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Called Meeting

August 18th, 2022

9:00 A.M.

A called meeting was held at the Baker County Courthouse on August 18th, 2022 to review and adopt the millage rate certification for tax year 2022. In attendance was Chair Connie Hobbs, Vice Chair Vann Irvin, Commissioners Rentz, Bryan, and County Manager Randy Johnson. Commissioner Chris Moore was not in attendance.

Chair Hobbs called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M., and opened the meeting in prayer.

Chair Hobbs advised there were no speaker requests submitted for the meeting.

Chair Hobbs asked the Commissioners to review the agenda for adoption with the addition of discussion of applying for U.S.D.A. grants to purchase Communications Equipment for the Sheriff's Department, and a Limb Trimmer for the Road Department. Commissioner Bryant made a motion to adopt the agenda with the addition, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Rentz. With all Commissioners in favor, the motion carried.

Chair Hobbs discussed the current status of the Communications used by the Sheriff's Department. The equipment is no longer supported by Motorola Corporation for parts or repair because it is more than ten years out of date and in poor condition. Chair Hobbs discussed the current status of the Road



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Departments Limb Trimming machine. The machine is continuously out of service and has recently been costly to repair. Chair Hobbs advised the Commissioners that the applications with U.S.D.A. could be a grant or a loan/grant depending upon the costs of each. Chair Hobbs asked for a motion to apply for these two USDA grants. Commissioner Bryan made a motion with Commissioner Rentz to approve. With all Commissioners in favor, the motion carried.

Chair Hobbs then reviewed the 2022 millage rate certification with the Commissioners. Chair Hobbs presented Resolution number 2022-0818A, a resolution to set an annual ad valorem Levy. Upon review, Chair Hobbs called for a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioner Bryan made a motion to adopt the resolution, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Rentz. With all Commissioners in favor, the motion carried.

Chair Hobbs presented to the Commissioners for review, a letter of resignation from Mr. Al Mathis, a member of the Board of Tax Assessors. Chair Hobbs reminded the Commissioners that they must appoint someone to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Mathis. Vice Chair Irvin made a recommendation to appoint Mr. Robert E. Rish, Jr to the vacancy. Chair Hobbs presented Resolution number 2022-0818B to appoint Mr. Robert E. Rish, Jr. to the Board of Tax Assessors and called for a motion to approve. Commissioner Rentz made a motion to approve the resolution, and was seconded by Vice Chair Irvin. With all Commissioners in favor, the motion carried.

With no further business before the Board, Chair Hobbs called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Rentz made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and was seconded by Vice Chair Irvin. With all Commissioners in favor, the motion carried.



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September 6th, 2022

Attest:

Randy Johnson, County Clerk

Connie Hobbs, Chairman

Vann Irvin, Vice Chairman

Tommy Rentz, Commissioner

Chris Moore, Commissioner

Matt Bryan, Commissioner

