

SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK 2021

October 19, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisor's was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Rick Thompson. Others present were Doug Sorensen, Gary VanAernam, Becky Marten, Todd Johnson, Ben Riesgaard, Barb Jacobsen, Penny Schmidt, Tyler Thygesen, Glen Hoegh, Dennis Carter, Miranda Bills, Deb Campbell, Mitch Rydl, and Jotham Arber.

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Thompson. Motion-VanAernam Second-Sorensen to approve agenda. Vote-all in favor. Motion-Sorensen Second-VanAernam to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2021 meeting. Vote-all in favor.

Sheriff Johnson and Riesgaard, Jacobsen, Schmidt, Thygesen representing E911 Board and Glen Hoegh spoke on the action being taken by the EMA-E911 boards in hiring an interim director. Johnson stated he had checked with HR VonBokern before and there was no need to advertise for this position. Johnson presented resolution of hiring of Mike Jensen although it is only the EMA/E911 boards who have authority for hiring of their respective Directors. This action was already taken at their October 13, 2021 meeting--Motion-VanAernam Second-Sorensen to approve Resolution 2021-40 as follows. Vote all in favor.

RESOLUTION 2021-40

Be it hereby resolved by the Audubon County Board of Supervisors, that Mike Jensen be hired as an interim EMA/E911 Director for Audubon County effective October 19th, 2021. This position will follow the current salary: \$20,600/annual with an average 20 hours/week. This resolution will be in effect until a new EMA/E911 Director has been appointed.

Dated at Audubon this 19th day of October, 2021 with the vote thereon being as follows:

Ayes: Thompson, Sorensen, VanAernam

Nays: None

Audubon County Board of Supervisors

/s/ Rick Thompson

Attest:

/s/ Becky Marten, Auditor Clerk

Comments and an Email received from Mike Shores were discussed concerning that the Director position be full-time. Sheriff discussed this need to be a full-time position as there is considerable paperwork involved, a need to spend more time with the public and Audubon County needs to be prepared for a disaster. Jacobsen stated a full-time director is needed to protect our county and resources. Johnson presented staffing/wages/hours of directors in the state. He also stated there are some grants that need to be completed as soon as possible. Thompson asked if Supervisors could have some time to find funding for this full-time position.

Motion-Sorensen Second-VanAernam to accept Michelle Fishback's resignation as FT dispatcher with last working day being November 4, 2021. Vote-all in favor. After discussion by Sheriff, Motion-Sorensen Second-VanAernam to accept Resolution 2021-41 as follows. Vote all in favor.

RESOLUTION 2021-41

Be it hereby resolved by the Audubon County Board of Supervisors, that Michelle Fishback be hired as an as-needed dispatcher/jailer for the Audubon County Sheriff's Office effective November 5th, 2021. This position will follow the union contract for an as-needed employee. The hourly wage will be \$18.08 based on experience and then follow the union contract for pay increases as set.

Dated at Audubon this 19th day of October, 2021 with the vote thereon being as follows:

Ayes: Thompson, Sorensen, VanAernam

Nays: None

Audubon County Board of Supervisors

/s/ Rick Thompson

Attest:

/s/ Becky Marten, Auditor Clerk

Historical Society President Dennis Carter discussed with the Board the purchase of property in Exira and the moving of the old Courthouse and its contents. He explained volunteers had been cleaning and moving cabinets and their contents. They have been using funds received from various grants and organizations and they appreciate funds received from the County. He would like the Supervisors to

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consider the continuation of the \$15,000 allocation in the upcoming years since they are now funding two museums and other projects. No action taken by the Board.

Recorder Bills asked the Supervisors if the \$3000 is available for wellness funding as requested previously. At the current time it looks as if this hasn't been allocated but they will check with Auditor to see where possibly this funding can come from. Motion-VanAernam Second-Sorensen to move the November 2nd meeting to Wednesday, November 3, 2021 due to the City/School Election. Vote-all in favor.

Motion-Sorensen Second-VanAernam to approve the payment of claims as submitted by various departments, Emergency Management Director, E-911 Director and Assessor as listed in a separate publication following these minutes in the amount of \$415,229.14. Vote-all in favor.

Motion-VanAernam Second-Thompson to approve the corrected minutes from the September 24, 2020 meeting with the approval of the FY20 annual urban renewal report. Vote-Thompson Second-VanAernam. Motion carried. Motion-Sorensen Second-VanAernam to approve the FY21 annual urban renewal report presented at the August 31, 2021 board meeting. Vote-all in favor. Motion-VanAernam Second-Sorensen to approve Resolution 2021-42 as follows. Vote all in favor.

RESOLUTION 2021-42

BE IT HERBY RESOLVED, by the Audubon County Board of Supervisors that effective September 23, 2021, Auditor clerk Chassity Musfeldt receive her 6-month probationary raise to \$17.48/hour; She is eligible for an additional increase at her 1st anniversary date. Annual July 1st raises will also be effective at the approved compensation board percentage.

Dated at Audubon County, Iowa this 19th day of October 2021.

/s/ Rick Thompson
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors
Audubon County, Iowa

ATTEST:
By: /s/ Becky Marten, Clerk
Audubon County Auditor

Discussion was held with Supervisors, Engineer and Treasurer Campbell on projects and time frame for bond money being spent. The various bridge projects were listed by Engineer and also the Conservation project. Motion-Sorensen Second-VanAernam to approve the Microsoft Office monthly coding be changed for all expenditures to come out of Department 52. Vote-all in favor.

Secondary Roads update: Crews are cleaning ditches, doing intersections, bridge and road work. Also gave HLDII update. Motion-Sorensen Second-VanAernam to approve asset deletion #55 1994 Case tractor. Vote-all in favor. Motion-Sorensen Second-VanAernam to approve deletion of assets #1422 and #1173 Alkota pressure washers. Vote-all in favor. Rydl presented four different options for a proposed road project that will require land acquisitions. Supervisors stated they felt Plan 4 was the best option.

Public Health Director Jotham Arber gave update on upcoming clinics and when vaccines will be available. He is planning on holding a flu clinic for CH employees and will also be offering CPR training in the future. There are also plans to offer clinics and CPR training to the community. Both Audubon and Guthrie County have recently passed their Medicare certifications. The Audubon and Guthrie public health departments are in the process of rewriting policies and community assessment work is in process. They are working on a new 28E agreement and also would like to hire a social worker.

Telephone call to Jennifer Smith at PFM. No answer, message left. Telephone call then to Susanne Gerlach of PFM with questions for Series 2021 Credit Presentation Information Request. Supervisors stated economic development in county now and in future and also answered other questions concerning federal stimulus and ARP funding. Board also verified participants who would be on the credit call.

Motion-VanAernam Second-Sorensen to adjourn at 1:10 p.m. Vote-all in favor.

/s/ Rick Thompson
Chairman, Audubon Co. Board of Supervisors

Attest: /s/ Becky Marten, Clerk
Audubon County Auditor Clerk

