

**COUNTY BOARD MINUTES  
OCTOBER 5, 2020**

The Board convened on Monday, October 5, 2020, at 9:00 AM with the members present Byrne, Geerts, Tilkes, and Hackman in the Boardroom located on the second floor of the Courthouse, New Hampton, Iowa. Absent: Zoll. Courthouse is open to the public. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hackman. Present were Joan Knoll, Jeff Bernatz, Rick Holthaus, Terry Johnson, and Joe Gray.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Geerts to approve agenda for October 5, 2020. Roll Call: Ayes: Byrne, Geerts, Tilkes, and Hackman. Absent: Zoll. Motion Carried.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Tilkes to approve Board minutes for September 28 & 29, 2020. Roll Call: Ayes: Byrne, Tilkes, Geerts, and Hackman. Absent: Zoll. Motion Carried.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Geerts to acknowledge the change of status from Part-time-on call homemaker aide to medical secretary position for Holly Bailey effective September 28, 2020 at the hourly rate of \$14.21. Roll Call: Ayes: Byrne, Geerts, Tilkes, and Hackman. Absent: Zoll. Motion Carried.

No Public Comment.

Update on the Building/renovation project at 516 South Linn Avenue, New Hampton. Supervisor Geerts informed the Board that the architect is continuing to work on the design/plan for the County Attorney's Office to review and preparing the documents for the Board to review by October 26, 2020.

The Board discussed the County Farm Rental Lease. Supervisor Hackman discussed with the Board and referred to Item No. 17 & 18 on the County Farm Rental Lease. Tenant would like a berm(s) along the east side of the property due to the diversion of the water to the ditch. The Board will review the property in question when the crops are harvest.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to table the County Farm Rental Lease until the next meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Geerts, Byrne, Tilkes, and Hackman. Absent: Zoll. Motion Carried.

Supervisor Hackman gave an ambulance update.

Lisa Welter, Penny Andorf, Reed Palo, Delores Knutson, Don Knutson, and Derick Knutson present at 9:12 AM.

Jennifer Schwickerath met with the Board to introduce Joseph E. Gray as the new assistant county attorney. Introductions were made.

Dusty Rolando present at 9:45 AM.

Jennifer Schwickerath also discussed the Nuisance ordinance and the property at 2507 120<sup>th</sup> Street. The County Attorney's Office will research and draft a potential Nuisance ordinance. The County Attorney's Offices also shared with the Board a letter from Attorney Nathaniel W. Schwickerath regarding the property at 2507 120<sup>th</sup> Street. Discussion followed.

Joe Gray left at 10:20 AM.

Update on the Coronavirus-Covid 19.

Lisa Welter, Penny Andorf, Reed Palo, Delores Knutson, Don Knutson, Derick Knutson, and Dusty Rolando left at 10:28 AM.

Update on the Radio Communications project.

Supervisor Hackman updated the Board on a Pathways meeting held on September 28, 2020.

Supervisor Tilkes update the Board on a Northeast Iowa Community Action meeting held on September 28, 2020 and Iowa Workforce Development meeting held on October 1, 2020.

Received and filed in the Auditor's Office MMP Short Form for Annual Updates for Oakdale Lane, LLC-Ralph (ID #69132) located at 3126 120<sup>th</sup> Street, Waucoma IA 52171.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Byrne to adjourn at 10:29 AM. Roll Call: Roll Call: Ayes: Tilkes, Byrne, Geerts, and Hackman. Absent: Zoll. Motion Carried.

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Jacob Hackman, Chairman  
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Joan E. Knoll, Auditor