

## **COUNTY OFFICES COMMITTEE - Mr. Marty Koster, Chair**

The County Offices Committee meeting was held in the Board Room at the Law Enforcement Center on May 2, 2022 at 2:30 PM. Members present were Marty Koster, Brooke Pearson, Ernest Smith and Tom Witmer. Others present were Jim Duffy, Sue Britt (via teleconference) Robin Brands, Chris Tennyson, Joel Horn, and Lori Keppen. There was no public comment.

1. The April 2022 claims and the budget status report were reviewed. A motion was made by Brooke Pearson to approve the claims. Ernest Smith seconded the motion. All voted ayes. Motion carried.
2. After 41 years of service, Recorder Dawn Young will be retiring at the end of this year. Dawn Young is recommending her Chief Deputy, Kendra Kophamer as her replacement.

Currently, the office staff in the Recorder's office is two full time employees. The Board had allowed the Recorder office to employ two full time and one part time employee. Dawn Young is now requesting the committee allow her to hire a full time employee to be trained the next few months so when her replacement took over there would not be a shortage in the office. After discussion, Tom Witmer made a motion recommending the Executive Committee temporary increase the Recorder's office staff to three full time employees. Brooke Pearson seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

3. Supervisor of Assessments:
  - a. Robin Brands and the committee discussed Public Act 102-0175 "preferential assessment for affordable rental housing construction or rehabilitation". Tom Witmer made a motion the County board opt out of Public Act 102-0175. Ernest Smith seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried. (See #24-26)

### **MOTION: To adopt the Resolution to opt out of Public Act 102-0175, as presented.**

- b. The Certification of 2023 Farmland Values was reviewed by Assessor Robin Brands (See #27-29).
  - c. Robin Brands advised the GIS sales for 03/30/22 – 04/30/22 were \$1850.40.
4. Regional Office of Education:
  - a. Chris Tennyson, ROE Superintendent presented the monthly report (See #30-35).

There being no objections, Marty Koster adjourned the meeting at 3:16 PM.

Meeting Date: The next regular meeting – June 6, 2022 at 2:30 PM, County Board Room

### **MOTION: To place on file the County Offices Committee's meeting report, April 2022 claim reports and related informational items, as presented.**