

Board of Equalization did not meet.

Board of Commissioners

Emergency Manager Nic Kemnitz reported on the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency audit of equipment purchased with DHS grants 2005 and 2006 LETPP grants and the 2005 SHSP grant. A physical audit of equipment purchased with grant money was completed. A return visit is planned to check on NIMS certificates.

A search and rescue exercise is planned for the evening of September 8th in Winside.

Noxious Weed Superintendent Marlin Schuttler expressed his concerns with cutting the Weed Superintendent position to part-time. Schuttler offered to assist with other projects when time permitted.

The board discussed its proposal to cut the working hours of the Veterans Service Officer and Noxious Weed Superintendent positions. Testimony from the Veterans Service Board and the Noxious Weed Board was previously received. The consensus was not to make any changes at this time. Wurdeman recommended the board review the positions again in December.

Motion by Burbach, second by Wurdeman to approve the addition of securities Cusip #3133XWUJ6, the withdrawal of Cusip #3133RXX3, and the substitution of Cusip #3133XWUJ6 as presented by Farmers & Merchants State Bank of Wayne. Roll call vote: Wurdeman-aye, Burbach-aye, Rabe-aye; motion carried.

County office personal property inventories for 2010 were reviewed and approved.

Motion by Burbach, second by Wurdeman to approve Resolution No. 10-20. Roll call vote: Burbach-aye, Wurdeman-aye, Rabe-aye; motion carried.

Resolution No. 10-20: WHEREAS, the County of Wayne is the owner and holder of Certificates of Tax Sale No. 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 and 40 parcels of real estate, issued to the County of Wayne for all delinquent and regular taxes thereon, and which having been regularly advertised and offered for sale at tax sale and remaining unsold for want of bidders, was sold to the County of Wayne, and Certificates of Tax Sales No. 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 and 40 issued thereon under the provisions of Section 77-1809 (Reissue 2003), and

WHEREAS, more than three (3) years have elapsed since the issuance of such respective certificates of tax sale and by reason thereof the right of redemption of the owners or claimants of such respective tracts has expired and less than six months has elapsed since the right of redemption expired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Michael E. Pieper, Wayne County Attorney be and he is hereby directed, as promptly under the circumstances as is reasonably possible so to do, to institute action to foreclose the lien of all taxes delinquent, whether regular or special, on all real estate within Wayne County, Nebraska, which, having been heretofore advertised and offered for sale and remaining unsold for want of bidders, was sold to the County of Wayne and Certificate of Tax Sales No. 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 and 40 issued thereon.

The resignation of Wayne County Highway Superintendent Elizabeth Carlson was accepted.

The board will not be making any decisions on filling the Highway Superintendent vacancy until after the first of the year. Motion by Rabe, second by Burbach to appoint Wurdeman as a liaison to the Nebraska Department of Roads. Roll call vote: Rabe-aye, Burbach-aye, Wurdeman-aye; motion carried.

Approval of a Title VI Nondiscrimination Agreement with the Nebraska Department of Roads submitted at the July 6th meeting was discussed. The appointment of a Title VI Coordinator for initiating and monitoring activities and preparing reports needed to be made. Motion by Burbach, second by Rabe to appoint Wurdeman as the Title VI Coordinator for Wayne County, and to approve the

Title VI Nondiscrimination Agreement. Roll call vote: Burbach-aye, Rabe-aye, Wurdeman-aye; motion carried.

Motion by Wurdeman, second by Burbach to authorize the Chairman to sign right of way easements for Project C008400205, 846th Road, Mile 559, 1.5 miles south and 1.3 miles west of Hoskins. Roll call vote: Wurdeman-aye, Burbach-aye, Rabe-aye; motion carried.

An application submitted by Russell Longe to place electric line in county road right of way was approved on motion by Wurdeman, second by Burbach. Roll call vote: Wurdeman-aye, Burbach-aye, Rabe-aye; motion carried.

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A public hearing for the purpose of hearing taxpayer support, opposition or observations relating to the proposed 2010-2011 budget convened at 1:57 p.m.

Those in attendance included Chairman Rabe, Members Wurdeman and Burbach, and Clerk Finn. Also in attendance was Michael Carnes of the Wayne Herald.

Advance notice of this hearing was published in the Wayne Herald, a legal newspaper, on August 26, 2010.

The 2010-11 budget was discussed with the following points noted:

- Beginning cash balance this fiscal year is \$468,000 less than in 2009.
- Several road/bridge projects are scheduled but they will have to be paid for with local funds; soft-match credit will be earned.
- \$75,000 in tax dollars will be applied to the courthouse tuck pointing/roof and the court services building bond payments.
- \$100,000 will be transferred from Inheritance Tax to balance the budget.
- The total budget is \$10,159,457.83; the total tax dollar request is \$3,517,870.24

The hearing closed at 2:35 p.m.

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A public hearing for the purpose of hearing taxpayer support, opposition or observations relating to setting the final tax request at a different amount than the 2009 request convened at 2:35 p.m.

Those in attendance included Chairman Rabe, Members Wurdeman and Burbach, and Clerk Finn. Also in attendance was Michael Carnes of the Wayne Herald.

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The following points were noted:

- The 2010 tax dollar request is \$3,517,870.24
- The 2010 valuation is \$1,011,907,272
- The 2010 tax rate request is .347352

The hearing closed at 3:07 p.m.

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The cost of repairing flood damage to roads and bridges was a concern. It was also noted that the county had just received notice from the Department of Roads to close a sixth bridge. A decision was made to amend the proposed budget and increase the tax dollar request by \$100,000. The total tax dollar request would be \$3,617,870.24. The 2010 tax rate would be .357530.

Motion by Burbach, second by Wurdeman to approve a 1% increase in restricted funds. Roll call vote: Burbach-aye, Wurdeman-aye, Rabe-aye; motion carried.

Motion by Wurdeman, second by Burbach to approve Resolution No. 10-21. Roll call vote: Wurdeman-aye, Burbach-aye, Rabe-aye; motion carried.

Resolution No. 10-21: WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that the property tax request for the prior year shall be the property tax request for the current year for purposes of the levy set by the County Board of Equalization unless the Governing Body of Wayne

County passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request at a different amount; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of Wayne County that the property tax request for the current year be a different amount than the property tax request for the prior year.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of Wayne County, by a majority vote, resolves that the 2010-2011 property tax request be set at \$3,617,870.24.

Motion by Wurdeman, second by Burbach to approve Resolution No. 10-22. Roll call vote: Wurdeman-aye, Burbach-aye, Rabe-aye; motion carried.

Resolution No. 10-22: WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the County Board on the 7th day of September 2010;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Wayne County Board of Commissioners as follows:

SECTION 1. That the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 as categorically evidenced by the budget document is, and the same hereby, is adopted as the budget for Wayne County for said fiscal year.

SECTION 2. That the offices, departments, activities, and institutions herein named are hereby authorized to expend the amounts herein appropriated to them during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

SECTION 3. That the income necessary to finance the appropriations made and expenditures authorized shall be provided out of the unencumbered cash balance in each fund, revenues other than taxation to be collected during the fiscal year in each fund, and tax levy requirements for each fund.

SECTION 4. The tax requests for 2010-2011 are approved as follows: General Fund - \$3,536,864.92, Veterans Aid - \$915.39, County Improvement - \$ 80,089.93, Total - \$3,617,870.24.

The meeting was adjourned.