

**COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
DECEMBER 14, 2020**

The Board convened on Monday, December 14, 2020, at 9:00 AM with all 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, Doug Kollmann, and Matt Kuhn. Also via phone conference was Jeff Bernatz and Melissa Biermann.

Motion by Zoll, Seconded by Tilkes to approve agenda for December 14, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Lisa Welter present at 9:02 AM.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Zoll to approve Board minutes for December 7 & 8, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The Board discussed Board of Supervisors meeting for December 21, 2020.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Zoll to postpone the regular Board meeting scheduled for December 21, 2020 until December 22, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The Board reviewed the e-mail from the Public Health Department for Vacation Carryover Requests.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to approve Ann Knutson request for 20 hours of vacation carryover, and the vacation carryover must be used by January 31, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to approve Lisa Welter request for 13 hours of vacation carryover, and the vacation carryover must be used by January 31, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to approve Anita Eschweiler request for 9 hours of vacation carryover, and the vacation carryover must be used by January 31, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Lisa Welter left at 9:05 AM.

Update on the Radio Communication Project.

No Public comment.

Brian Moore present via phone conference at 9:06 AM

The Board reviewed and discussed the Harassment-Free Workplace training objectives.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Zoll to distribute the Harassment-Free Workplace training objective bulletin to all Chickasaw County Employees on or before December 18, 2020, authorize Chairman Signature, and the receipt of training bulletin returned to the Auditor's Office on or before December 31, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Marty Hemann present at 9:15 AM.

Brian Moore met with the Board via phone conference to discuss the Nature Center Oak Tree Project at the Twin Ponds Nature Center. Brian Moore informed the Board that the total project was in the amount \$8,950.00 and Conservation Board approved a partial payment in the amount of \$2,900.00 to Whimsical Touch DP for the purchase of material for the Oak Tree display. The final payment of \$6,050.00 will be issued in February 2021.

Brian Moore also informed the Board of a Lease Agreement in the amount of \$2,500.00 with New Hampton Red Power, Inc. for 2021 Farmall 75A with loader during the period from March 1 to November 30, 2021 or up to 250 hours. Discussion followed.

Brian Moore left via phone conference at 9:23 AM.

Marty Hemann met with the Board to discuss the sale of a 2014 Dodge Charger. Marty Hemann informed the Board that the 2014 Dodge Charger has 166,740 miles. Discussion followed.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to authorize the County Sheriff to advertise the sale of the 2014 Dodge Charger with no minimum bid required. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Marty Hemann left at 9:25 AM.

Trisha Wilkins present at 9:25 AM.

Executive Director Trisha Wilkins met with the Board to present FY 2021-22 budget funding requests for the Northeast Iowa Community Action and the programs that the Northeast Iowa Community Action offers to residents. Discussion followed. The request for \$ 35,306.00 was received and placed on file for consideration within the total context of the FY 2021-22 County Budget.

Trisha Wilkins left at 9:43 AM.

Dusten Rolando and Sue Breitbach present at 9:50 AM.

Shirley Troyna present at 9:52 AM.

Update on the Coronavirus-Covid-19.

Shirley Troyna left at 10:00 AM.

Diane Murphy and Wally Boehmer present at 10:00 AM.

Pioneer Cemetery Commission Member Diane Murphy met with the Board to present an overview of the Pioneer Cemetery Commission's work. Ms. Murphy presented to the Board FY2021-2022 budget request funding. The budget request in the amount of \$4,500.00 was received and placed on file for consideration within the total context of the FY 2021-22 county budget.

Diane Murphy and Wally Boehmer left at 10:10 AM

Doug Kollmann left at 10:13 AM.

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

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Tilkes to acknowledge the retirement of Tom Riley as maintenance operator effective January 31, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Tilkes to acknowledge the resignation of Joshua Hobert as mechanic effective December 18, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Zoll, Seconded by Geerts to approve the renewal of the Adopt A Highway permit for the Ionia Volunteer Fire Department to remove litter along V-14 from Hwy 18 south to 230th Street. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Bob Fenske from the media present at 10:14 AM.

Karen Clemens and Rick Kramer present at 10:15 AM.

The Board discussed the possible withdrawal from the 1989 Intergovernmental Agreement (Chickasaw County Ambulance Council). Discussion followed.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Zoll to terminate membership and to withdraw as a member of the Chickasaw County Ambulance Council on June 30, 2021 as determined by most of the Board of Supervisors meeting held on December 14, 2020 and authorize Chairman Signature. Roll Call: Ayes: Tilkes, Zoll, Hackman. Nays: Byrne and Geerts . Motion Carried.

Dusten Rolando, Sue Breitbach, Karen Clemens, Rick Kramer, and Bob Fenske from the media left at 11:07 AM.

Budget Worksession.

Supervisor Byrne updated the Board on the Board of Health meeting held on December 9, 2020.

Supervisor Hackman updated the Board on the County Social Services meeting held on December 9, 2020.

Supervisor Hackman updated the Board on the proposed Health Insurance increase for FY 2021-2022. Discussion followed. The Board first initial proposal was to increase the health insurance by 10 percent, but after Supervisor Hackman contacted IGHCP it was ranging from 4-6 percent increase. It was the consensus of the Board to increase the health insurance for FY 2021-2022 by 5 percent. Supervisor Hackman will contact all department heads of the change.

Received and filed in the Auditor's Office Verification of County Receipt for Manure Management Plans & Plan Updates for Charles City Cattle Lot-Gerald J. Lynch (ID# 65872) located at 1987 Asherton Avenue, Charles City, Iowa 50616

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Byrne to adjourn at 12:23 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Jacob Hackman, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Joan E. Knoll, Auditor