The regular meeting of the Iowa County Extension Council was held on February 11, 2014, at the extension office in Williamsburg, Ia. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Russ Collingwood at 6:00 p.m. with the following members attending: Russ Collingwood, Sean Wetjen, Colleen Conrad, Brent Ness, Erin Meyer Absent: Leo Rudolphi, Matt Steinmetz, Brad Glandorf, Joe Semler Others: Gene Mohling, Tricia Stouders

Tricia Stouders shared information on the Intermediate Trip in April; Cattle Fitting Clinic, 3 Clover Kid workshops are filled and will be offered on Williamsburg School early out days (STEM based). Lego League team finished 2nd in the project award area at the state meet. Impact statements were shared. Gene shared the open cattle show fliers from Washington and Johnson County, Fruit Sales, Operation ReLeaf, ag market outlook program on March 11.

Tricia shared information on the 4-H summer intern position; suggested 8 weeks at $10 per hour. Sean Wetjen moved to approve an 8-10 week intern, $10 per hour summer intern position. 2nd by Brent Ness Carried unanimously.

Tricia discussed the STEM camp design for the region. One person to be hired serving all 4 counties for about 8 weeks (2 weeks each). This position would be self-funding through program fees and grants. The position would be based in Iowa County. Brent Ness moved to approve the STEM camp design and hiring one camp person at $10 per hour to implement and lead the camps. 2nd by Colleen Conrad Carried unanimously.

Gene shared the Prexier copier contract that was signed by Russell Collingwood and emailed a week ago to all Council members for comment.

Erin Meyer moved to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2014. 2nd by Colleen Conrad Carried.

A motion to approve the treasurer’s report balance of $105,784.78 in MM, $50 in the Cash Box and $1313.30 in checking was made by Brent Ness. 2nd by Erin Meyer. Carried unanimously.

Brent Ness moved to approve checks 10850--10868 plus EFT’s. 2nd by Colleen Conrad. Carried unanimously.

6:30 P.M. for Public Hearing FY’15
Brent Ness moved to recess the Extension Council Meeting for the public hearing. 2nd by Erin Meyer Carried unanimously.

“This is the time and place set for the public hearing on the Iowa County Extension Budget. The notice of the public hearing did appear in the Marengo Pioneer Republican not more than 20 days and not less than 10 days before the hearing as required by law on January 30, 2014. Are there any objections or comments concerning the budget?” There were no comments.

Brent Ness moved to close the public hearing. 2nd by Erin Meyer. Carried unanimously. Chair reopens recessed meeting.

Brent Ness moved to approve $339,567 total expenses, mil rate of $.2554 and levy funds of $219,000 and tort liability $640 with mill rate of $.00075 for total levy of $219,640 and mil rate of $.25615. Discussion and vote, approved budget cannot exceed these published figures. Record vote by name of Council member. 2nd by Sean Wetjen. All voted yes.

County fair book- fair book printing, same as last year (Home Town Market Place).

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Sean Wetjen **moved to adjourn.**  2<sup>nd</sup> by Brent Ness.   Carried unanimously.

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Erin Meyer, Secretary