

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF NOBLES COUNTY,  
MINNESOTA**

**2020 PROPOSED COUNTY BUDGET AND TAX LEVY PUBLIC MEETING**

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS of Nobles County met in special session on Tuesday, December 03, 2019, in the Commissioners Room, at the Nobles County Government Center, Worthington, Minnesota. The following Commissioners were in attendance: Justin Ahlers, Gene Metz, Matt Widboom, Robert S. Demuth and Donald Linssen.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Widboom at 6:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1.0 Call to Order**

**2.0 Pledge of Allegiance**

**3.0 Introductions**

Chairperson Widboom asked for introductions, Don Linssen, Commissioner District 5; Robert Demuth Jr., Commissioner District 4; Matt Widboom, Commissioner District 3; Gene Metz, Commissioner District 2; Justin Ahlers, Commissioner District 1; Joseph Sanow, Nobles County Attorney; Tom Johnson, Nobles County Administrator; Allison Heidebrink, Nobles County Administrative Assistant; Steve Schnieder, Nobles County Public Works Director; Thelma Yager, Nobles County Recorder; Valerie Ruesch, Nobles County Assessor; Sue Luing, Human Resource Director; Joyce Jacobs, Nobles County Auditor/Treasurer; Bruce Heitkamp, Nobles County Deputy Administrator/Emergency Manager; Julie Buntjer, The Globe were in attendance.

**4.0 Presentation**

Tom Johnson, County Administrator, provided an overview of the 2020 budget process and major factors contributing to changes in the budget and tax levy.

**4.0 (A) Motion to open public comment**

**VOTING**

It was duly passed to open the public comment portion of the meeting.

Moved by: Ahlers, Justin

Seconded by: Metz, Gene

Public comment was received by Dale Martin. His questions were; what percentage do Nobles County employees contribute towards their insurance premiums and is the WELL project included in the 2020 budget. Both Mr. Johnson and Ms. Luing answered Mr. Martin's questions. No other comments were received.

**4.0 (B) Motion to close public comment**

**VOTING**

It was duly passed to close the public comment portion of the meeting.

Moved by: Linssen, Donald

Seconded by: Demuth, Robert S.

**4.0 (C) Discussion by County Board**

Commissioner Demuth extended his gratitude to the Budget Committee for their time spent and hard work.

Commissioner Widboom extended his thanks to the Nobles County employees.  
Administrator Johnson extended his thanks to the Finance department on their hard work.

**5.0 Final adoption date of the 2019 County Budget**

Chairperson Widboom announced the Board will meet Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. to consider adoption of the levy for 2020.

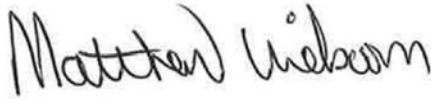
**6.0 Adjournment**

**VOTING**

It was duly passed to adjourn the public meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Moved by: Ahlers, Justin

Seconded by: Metz, Gene



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(Chairperson)



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(County Administrator)