

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

2019 PROPOSED COUNTY BUDGET AND TAX LEVY PUBLIC MEETING

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS of Nobles County met in special session on Thursday, December 06, 2018, 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 Demuth at 6:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
Chairperson Demuth introduced the Board of Commissioners, members of the Budget Committee and addressed the following Department Heads in attendance: Tom Johnson, County Administrator; Joyce Jacobs, Emergency Management Director; Stephen Schnieder, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Jerry Vyskocil, Finance Director; Val Ruesch, County Assessor; Stacie Golombiecki, Community Services Director; Kris Ray, County Auditor-Treasurer; Sue Luing, Human Resources Director; and Kathleen Kusz, County Attorney. One person from the Media (newspaper) was in attendance. Chairperson Demuth explained the purpose of the informational meeting is to improve the transparency of the County's budget process and encourage the citizens of Nobles County to participate in the budgeting process of Nobles County, not to discuss individual property taxes. Val Ruesch, County Assessor, stated valuation notices will be sent out in April 2019 and meetings to discuss your value are held the last week of April and the first week of May. Notices of this meeting were mailed out as a part of the preliminary tax statement to each landowner on November 19, 2018 as required by Minnesota Statutes.
3. Presentation
Tom Johnson, County Administrator, provided an overview of the 2019 budget process and major factors contributing to changes in the budget and tax levy.
4. Motion to open public comment
<u>VOTING</u> It was duly passed to open the public comment portion of the meeting. Moved by: Metz, Gene Seconded by: Widboom, Matt
No public comments were received.
5. Motion to close public comment
<u>VOTING</u> It was duly passed to close the public comment portion of the meeting. Moved by: Linssen, Donald Seconded by: Ahlers, Justin
6. Discussion by County Board

Tom Johnson advised, as a member of the Budget Committee, advised there is much consideration given to the budget process which begins in July. Commissioner Demuth extended his gratitude to the Budget Committee.

7. Final adoption date of the 2019 County Budget

Chairperson Demuth announced the Board will meet Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. to consider adoption of the levy for 2019.

8. Adjournment

VOTING

It was duly passed to adjourn the public meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Moved by: Metz, Gene

Seconded by: Ahlers, Justin



(Chairperson)



(County Administrator)