

ELLSWORTH COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

November 28, 2022

The Board of Ellsworth County Commissioners convened this 28th day of November 2022 at the Ellsworth County Courthouse.

Members Present:

Dennis L. Rolfs, 1st District Commissioner

Gregory C. Bender, 2nd District Commissioner

Stephen S. Dlabal, Jr, 3rd District Commissioner

OPENING BUSINESS:

Chairman Bender called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Bender moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Rolfs moved to approve the Minutes of November 21, 2022. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

No one was present for the public forum.

APPOINTMENTS:

Jim Kirkbride, Ellsworth County Medical Center, CEO, stated that the hospital is seeing some COVID but the stomach virus and strep are mostly what they are seeing going around the community. The master facility plan is finished. Mr. Kirkbride said he would present it to them on December 27, 2022. The finances are not looking great. The board will have a discussion about the finances and get back to the commissioners next month.

Stacie Schmidt, Ellsworth County Economic Development Director, requested a 5% administration fee for the LETCF. Commissioner Bender made a motion to pay a 5% administration fee for the LETCF funding. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Murray Marston, Ellsworth County Sheriff, said the valve needed to fix the hot water was in but they are still waiting on parts, so the east side of building does not have hot water. Sheriff Marston discussed his need for new vehicles. A deputy involved in a crash was in a new patrol automobile that only had 4800 miles on it. Commissioner Bender made a motion to purchase two Dodge Durangos next year at approximately \$100,000 contingent on salvageable

equipment out of the 2022 funds. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Bender adjourned the meeting at 10:23 a.m.

Shelly D. Vopat, County Clerk

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