

MAHASKA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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Mahaska County EM Commission Meeting Minutes

The Mahaska County EM Commission met on Tuesday, January 21st, 2025, at the Conservation Complex located at 2342 Hwy 92, Oskaloosa, Iowa 52577.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Van Renterghem at 6:08 P.M.

Members Attending:

Jeff Innis (phone), Marcia Slycord, Doug Greenlee, Keri Lamberson, Tom Van Der Veer, Kim Sytsma, and Russ Van Renterghem.

Non-Members: Josh Stevens, Cheryl Eklofe

Approve the current agenda

- **Motion by Greenlee to approve the agenda, seconded by Slycord, all in favor, motion carried.**

Approve meeting minutes from the November 27th, 2024 meeting

- **Motion by Van Der Veer to approve the minutes, seconded by Slycord, all in favor, motion carried.**

Public Comments - None

2025-2026 Budget Discussion

- Josh presented information to the Commission regarding the proposed budget for 2025- 2026. Josh provided information regarding changes from the previous year and potentially using carryover funds to reduce the new tax ask amount. Commission members expressed interest in using more of the carryover balance to reduce the amount of taxes needed for the proposed budget. Members agreed to reduce the amount of new taxes requested to \$200,000 for the 2025-2026 budget. **A motion was made by Greenlee to approve the proposed budget as amended, seconded by Lamberson, all in favor, motion carried.**

Set the date for EMA 2025-2026 Budget Public Hearing

- Members discussed potential dates for the public hearing. EMA is required to have it's budget certified no later than February 28th each year. **A motion was made by Lamberson to set the date for the public hearing for February 11th at 6:00 P.M., seconded by Van Der Veer, all in favor, motion carried.** Josh will send out location information if a change is needed ASAP.

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Claims Review

- Members took time to review the claims that were paid since the last meeting.

EMA Activities Update

- Josh provided additional details about activities and items that are underway.

Public Comments – None

Next Meeting

- February 11th at 6:00 P.M. Location to be sent out after checking meeting space availability. This will be the public hearing for the 2025-2026 EM budget.

Adjourn

- **Van Der Veer motioned to adjourn, Sytsma seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried, meeting adjourned.**