

September 24th, 2024

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 9:13 am by Chairman Heath Hansen. Present at the meeting were Heath Hansen, Doug Sorensen, Rick Thompson, Lisa Frederiksen, Chassity Musfeldt, Tyler Thygesen, Mitch Rydl, Rob Welch, Brenda Muzney, Ben Linde, and Jotham Arber.

Motion-Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve the agenda. Vote-all in favor. Public Comment was opened at 9:15 am. No comments were made. Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve the Canvas Date for the 2024 General Election to be held on November 13th, 2024, at 1:00 pm in the Memorial Building. Vote-all in favor. Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve the Danner Landscape Services for 2025. Vote-all in favor.

Discussion was held on the EMS Essential Services. EMA Director Thygesen answered questions regarding the legal publication and the potential advisory board. Attorney Swensen drafted a Public Notice, and it was reviewed by Supervisors. Motion- Sorensen Second- Thompson to approve the drafted legal notice regarding EMS as an Essential Service for publication. Vote-all in favor. The date to consider acting on a resolution for EMS Essential Services was set for December 3rd, 2024, at 9:15 am, at the Memorial Building.

Motion- Sorensen Second- Thompson to approve the meeting minutes of 9-17-24. Vote-all in favor. Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve claims as submitted by various departments to be paid in the amount of \$6,127.70 and published at the end of September. Vote-all in favor.

Engineer Rydl gave updates on Secondary Roads Department. Rydl said there have been many statewide issues with Utility Permits not being approved before companies start working. The Iowa County Engineer Association is looking into a generic type of permit to be used statewide to hopefully help resolve some of these issues. Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve the Casey Mutual Telephone Company Utility permit for the following sections: Melville Township Section 22 (200th St and Co Hwy N36); Melville Township Section 28 (Co Hwy N3); Melville Township Sections 32,33,34 (210th St, 220th St, and Co Hwy N36) and Greeley Township Section 4 (Co Hwy N36). Vote-all in favor. Rydl informed the Board that a Secondary Roads employee will be retiring in April, and he would like to start the advertisement process for a new Operator so they can potentially start training this winter.

Jotham Arber with Public Health joined the meeting to give the monthly updates. Supervisors asked Arber if he knew of anyone or had an interest in serving as an Audubon County representative on the Elderbridge Board. Arber accepted this position. Currently, Public Health has been seeing several Veterans who have been dropped off their current services. Public Health has been working with the Veteran’s Affairs Department to try and get them the services they are needing. The Public Health office in Exira is nearing completion. Arber hopes to have the Veteran’s Affairs office combined with them and said it would be very beneficial to offer all the services in one location, making it convenient for Veterans to have a one stop place. Arber presented the monthly list of services provided and the number of clients served. The HOPES program currently has spots available. It is not income based and provides great results and better outcomes for families. Arber encouraged anyone interested to utilize this program. Arber has been working with EMA Director Thygesen to provide AED/Stop the Bleed kits for the Kimballton Fire Department. They will be working with them this fall to get CPR and other trainings completed. There are currently State reimbursements available for Well Rehab and Well Plugging.

The AIA Change Order #5 was discussed for the HVAC project. Supervisors questioned the added items and will not be approving/signing it until they talk with ETI/Graphite at tomorrow’s special meeting. Auditor Frederiksen explained and answered questions regarding the Urban Renewal Report for FY24. Motion- Sorensen Second- Thompson to approve the Urban Renewal Report for FY24 for submittal. Meeting adjourned at 11:34 am.

/s/Heath Hansen

Attest: /s/Chassity Musfeldt

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Audubon County Auditor Clerk