Board Vice President Matt Bierman called the Board to order at 7:00 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was taken with the following members present: Duncan, Torrance, Adams, Bierman, and La Prad. Board President Myers was present telephonically. Member Thompson was absent.

Mr. Bierman opened the hearing regarding the proposed 2017 tax levy. Dr. Twomey advised a Truth in Taxation hearing was required as the proposed levy shows an increase of more than 5% over last year’s levy. Factors contributing to the increased levy include a 13.41% change in EAV from the previous year due to Pella coming out of the TIF district, an increase in estimated construction, and the request of the hospital to remove property from the tax rolls. Dr. Twomey advised this year’s levy is 10.11% higher than last year, with a capped amount of $14,742,070, totaling approximately $16,002,522 with Bond & Interest added. In response to member La Prad’s question about any possibility of receiving the amount requested in the levy, Dr. Twomey explained the Clerk would figure the amount based on 5% or the CPI, whichever is less, noting that if Pella comes out of the TIF district, the District would also get its portion of the associated tax dollars.

Mr. Bierman asked for further comments and questions from Board members and those in attendance at the meeting. Hearing none, member Adams moved, and member Torrance seconded, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Bierman declared the hearing closed at 7:11 p.m.