

SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK 2022

August 23 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 23, 2022 by Chairman Doug Sorensen. Others present were Gary VanAernam, Rick Thompson, Lisa Frederiksen, Becky Marten, Bruce Haag, Mitch Rydl, Kent Grabill, Deb Campbell, Todd Johnson, Miranda Bills, Deb Umland, Chris Swensen, Jotham Arber, Kent Irwin, Abby Vander Werf and Keri McMahon via telephone.

Motion-Thompson Second-VanAernam to approve the agenda with discussion of IT Director's resignation. Vote-all in favor. Introductions of those attending were made including new VA Director Michelle Kilmer and Abby Vander Werf, Regional Director for Congressman Randy Feenstra.

Department Head meeting was held and Chairman Sorensen stated he had received IT Director Brennan Schulte's resignation effective August 22nd. Sorensen said that Schulte had stated he was overwhelmed with the job and will be returning to his prior employment. Much discussion was held on the IT group meeting again and continuing with advertising, etc. The BOS will make contact with Keri McMahon of HBS explaining our continued need for their services. Assessor Umland stated they had hired Ann Zaiger in their office. Department heads were urged to stress to their employees the importance of obtaining and reporting their yearly physicals to qualify for decreased insurance costs to the county. At the present time only 25% of employees have done this. Ways to increase this number were discussed. Recorder Bills also discussed the delivering of Meals on Wheels as a possible wellness pillar and Supervisors gave their approval.

Current vacation policies were discussed and it was suggested by Miranda that department heads hold a workshop to work on policies for the employee handbook. Date of Wednesday, August 31st at 1 p.m. was set for this workshop. Flex time was discussed with some employees having their own Boards to answer to. Sheriff stated that the EMA/E911 director signs in and out through their dispatch system.

Engineer Rydl presented bids for pavement markings. Motion-Thompson Second-VanAernam to approve Resolution 2022-57 (Vogel Traffic Services, Inc bid). Vote-all in favor.

RESOLUTION 2022-57

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as "the Board", believes the FM-C005(77)—55-05, hereafter referred to as "the project" is in the best interest of Audubon, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as 2022 Pavement Markings on various County highways; and

WHEREAS, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Audubon County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by Section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by Board to accept the bid from Vogel Traffic Services, Inc. in the amount of \$58,276.23 and awards the associated contract(s) to the same;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of the Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval as provided by law; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of Audubon County, Iowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, Mitchel J. Rydl, P.E., the Audubon County Engineer for Audubon County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

Board of Supervisors of Audubon, Iowa

Dated at Audubon, Iowa this 23rd day of August, 2022

Board of Supervisors of Audubon, Iowa

/s/ Doug Sorensen

Doug Sorensen, Chairperson

/s/ Gary VanAernam

Gary VanAernam

/s/Rick Thompson

Rick Thompson

ATTEST:

By: /s/ Becky Marten

Audubon County Deputy Auditor

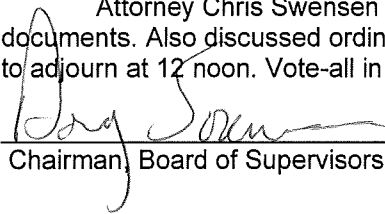
Discussed Nishanbotna Park drawings and current acreage involved. Also discussed future plans for area and cleanup continues. Various bridge projects, road projects, RISE grants, etc were discussed by Rydl. He gave update on the F32 east road project. Engineering department has hired one new employee and continues with interviews.

Auditor Frederiksen gave update on the mental health funding/reimbursement of local expenses. Telephone call received from Keri McMahon of Heartland Business Services and she stated they will continue to provide services on Fridays as long as needed. She would be in contact with Kaleb Hoening as to proper procedures for the passwords, etc. Sorensen requested some information on the server being housed in Secondary Road Department.

Treasurer Deb Campbell presented the semi-annual report. Motion-Thompson Second-VanAernam to approve Treasurer's semi-annual report. Vote-all in favor. Campbell discussed three court-ordered properties of Audubon City for tax abatements. Motion-Thompson Second-VanAernam to abate property taxes for current year for Parcels 050520440821, 050521430362 and 050528120865 currently owned by Audubon City. Vote-all in favor. Motion-Thompson Second-VanAernam to accept/file MMP plans for NJO-Beck, Greeley Twp #64957; Currituck LLC, Bear Grove Twp #57969; Handlos-Zaiger SW, Douglas Twp #62467 and Handlos-Shaw, Cameron Twp #64099. Vote-all in favor.

Jotham Arber, Audubon County Executive Director reviewed activity with the Environmental Health Department. They have seen an increase in Perc tests and radon tests. They are working on tanning bed ordinance. Will be having an Employee BBQ for Healthy You on the 26th and the plan is to do these in area communities to promote Public Health services, immunizations and inform public of programs available.

Attorney Chris Swensen discussed the opioid contract and Thompson will sign off on the documents. Also discussed ordinances but no timeline finalized. Motion-VanAernam Second-Thompson to adjourn at 12 noon. Vote-all in favor.


Chairman, Board of Supervisors


Audubon County Deputy Auditor