

The Jones County Conference Board met in the Community Room of the Jones County Courthouse, Anamosa, Iowa on February 24, 2021. There was an option to attend the meeting over Zoom as well. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Oswald at 6:00 p.m.

Members present were:

Board of Education - Carl Chalstrom, Katalin Rushford (both via Zoom) and Amanda Brenneman (in-person)

Mayors – Steve Agnitsch, Brian Wolken, Russ Benke, Kristina Stevenson (all via Zoom) and Rod Smith (in-person)

Supervisors – Jon Zirkelbach (via Zoom), Joe Oswald and Ned Rohwedder (in-person)

Also present: Sarah Benter

It was moved by Brenneman, seconded by Stevenson to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

The vote was: Board of Education – Ayes 3 Nays 0

Mayors - Ayes 5 Nays 0

Supervisors - Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion carried.

Moved by Rohwedder, seconded by Smith to open the public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2022 Assessment Expense Budget.

The vote was: Board of Education – Ayes 3 Nays 0

Mayors - Ayes 5 Nays 0

Supervisors - Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion carried.

No objectors were present to the 2021/2022 Assessment Expense Budget. It was then moved by Rohwedder, seconded by Brenneman to close the public hearing on the budget.

The vote was: Board of Education – Ayes 3 Nays 0

Mayors - Ayes 5 Nays 0

Supervisors - Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion carried.

The motion was made by Wolken and seconded by Zirkelbach to reduce the proposed salaries from a 6% increase, plus applicable step increases, to a 4.8% increase, plus applicable step increases. This motion was made to follow the Jones County Board of Supervisors action to reduce the Jones County Compensation Board's recommendation for elected officials by 20%, excluding the Jones County Board of Supervisors.

The vote was: Board of Education – Ayes 3 Nays 0

Mayors - Ayes 5 Nays 0

Supervisors - Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion carried.

It was then moved by Chalstrom, seconded by Smith to adopt the amended 2021/2022 Assessment Expense Budget. This set the salary for the county assessor at \$78,464, the salary for the chief deputy assessor at \$64,340 and \$112,203 for the remaining office staff. This set the total assessment expenditures budget for 2021/2022 at \$516,128.

The vote was: Board of Education – Ayes 3 Nays 0

Mayors - Ayes 5 Nays 0

Supervisors - Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion carried.

There being no further business, it was moved by Rohwedder and seconded by Chalstrom to adjourn the meeting.

The vote was: Board of Education – Ayes 3 Nays 0

Mayors - Ayes 5 Nays 0

Supervisors - Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion carried.

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Clerk of the Jones County Conference Board

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Chairman of the Jones County Conference Board