October 8, 2018

The Taylor County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with Doug Horton, Jerry Murphy, Charles Ambrose, and Auditor Bethany Murphy present.

Horton made a motion seconded by Murphy to approve the minutes of last meeting and today’s agenda. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board discussed HR consultants. Ambrose made a motion seconded by Murphy to hire Jack Reed with Iowa Negotiation & Consulting Services for $800.00 per month as an HR Consultant. Motion carried 3-0.

Murphy made a motion seconded by Ambrose to approve Resolution 2019-12 transferring $67,785.58 to Secondary Roads funds this transfer includes $20,344.96 of Local Option Sales and Service Tax. Motion carried 3-0.

Horton made a motion seconded by Murphy to approve a payment of $600.00 to Wellmark to have our EOB’s sent to Secure Benefits. Motion carried 3-0. This is a fee of the new self-funded health insurance plan.

Randy Peterman and Jim Rowe presented bids for the trucks to the Board. Bids are for the chassis only, and all are for 2020-year models. The county received 3 bids. The bid for the Mack is $122,994.00 the bid for the International is $112,850.00 the bid for the Freightliner was $99,489.00. They also presented the bids for a truck box from Henderson Products Inc. for $85,400.00. Ambrose made a motion seconded by Murphy to purchase the Freightliner truck for $99,489.00 and the truck box from Henderson Products for $85,400.00 for a total cost of $184,889.00. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board visited with Jordan Walston of Walston Concrete who received the bid for the concrete work at the Courthouse. The work was to be done by October 15, but with the weather and now all the mud the Board doesn’t want the yard all torn up. The Board would like Walston to try to get the project completed by November if the weather would cooperate, if not they agreed to put it off until spring 2019.

The county received a bill from Matura for $24,000.00 the county usually pays Matura $14,000.00 to help pay for services Matura provides to Taylor County. Matura didn’t have the funds to keep the center open all the time and pay the staff. Matura found a grant that would pay for the part time help, which Taylor County had been paying, but are now paid by the grant Matura found to keep them employed and the center open on the regular schedule. Matura would like the county to reallocate $10,000.00 that was budgeted to pay the part time workers to keep the center fully staffed. The Board agreed this would be a good option as it will save some tax dollars, as the part time help budget was higher than $10,000.00 and the county would also be saving FICA and IPERS funds that had been budgeted. The Board agreed to give Matura an extra $10,000.00 that was budgeted for the part time help.

Sheriff, Josh Weed stopped in to talk with the Board on the School Resource Officer. The school would be willing to come up with 50% of a salary and benefits of the officer. The Board is unsure on if it was needed on a full-time basis; they believe that our current officers could make random checks. The Board would like hard numbers and information on if an officer would need additional training to serve
as a resource officer. As of now the only school that had been consulted has been Bedford, the Board would like to hear from the Lenox School as well.

No further business came before the Board at this time, and the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

Attest:
Doug Horton, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors
Bethany Murphy, Taylor County Auditor