourn. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Kelly Spurgeon
Wapello County Auditor

Jerry L. Parker, Chair
Board of Supervisors