

**October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 9:02 am by Chairman Heath Hansen. Present at the meeting were Heath Hansen, Doug Sorensen, Rick Thompson, Chassity Musfeldt, Lisa Frederiksen, Gareth (APEX), Miranda Bills, Mitch Rydl, Corey Eberling, Todd Johnson-phone & Bruce Haag-phone.

Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve the meeting minutes of 9-24-24. Vote-all in favor.

Recorder Bills discussed the Armory lease with Supervisors, reminding them that it expires after this month. The reopening date of the Courthouse is currently unknown, but the Supervisors agreed to have Bills propose the idea to the National Guard of extending the Armory lease through January 2025. Bills will check with the National Guard to see if they agree to the extension, but said the Supervisors need to start thinking of a back-up plan just in case.

Public Comment was opened at 9:17 am. Corey Eberling with the APEX Wind Turbine project said they will be providing a lunch for farmers on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Two separate locations will have a food truck from 11-3 for farmers to stop and have a free lunch. Food Truck locations will be in Brayton, and another in Jacksonville.

Motion- Thompson Second- Hansen to approve the meeting minutes of 9-25-24. Vote-all in favor. Sheriff Johnson called in to discuss the coding of the South Entrance handicap door repairs at the Courthouse. The Board inquired if it should be coded ½ Sheriff Reserve and ½ General Basic or all out of the General accounts. Johnson said that since this door is the Courthouse's handicap entrance, it was his understanding that it would come out of the General accounts. Motion- Sorensen Second- Thompson to code the handicap door repairs to 2/3 General Basic and 1/3 General Supplemental. Vote-all in favor. Motion- Sorensen Second- Thompson to approve the following MMP Annual Updates/Changes: Hinners Site #65590 & Opperman-Bluebird #69531. Vote-all in favor.

Engineer Rydl gave Secondary Roads Construction & Maintenance updates. Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve Low-Water Stream Crossings Resolution #2024-44 as follows:

**RESOLUTION FOR LOW-WATER STREAM CROSSING****Audubon County Resolution No. 24-44**

**WHEREAS:** The Board of Supervisors is empowered under the authority of Sections 321.236 and 321.255 of the Code of Iowa to regulate, warn or guide traffic on highways under their jurisdiction and to place and maintain traffic control devices, and

**WHEREAS:** The County Engineer has evaluated and determined there is a need for regulating traffic at the low-water stream crossings,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Audubon County Board of Supervisors that warning signs with the messages, "Flood Area Ahead" and "Impassible During High Water," and a regulatory sign with the message "Do Not Enter When Flooded" be erected for the safety and welfare of the traveling public at the approaches to the low water crossings at the following locations: **County Bridge I.D. AU-24:** Location between Sections 34 and 35, Township 78 North, Range 34 West, Swift Ave. (Level "B" Dirt Roadway), Audubon Township.

**County Bridge I.D. SH-7:** Location between Sections 11 and 12, Township 79 North, Range 36 West, Falcon Ave. (Level "B" Dirt Roadway), Sharon Township.

**County Bridge I.D. SH-18:** Location between Sections 24 and 25, Township 79 North, Range 36 West, 260<sup>th</sup> Street (Level "B" Dirt Roadway), Sharon Township.

Passed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2024.

Audubon County Board of Supervisors

/s/Heath Hansen

Board of Supervisors Chairperson

ATTEST: /s/Chassity Musfeldt

Audubon County Auditor Clerk

Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve the utility permit for Manning Municipal Utilities: Lincoln Township Sections 4,5,8,9 (110<sup>th</sup> St & Crave Ave). Vote-all in favor. Rydl presented his budget amendment numbers and explained each one.

Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve claims as submitted by various department to be paid in the

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amount of \$80,338.35 and published in a separate publication at the end of October. Vote-all in favor. Discussion was held on the overdue claim from Ace Hardware for parts to repair the toilet in the men's restroom at the Memorial Building. Audubon County provided the labor and purchased the parts but felt the City should pay for the replacement parts. Chairman Hansen said he would bring the bill to the City Clerk following the meeting. Auditor Frederiksen reviewed and explained the budget amendment numbers she had received from various departments. Frederiksen inquired if any other areas will need amended. She showed the Supervisors all the Change Orders and Line of Credit involving the HVAC project costs. Conservation Director Haag called in to discuss his amendment numbers. Previously, the Supervisors had not allocated the amount Haag budgeted for a Full-Time Trail Manager and would consider this allocation if Haag decided to fill the position. Currently there has been no hiring-resolution received for the full-time trail manager. Haag said he thought the new hire was in the budget. Hansen explained that even though Haag included it in his FY25 budget request, it was not allocated/approved by the Supervisors. Haag said he would put together the hiring resolution for the Supervisors. Discussion was held on the damages to the rented excavator and if insurance was going to cover any of it. Haag said ICAP probably won't cover the damages since they were wear/tear/cosmetic/parts and asked if the repairs could come out of Urban Renewal/TIF funds. Supervisors also asked if he had purchased a new Conservation vehicle. Haag said he did purchase a 2025 Chevrolet Silverado and had budgeted for it in this fiscal year. He hopes to have three of the new cabins available for the public to rent this fall. More discussion will follow on the revenue split from the cabins. Motion- Sorensen Second- Thompson to approve the proposal for ArcaSearch Digital Archiving Services. Vote-all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 11:44 am.

/s/ Heath Hansen

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Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest: /s/ Chassity Musfeldt

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