

Approved Minutes Emmet County Board of Supervisor Minutes
January 19, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.
Regular Meeting
Board Room, Courthouse

Present: Jeff Quastad, Chair
Tim Schumacher, Vice-Chair
John Pluth
Todd Glasnapp
Lisa K. Hansen

Absent:

Zoom Meeting Information:

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Quastad, Chair, called the meeting to order. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by Schumacher, second by Glasnapp to approve the minutes from last week's meeting, also approving them for publication. All ayes, motion carried.

During public forum, Quastad reported that he and EMA Director Travis Sheridan attended the HAZMAT meeting. Pluth reported that he had attended a Corridor meeting. The Board discussed various upcoming committee and board meetings.

Walter Davis-Oeth, Emmet County Engineer presented a road report to the Board and discussed snow plowing and upcoming equipment purchases.

Dave Schmidt and Arvin Weringa from Winter & Stave LLP presented the FY2020 Emmet County Audit Report. Motion by Pluth, second by Glasnapp to approve the FY2020 Audit. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Hansen to sign the service agreement with Nyhart for the 2021 GASB 75 Interim report. All ayes, motion carried.

Emmet County Auditor & Commissioner of Elections shared information regarding a joint DHS/Elections building in Estherville. DHS will be looking at the building on Thursday at 4pm.

Motion by Glasnapp, second by Pluth to appoint Brian Kruse as the Emmet County Weed Commissioner. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Hansen, second by Schumacher to appoint Dorothy Christensen to the Magistrate Nominating Commission for a six-year term. All ayes, motion carried.

Emmet County Attorney, Melanie Summers Bauler presented an inclement weather policy proposal for discussion. Joining the meeting in person were Travis Sheridan, Barb Bohm, Brenda Moore, Diann Minion, Deb Tietje. Kathy Preston and Walter Davis-Oeth joined telephonically via Zoom. Summers Bauler reported that the Department Heads had met to discuss the policy.

Summers Bauler had researched Palo Alto, Dickinson, Clay and Kossuth county policies and shared them with the Board. The proposed policy is a combination of those policies. The proposed policy would have the Auditor or her Designee determine if it was necessary to suspend county operations and/or close the courthouse and other county facilities.

Summers Bauler and the Board discussed other options with the Department Heads and Chairman Quastad will work with EMA, Sheriff's Department and Secondary Roads when there is Inclement Weather Conditions.

Motion by Pluth, second by Schumacher to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 a.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Amy M. Sathoff
Auditor

Jeff Quastad
Chair