

CHICKASAW COUNTY

September 20, 2021

The Board convened on Monday, September 20th, 2021, at 9:00 AM with all members present Byrne, Holthaus, Hackman, Zoll, and Kuhn in the Boardroom located on the second floor of the Courthouse, New Hampton, Iowa. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Holthaus. Also present were Auditor Stephanie Mashek, Terry Johnson and Joan Knoll.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Zoll to approve the agenda for September 20th, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve the minutes for September 13th, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Discussed purchasing meals and tipping using the credit card policy.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Zoll deleting item number 3 on the credit card policy with the removal of the allowance of purchasing meals with the county credit card effective September 20th, 2021. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Kuhn, Byrne, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

9:05 AM No Public Comment

9:15 AM Opened sealed bids for office furniture and equipment.

Knoll and Johnson left at 9:34 AM.

Hackman asked Holthaus if permission was received from the Chickasaw County employee to have a closed session. Holthaus said he received a verbal and a text message confirming that the employee was agreeing to the closed session.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Zoll to enter into closed session at 9:35 AM pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i) “[t]o evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual’s reputation and that individual requests a closed session.” Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Kuhn, Byrne, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

Motion by Kuhn, Second by Hackman to end closed session at 10: 24 AM. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Byrne, Kuhn, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

No action taken.

Knoll, Johnson, and Kari Schaffer present at 10:25 AM.

10:25 AM Kari Schaffer provided an update to the 457 plan. Schaffer went over the number of members and the growth of assets. Schaffer suggested to change two funds due to poor performance.

James Ashley present at 10:34 AM.

The consensus of the board is to take Schaffer’s recommendation of replacing the Templeton World fund with another fund that is performing better.

The consensus of the board is to replace the Templeton Global Bond Fund with another fund that is performing better.

The consensus of the board is to allow the Total Bond Market Fund with another fund that is performing better.

The consensus of the board is to replace the target date with the American Century within the John Hancock.

Schaffer said a notification of the changes thirty days prior to the change will be provided to employees.

Schaffer left at 10:50 AM.

Ashley brought in part of the 28E Agreement for the Ambulance service with the county and the cities. For your information, Hackman informed that per the 28E Agreement the Ambulance Council needs to convene and shall confirm the city members respective apportionment at its first meeting following publication of the latest census. Legislatures are still working on the 2020 census.

Ashley left at 10:58 AM.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to accept the highest bids on county owned office furniture and equipment and the tied bid from Eric Kuehn and Brad S. will be split by three filing cabinets for each bidder. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dave Gorman and Terry Bonik present at 11:03 AM.

11:00 AM David Gorman said he invited Terry Bonik from Rain Soft to discuss options for treating the water in the courthouse. Discussion on drinking water and Bonik stated that they have drinking reverse osmosis systems available for purchase at \$2,000 per unit if needed.

Ryan Shawver present at 11:22 AM.

Continued discussion on water treatment for the courthouse. Zoll asked if another quote was received from a different vendor. Gorman stated the other vendor did not get back to him with a quote.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Kuhn to accept the quote from Rain Soft to install the fiberglass softener tank, brine tank, resin, freight, salt, installation materials and labor equaling \$12,950. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Kuhn, Byrne, Zoll, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

Bonik left at 11:32 AM.

Gorman provided a department update. One of the bearing was out of one of the fans at the courthouse building. A new fan is being ordered to replace the old one. The trees are down at the LEMC building. Holthaus asked who is in charge of the generator. Gorman stated that before AJ Seely left he showed Gorman what needed to be addressed for filters. Gorman was under the impression that EMA is now in charge of them. Holthaus would like clarification on who is in charge of maintaining the generator. Hackman stated he thought Bernatz has a contract with a vendor to service those generators and would also need to add two more generators to be serviced.

Gorman left at 11:41 AM.

11:41 AM Deputy Ryan Shawver went over the deputy's vehicle salvage price.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to authorize the purchase of the 2021 Durango AWD V8 Hemi MDS in the amount of \$34,955. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Shawver left at 11:53 AM.

Motion by Kuhn, Second by Hackman to appoint Suellen Kolbet to fill the vacancy for the non-resident board of adjustment for the City of New Hampton with the term expiring June 30, 2025. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Byrne, Kuhn, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

Brian Moore present at 11:56 AM.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve the 2020-2021 Annual Cash Financial Report and to publish in the county's official newspapers. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Kuhn, Byrne, Zoll, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

12:00 PM Brian Moore discussed the RFP for Bypass Basin. Conservation board met with a company to design the area located at the Bypass Basin.

Knoll left at 12:01 PM.

Moore explained that conservation would like to implement learning areas and trails. Moore asked if County Betterment funds could be used for the development of Bypass Basin.

Knoll present at 12:08 PM.

Holthaus asked if the conservation's budget could absorb the fee for hiring an architect. Moore replied he did not believe his budget could absorb the cost of the architect.

Lisa Welter present at 12:10 PM.

Holthaus inquired if Moore's replacement would be working during the same time frame. Moore stated that he felt that this individual would start with one month left at the end of this year. Discussion on whether Moore's budget could absorb it. Moore said they could use the \$15,000 for the REAP money for paying the architecture fee for Bypass Basin and that the New Hampton Tribune incorrectly stated that Conservation had a contract with an architect for the Bypass Basin project.

Moore spoke with the DNR and Rose Amundson from HR Green to proceed with an option to continue the closure of the landfill. Kuhn asked if there has been advertisement for Moore's position. Moore said it has been advertised in the newspaper and online opportunities. Moore stated that Labor Day weekend was a record attendance for campers at both the Airport and Split Rock campground.

Moore left at 12:25 PM.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to acknowledge the purchases of the flu vaccines for \$10,174.34 and \$6,816.69. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Welter left at 12:28 PM.

Discussed the budget amendment for FY21-22 budget.

Zoll left at 12:50 PM to go to the FMC Landfill to sign claims.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Kuhn to set the public hearing for a budget amendment for FY 2021-2022 for October 11, 2021 at 9:15 AM in the board room located at the second floor of the courthouse and publish in the county's official newspapers. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Kuhn, Byrne, and Holthaus. Zoll, absent. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to adjourn at 12:58 PM. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Byrne, Kuhn, and Holthaus. Zoll, absent. Motion Carried.

Richard Holthaus, Chairperson
Board of Supervisor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Mashek, Secretary of the Board