

2020 County Levy Meeting

November 4, 2019

2:01 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Jackson, Commissioner Stamper, Commissioner Fund, County Manager Erik Martin, Becky Butler, Assessor Dianne Dorey, Levy and Audit Clerk, Jake Coppock

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Becky Butler and Dianne Dorey said the county has its totals for new construction and state-assessed utilities.

Dianne reviewed preliminary levy limitations for Lewis County's General Fund.

Dianne noted that the figures likely will decrease as destroyed property and senior exemptions are filed.

Commissioner Jackson joined at 2:03 p.m.

Dianne Dorey said the new levy amount available is \$13,542,770.

Dianne said the average tax rate goes up 8 percent to 10 percent annually, no matter what happens with assessed values.

Dianne reviewed preliminary levy limitations for Lewis County Roads.

Dianne said the wind farm increased the county's state-assessed utilities total.

Dianne said the UNFI project pushed the county's new construction totals higher.

Dianne said the county issued 600 permits for new home construction between June 1 and Sept. 30, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.