BENNETT COMMUNITY SCHOOL PROCEEDINGS OF SECOND PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE APRIL 8, 2024

The Bennett Board of Education met for the second public hearing on proposed tax rate in the staff work room of the Bennett Community School, Bennett, IA. President Dani Pratt called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM. Directors Denise McGhee, Chad Giebelstein, Greg Reynolds, and Nicole Wolf answered roll call and a quorum was declared. Also present were Principal Jeremiah Costello, Superintendent Lonnie Luepker, Board Secretary Kylee Yoerger, Karen Rohlf, Susan Stoefen, Juli Miller, Heather Sivia, Teryn Stigers, Stacey Hennings and Kelly Wendel.

Director Giebelstein moved, seconded by Director McGhee to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4/0.

8a: 2nd Public Hearing on initial 2025 Tax Rate. 40.3% of revenue is sourced from property taxes. The tax rate increase mailed out to tax payers is not set, it will be decided upon at tonight's regular board meeting. The decision to increase the budget for benefits and salaries is made to keep quality teachers in our district.

Adjournment: Director Giebelstein moved, seconded by Director McGhee to adjourn the meeting at 7:07PM. Motion carried 4/0.