

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE MCHENRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 3, 2016

7:00 PM

Chairman Bergstad called the meeting to order. Commissioners Harry Bergstad, David Medalen, Gregg Boutilier, Bryan Bruner and Larry Haman were present. Also present were numerous landowners throughout the county. A list is on file in the Auditor's office.

The purpose of this special meeting was to hold a public hearing regarding the increase in the county 2017 budget request. Chairman Bergstad explained the revenue shortfall from the State in the form of State Aid. Also, due to legislation combining several levies into the General Fund, carryover balances from those funds were transferred into the General Fund which lowered the amount needed to be levied in the General Fund for the 2015 tax year. The increase in the dollar amount levied is mainly due to less revenue. Examples were given of what the county taxes have been for the past three years on a property valued at \$100,000. (2015 - \$380.48, 2016 - \$325.53, 2017 – \$348.12) It was explained if the proposed budget were to be adopted, the taxes on a parcel valued at \$100,000 would increase \$22.59. Comments were received from the public. The board will take the input under consideration during their regular meeting on October 4th.

At 8:25 PM, there being no further business to come before the board at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Darlene Carpenter, Auditor

Harry Bergstad, Chairman