Tazewell County Extension Board Committee Meeting
Minutes – August 4, 2021

The August 2021 Tazewell County Extension Board Committee levy request meeting was called to order by Earl Allen, County Extension Director, at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at the Tazewell County Farm Bureau board room in Pekin. Board members present were County Extension Director Earl Allen, and Tazewell County Board members Greg Sinn and Carroll Imig. Also attending was Tazewell County Administrator Wendy Ferrill.

Earl welcomed the participants and thanked everyone for attending.

Minutes from the August 14, 2020 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Greg Sinn and seconded by Carroll Imig to approve the minutes. The motion carried.

Earl presented and reviewed the draft FY23 Fulton-Mason-Peoria-Tazewell Unit Extension budget containing the FY22 Tazewell County Board levy request. The group engaged in a discussion of the Tazewell County board fiscal situation. It was indicated that the Tazewell County Finance Committee was requesting that levy requests come in with no increases initially, but that their might be an opportunity for an increase later in the process. Greg and Carroll indicated they would look into restoring all or part of last year’s reduction to U of I Extension as the process moves forward. Earl requested an FY22 levy amount of $141,300 representing no change from the FY21 request. If a change from this amount occurs at a later time, an addendum to these minutes will be submitted.

A motion was made by Carroll Imig to forward the budget and a $141,300 levy request to the Tazewell County Board Finance Committee. The group supports increasing this amount to restore some or all of last year’s reduction. The motion was seconded by Greg Sinn. The motion carried.

Earl updated the group about recent Extension program activities in Tazewell County and the four county unit.

There being no further business to be brought before the meeting, the group adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Earl Allen, University of Illinois County Extension Director for the Fulton-Mason-Peoria-Tazewell Unit.