

Approved Minutes Emmet County Board of Supervisor Minutes
January 26, 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:

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

During public forum, Emmet County Auditor, Amy M. Sathoff reported that Governor Reynolds released additional COVID relief funding for local governments and Emmet County will receive \$71,265.74 within the next week.

Auditor Sathoff also shared with the Board that the City of Estherville will be holding a public hearing on February 15, 2021 at 5:00 pm to discuss an amendment to the Estherville Urban Renewal Plan for the Estherville Consolidated Urban Renewal Area. There is also a meeting on January 29, 2021 at 10:00 am at City Hall to discuss the proposed amendment.

Schumacher shared with the Board that he has asked Heidi Kuhl with Northland Public Finance to present a Bonding 101 course to the Board on February 9, 2021.

Hansen reported that North Central Iowa Early Childhood Board needs another Emmet County Representative in the faith-based area. This will be put on next week's agenda for the Board to appoint. Hansen also shared that there are dollars available to daycares and the Board should encourage daycare centers to request funding from the Early Childhood Board. Early Childhood also has a literacy program and Emmet County libraries can apply for a \$1,000 grant.

Schumacher attended a RIDES meeting and that the program is in good shape financially. They do have a driver shortage.

Glasnapp attended EMA, E911 and FLEAS meetings. He reported that the Armstrong Ambulance is adding another EMT and a Nurse. He also reported that there are dollars available for people to take EMT courses.

Auditor Sathoff reported that she has applied for a \$1,000 ICAP grant to purchase 10 Bloodborne Pathogen wall mount kits for the Courthouse and Secondary Roads shops.

The Board reviewed the Sheriff's Quarterly Report.

The Board discussed the ED3 Reclassification, Annexation and Appraisal reports presented. Drainage Clerk, Lisa Rosburg is working on the notices that will go out to the 26 affected landowners. Rosburg also summarized the 26 affected landowners in a spreadsheet presented to the Board. Notices will need to go out 20 days prior to the public hearing and Rosburg is working with Dickinson County on the joint public hearings. Motion by Pluth, second by Schumacher to accept the ED3 Reclassification report and set the Public Hearing Date for the ED3 Reclassification, Annexation and Appraisal as follows:

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

9:30 am Annexation

9:45 am Reclassification

10:30 am Appraisal

All ayes, motion carried. Quastad will contact Rick Hopper of Jacobsen Westergard with questions on the Annexation report.

The Board reviewed the Construction Permit from the DNR for the Denmark 20 site (Facility ID #71610).

Auditor Sathoff reminded the Board of the Joint meeting with Palo Alto County next Tuesday at 10:30 am and the Library meeting next Tuesday at noon.

The Board will have a FY2022 Budget work session next Monday at 9:00 am.

Auditor Sathoff reported that Melissa Krieger of DHS did tour the proposed Election Building and that she indicated that the facility would meet their needs with renovation. DHS would need a reception and waiting area, conference room, seven offices, breakroom and space for file storage and a server room. Auditor Sathoff also spoke with Krieger and Matthew Madsen from DHS on how the financial side works with DHS. Currently Emmet County is reimbursed for approximately 35% of DHS expenses.

There is something in the Iowa Code that states DHS can pay a private party rent but cannot pay the County rent. However, they can pay for any improvements to the facility and amortize improvements over a 10-year period to pay the county back for such improvements. Madsen also said that the cost of moving DHS and utilities could be reimbursed to the County at the approximately 35% rate.

Motion by Hansen, second by Pluth to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Amy M. Sathoff
Auditor

Jeff Quastad
Chair