

SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK 2022

August 30, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 30, 2022 by Chairman Doug Sorensen. Others present were Gary VanAernam, Rick Thompson, Becky Marten, Mitch Rydl, Kent Grabill, Chris Swensen, Bonnie McDonald, Leroy and Norma Nielsen, Duane Deist and Marty Wanninger. Matt Ringgenberg and Bret Cox of Access Systems per Zoom.

Motion-Thompson Second-VanAernam to approve agenda. Vote-all in favor. Motion-Thompson Second-VanAernam to approve minutes of August 23, 2022. Vote-all in favor.

Ross citizens Bonnie McDonald, Leroy and Norma Nielsen discussed property owned by Kyle Lemke which has not been taken care of and has become overgrown by weeds. Roadside Manager Kent Grabill showed pictures he had taken of the area with high grass/weeds, junk, trees, etc. Some trees have been cut down and not removed and others are diseased ash trees. There also are many animals living within this property and McDonald stated her driveway is obstructed by this situation. Discussion was held on who would be liable should a child get bitten by animals, etc. County Attorney stated land owner would be responsible and states this is a huge safety concern for the community and county. Duane Deist stated he felt Public Health should be involved and it was decided that the County Attorney would issue a letter to owner Lemke on cleaning up of the property.

Matt Ringgenberg and Bret Cox of Access Systems joined by computer and reviewed their services and how they could assist Audubon County at this time. They stated they have a robust telephone system which would be of use to the Courthouse and they shared slides of their IT and telecommunication services and personnel. Thompson stated that the ICIT committee had been working with Audubon County and Sorensen stated at present time we are using Heartland Business Systems until an IT Director has been hired. No decisions made at this time.

Duane Deist stated he had read about the hospital wanting to acquire an ambulance and had some questions. Sorensen explained the Midwest Ambulance Service situation and the need that Audubon County has for transporting patients from local hospital to city hospitals. Deist also had some tax questions which were answered by Sorensen.

Motion-Thompson Second-VanAernam to approve Resolution 2022-58 appointing Chris Swensen as ADA Director. Vote-all in favor.

RESOLUTION 2022-58

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Audubon County Board of Supervisors that County Attorney Christopher Swensen be designated as ADA Director for Audubon County and this being hereby approved retroactive to August 31, 2021.

Passed and approved this 30th day of August, 2022

/s/ Doug Sorensen

Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST By: /s/ Becky Marten

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Discussion was held on the recent meeting with Tracey Bradley, compliance Officer with IDOT/Civil Rights Bureau. At this time no Title VI compliance director was designated. Thompson suggested that maybe there would be a county employee willing to accept this position along possibly with safety and wellness duties with a possible stipend. Supervisors will discuss with other counties who serves as their Title VI coordinator and report back. Title VI compliance, etc needs to be completed for the County to qualify for Federal and State funding/grants. No decision made at this time.

County Attorney stated he is working on ordinances and is finishing up the Opioid papers and needs to visit with PHN Director Arber. Swensen also reviewed the process and procedures for handling abandoned property. Engineer and Attorney are working on the 28E agreement with Brayton. Rydl presented the CDL agreement for review and to be discussed and approved at next BOS meeting. Motion-Thompson Second-VanAernam to approve Resolution 2022-59 hiring of Tyson Smith, Secondary Roads). Vote-all in favor.

RESOLUTION 2022-59

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Audubon County Board of Supervisors that Tyson Smith be hired as Grade 2 Classification, Equipment Operator B for the Secondary Roads Department effective August 31, 2022. Hourly wage will be \$20.18 with benefits as per the contract between Audubon County and Public, Professional and Maintenance Employees, Local Union #2003. Insurance coverage shall begin

October 1, 2022.

Passed and approved this 30th day of August 2022.

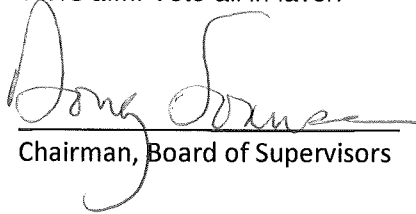
/s/ Doug Sorensen

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County Engineer Rydl reported on bridge projects, pavement marking contract, seeding, RISE grants and upcoming meetings. He reported that bridge inspections and rating of bridges will be changing.

Motion-VanAernam Second-Thompson to approve and sign GASB 75 service agreement. Vote-all in favor. Motion-Thompson Second-VanAernam to accept/file MMP annual updates for: Newell Pig II #61310, Handlos-Bruch #71333, Handlos-Andersen #62468, Handlos-Arnold #67383, Lawrence Handlos-Tessman #65436. Vote-all in favor. Thompson reported on recent ISAC meeting attended and states he has information on different options and benefits to be incorporated into handbook when hiring new employees. He will present this at next meeting. Motion-VanAernam Second-Thompson to adjourn at 11:15 a.m. Vote-all in favor.


Chairman, Board of Supervisors


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