

CONFERENCE BOARD MEETING

02/08/2024

The Cedar County Conference Board met on Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 6:00 a.m. in the Assessor's Office at the Cedar County Courthouse. Chairman Bell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present. Those present were:

Supervisors: Jon Bell, Mike Bixler and Brad Gaul

Mayors: Joe Sparks (Bennett), Roger Laughlin (West Branch) and Tammi Goerdts (Tipton)

Board of Education: Katy Oberlander (Durant)

Others: Assessor Dauber

Chairman Bell asked if there were any public comments. No public response.

Moved by Sparks seconded by Laughlin to approve the minutes from November 2, 2023.

Ayes: All

Bell informed the board that John Dornfeld resigned on the Board of Review Board. Assessor Dauber requested members to ponder a replacement and email her the candidate's name.

Assessor Dauber proposed increasing the compensation for the Board of Review members. Currently they receive \$150.00 for a day and \$75.00 for a half of a day. Dauber mentioned some of the members have full time employment and she just wanted to provide a little extra to retain the current members.

Motion by Laughlin seconded by Sparks to approve the increase in the Board of Review compensation from \$150.00 a day to \$200.00 and for a half of a day from \$75.00 to \$100.00.

Ayes: All

Assessor Dauber provided an update on the office. Currently the office has a Clerk and Assessor. Dauber anticipates hiring one person sometime this year. Discussion was held. Dauber informed the board she will be hiring Griggs to assist during the month of April with phone calls. Discussion was held regarding the compensation will be based on the work performed.

Moved by Bixler seconded by Gaul to allow Dauber to hire Griggs part time to assist in the office.

Ayes: All


Assessor Dauber presented the FY24/25 budget to the members. Dauber stated she originally was requesting a \$5,000 annual increase, although due to the budget restraints the county is experiencing, she will remove that amount from her budget with no increase in wages to support the morale of other county employees. Other topics of discussion were replacing the county car and designating monies for a future reappraisal project.


Moved by Sparks seconded by Goerdts to set the public hearing for the proposed budget on February 27, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. in the Assessor's Office.

Ayes: All

Motion by Sparks seconded by Laughlin to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

Ayes: All


Jon Bell, Chairman


Cari Dauber, Assessor