

**COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
OCTOBER 26 & 27, 2020**

The Board convened on Monday, October 26, 2020, at 9:00 AM with the following members present Byrne, Zoll, Tilkes, Geerts, and Hackman in the Boardroom located on the second floor of the Courthouse, New Hampton, Iowa. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hackman. Present were Joan Knoll, Rick Holthaus, and Jeff Bernatz.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Zoll to approve agenda for October 26 & 27, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Zoll to table Board minutes. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Brian Moore present at 9:05 AM.

No Public comment.

The Board reviewed the resolution to amend departmental Appropriations for the EMA-County share.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Tilkes to approve amend departmental Appropriations for the EMA—County Share. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried. **RESOLUTION TO AMEND DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION NO. 10-26-20-74** WHEREAS the Board of Supervisors approved a Departmental Appropriations on June 15, 2020 for all departments of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 in accordance with Section 331.434, Subsection 6, Code of Iowa, and WHEREAS the appropriations approved on June 15, 2020 are hereby amended in accordance with the attached sheet for the following reasons: Emergency Management Commission-County Share \$130,000.00with no increase in current fiscal year taxes. PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 26th day of October 2020. AYES: /ss/ Jacob Hackman, Tim Zoll, Steve Geerts, David Tilkes, Jason Byrne. NAYS: None. ATTEST:/ss/ Joan E. Knoll, Auditor

DEPARTMENT	BEFORE AMENDMENT	INCREASE/ DECREASE	AFTER AMENDMENT
Emerg. Management Comm. \$.00	\$130,000.00	\$ 130,000.00

SERVICE AREA:

Public Safety & Legal Serv.	\$ 2,529,378.00	\$ 40,823.00	\$2,576,201.00
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Brian Moore met with the Board to approve the Weed Commissioner Annual Report for FY 2019-2020.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Zoll to approve Weed Commissioner Annual Report for FY 2019-2020 and authorize Chairman Signature. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ray Armel present at 9:09 AM.

Ray Armel met with the Board to discuss website user fees.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to eliminate the website user fees effective November 2, 2020 and to reimburse the users their yearly proration. Roll Call: Ayes: Geerts, Byrne, Tilkes, and Hackman. Nays: Zoll. Motion Carried.

Brian Moore left at 9:15 AM.

Dusten Rolando present at 9:16 AM.

Lisa Welter present at 9:17 AM.

Martin Hemann present at 9:22 AM.

Dave Gorman present at 9:26 AM.

Sheriff Marty Hemann met with the Board for a departmental update. Mr. Hemann informed the Board that the toilet in the basement is nonfunctional. Mr. Hemann also informed the Board that Dave Gorman and himself contact vendor for a replacement and the purchase is over \$2,500.00. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the Board (Geerts Abstain) to purchase a toilet for the Jail Building.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Zoll to acknowledge the retirement of Reed Palo as Chief Deputy effective January 8, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Mr. Hemann also discussed with the Board the hiring of a Deputy Sheriff. Discussion followed.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to start the hiring process for a full-time deputy sheriff to fill the vacancy. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ray Armel left at 9:42 AM.

Rick Kramer present at 9:51 AM.

Karen Clemens and Kevin Kennedy present at 9:52 AM.

Dave Gorman left at 9:55 AM.

Supervisor Hackman updated the Board on the Ambulance Litigation. Mr. Hackman informed the Board that a settlement conference has been scheduled for December 2, 2020 at 9:00 AM for one day. Each party is allowed one non-attorney representative at the conference. At a Board meeting closer to the date of the settlement conference, the Board should discuss and designate their representative for the settlement conference. A non-jury trial has been scheduled to begin on May 5, 2021 at 9:00 AM for three days.

Karen Clemens, Kevin Kennedy, Rick Kramer, and Marty Hemann left at 10:08 AM.

The Board discussed the key policy at the Community Services Building. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the Board to issue a key to the Environmental Health Specialist office.

The Board discussed Board of Health member position(s) under Iowa Code Section 137 and The Board discussed the Conservation Board member District 1. Discussion followed on the number of opening (s) and terms. The Board also discussed the public notice and application process.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Tilkes to publish the Public Notice-listing the Board and Commission openings in the newspapers every quarter. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The Board will also place the County Board and Commission openings on the County website which will include a listing of openings and the positions to be filled.

The Board discussed the partition/barriers for the Veterans Affairs department. Discussion followed.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to purchase of partition/barriers for the Veterans Affairs Department. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried. Jeff Bernatz will order the partition/barrier for the Veterans Affairs department.

Lisa Welter left at 10:36 AM.

Dusten Rolando met with the Board to discuss road department activities.

Dusten Rolando left at 11:00 AM.

Update on the Radio Communication project.

Supervisor Tilkes gave the Board an update on the Iowa Workforce Development meeting held on October 22, 2020.

Supervisor Hackman gave the Board an update on the DECAT meeting held on October 21, 2020.

Received and filed Northeast Workforce Area Chief Elected Officials Shared Liability Agreement. The Board asked the County Auditor to take the document to the Recorder's Office to record since it is a 28E Agreement.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Zoll to adjourn at 11:09 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The Board convened on Tuesday, October 27, 2020, at 9:00 AM with the following members present Byrne, Zoll, Tilkes, Geerts, and Hackman in the Boardroom located on the second floor of the Courthouse, New Hampton, Iowa. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hackman. Present were Joan Knoll, Rick Holthaus, Ray Armel, and Duane Svoboda.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to approve the additional agenda item. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ray Armel met with the Board for an update on the public informational meeting for preliminary Wind Facility Construction (Invenergy) according to the agreement. The meeting will be a public information teleconference on Monday, November 2, 2020 at 5:00 PM. to outline plans for preliminary limited construction in Chickasaw County. The meeting will be hosted virtually.

Ray Armel left at 9:03 AM.

Marty Hemann present at 9:03 AM.

Duane Svoboda with Align Architecture & Planning met with the Board to review plans and documents for the building/renovation project. Discussion followed. Duane Svoboda will make the revisions to the plans and have the County Attorney's office review the changes. Mr. Svoboda will meet with the Board later with the revised plans and documents for the building/renovation project at 516 S. Linn.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Tilkes to approve Board minutes for October 19 & 21, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Duane Svoboda left at 9:45 AM.

The Board discussed the “No Weapons Allowed” signage. Discussion followed.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to remove the “No Weapons Allowed” signage on all county buildings. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Marty Hemann left at 9:58 AM.

The Board reviewed the claims.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Byrne to approve claims in the amount of \$167,753.98. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The Board received three (3) quotes for the County Farm Rental Property to build two or three diversions (berms). Quotes received from Pat Finnegan Construction Co. in the amount of \$2,450.00; Bachman Farm Drainage & Excavating in the amount of \$640.00; and Lentz Excavating LLC in the amount of \$250.00 each and a 4-5 recommended. Discussion followed.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Geerts to accept the quote from Bachman Farm Drainage & Excavating in the amount of \$640.00 for 3 diversions and filling in 180 feet of washout in the field on the county farm. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried. Mr. Hackman will contact the vendor.

Received and filed in the Auditor’s Office MMP Short Form for Annual Updates for GJL Real Estate-Bodensteiner Site (ID #58597) located at 1779 Vanderbilt Avenue, Lawler, IA 52154

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Zoll to adjourn at 10:35 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Jacob Hackman, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Joan E. Knoll, Auditor