

Dewitt County Board Meeting
Oct 24, 2019
6:00pm

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Chairman Newberg.

Roll was answered by: Ennis, Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Newberg, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Absent member Ritter.

To Dana Smith

You are hereby directed to call a meeting of the Dewitt County Board. The purpose of said meeting is to conduct the business of the County.

Motion by Tilley second by Houser to approve County Board Minutes from September 2019. Aye Ennis, Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Newberg, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Motion carried.

Mr. Newberg informed the board the agenda item for a substitute Zoning Administrator for Alta Farms was removed from the agenda.

Rebecca Fatheree spoke to the board in Support of innovation. Residents of the County should look long term. Where will we be if no power plant. This is a no brainer. People need to think far down the road about this. Fatheree supports the Wind Energy project.

Motion by Newberg second by Wickenhauser to appoint Melissa Armstrong to the Meritt Commission board to fill the unexpired term of Karen Meadows with term set to expire in 2023. Aye: Ennis, Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Newberg, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Motion carried.

Motion by Newberg second by Ferguson to approve Resolution 2015-56. Property 07-26-304-008. Aye: Ennis, Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Newberg, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Motion carried.

Motion by Ferguson second by Reece to allow the sale of recreational cannabis in the unincorporated areas of the county.

Motion by Ferguson second by Pruser to table Motion to allow the sale of recreational cannabis in the unincorporated areas of the county. Aye: Ennis, Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Newberg, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Motion carried.

Motion by Ferguson second by Pruser to approve S-249-2019. Andrew Newberg, as Applicant has requested a Special Use Permit for an expansion for additional boat and storage units. Aye: Ennis, Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Abstain Newberg. Motion carried

Motion by Nimmo second by Pruser to accept the bid from King Lar to replace the pneumatic controls to electronic controls in the county building for \$82,200.00. Aye: Ennis, Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Newberg, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Motion carried.

Motion by Redman second by Tilley to pay all bills. Aye: Ennis, Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Newberg, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Motion carried.

Motion by Redman second by Ferguson to place 2020 County budget/Levies on file. Aye: Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Newberg, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Nay: Ennis Motion carried

Motion by Redman second by Pruser to approve Lars Dunn as independent public defender beginning Dec 1, 2019. Aye: Ennis, Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Newberg, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Motion carried

Motion by Redman second by Wickenhauser to approve Kevin Hammer as independent public defender beginning Dec 1, 2019. Ending Nov 30, 2020. Aye: Ennis, Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Newberg, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Motion carried.

Motion by Redman second by Tilley to approve resolution of the States Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor. Aye: Ennis, Ferguson, Houser, Matthews, Newberg, Nimmo, Pruser, Redman, Reece, Tilley, Wickenhauser. Motion carried.

Newberg announced Truth and Taxation hearing will be On Thursday Nov 21st at 5:30pm.

Newberg announced Special meeting of the County Board to adopt budget/Levy will be Nov 25th at 5:00pm.

Motion by Tilley second by Pruser to adjourn at 6:37pm with all in favor.