

August 31, 2023

The Stanton County Board of Commissioners met in Special session August 31, 2023. Present were Commissioners Chris Floyd, Lonnie Brown and John Smith, County Attorney Clint Floyd, and County Clerk Sandy Barton. Chairman Floyd called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

The meeting was moved to the basement of the courthouse and reconvened at 8:00 a.m.

Additional attendees were Hospital Trustees Doug Daniels, Gary Kendrick, Megan Williamson, Colleen Wenman and Robyn Kempke, CEO Camille Davidson, CFO Rhonda Wild, several hospital personnel and community members.

A discuss was held concerning the decreased funding of the hospital and LTCU. The Hospital is proposing a 22 mill levy each year for the next 10 years to be placed on the November 7 General Election ballot.

The new hospital Administration, is concerned with keeping current employees, cutting costs, and keeping the LTCU open.

If the new Medicaid expansion is passed, it could generate additional revenue. Trustees and Administration are looking into applying for additional grant revenue as well. A maintenance plan is being set into motion for large ticket items and preventative maintenance items.

The Commissioners proposed the Trustees look at a lesser mill levy for a three years' time to give the new Administration time to transition under the new leadership.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 a.m. The Commissioners reconvened to the Boardroom.

Commissioner Brown moved to enter executive session at 9:18 a.m. for personnel exception for 15 minutes with the Board, County Attorney, County Clerk and Maintenance Director Gerardo Suarez present, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried 3-0. Session ended at 9:33 a.m. with no action taken. Commissioner Smith moved to enter executive session at 9:38 a.m. for personnel exception for 20 minutes with Billy Bearce joining the session, seconded by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried 3-0. Session ended at 9:58 a.m. with no action taken.

County Clerk Sandy Barton present 2 bids from Hart Electric Heat & Air Conditioning for the 4-H building:
Rheem 4-ton 240-volt single phase condenser for \$6,700.00.
Aire Force 4-ton 240-volt single phase condenser for \$6,500.00.
Commissioner Smith moved to accept the bid for the Rheem unit, seconded by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Floyd adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

ATTEST:
Sandy Barton

SIGN:
Chris Floyd