

Unapproved Minutes Emmet County Board of Supervisors

March 10, 2020

Regular Meeting 9:00 a.m.

Board Room, Courthouse

Present: John Pluth, Chair
Jeff Quastad, Vice-Chair
Roger Hash
Tim Schumacher
Todd Glasnapp

Absent:

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

During public forum, Schumacher shared that he met with the Third Judicial District and that there is a potential plan of adding 11 potential positions.

Pluth asked for thoughts on the Annex Building tour. Kathy Preston is working on a plan for the building use.

The Board also discussed the DHS Building and the Duitsman Building.

Dan Burton, Emmet County Engineer's Office presented three utility permits for the Board's approval.

Alliant Energy has applied to run underground electric lines installed at the edge of the county right of way from the corner of Hwy 15, 190th street, and run 1 mile west. The line then runs 1 mile north near Dolliver. Motion by Hash, second by Glasnapp to approve the permit. All ayes, motion carried.

Alliant Energy has applied to run underground electric lines at the edge of the county right of way from the corner of N52 and 120th street and run 1.7 miles west. Motion by Quastad, second by Glasnapp to approve the permit. All ayes, motion carried.

Alliant Energy has applied to put underground electric lines at the edge of the county right of way from the corner of N52 and 130th Street and run 2.4 miles east. The line then runs 1 mile north, 1 mile west back to N52 near Dolliver. Motion by Quastad, second by Glasnapp to approve the permit. All ayes, motion carried.

Burton told the Board the crews were out sanding this morning and will be hauling gravel to Armstrong and that the roads are looking good due to the nice weather.

Motion by Glasnapp, second by Quastad to appoint Derek Young and Tim Oleson as the ED 3 Reclassification Commissioners. All ayes, motion carried.

Emergency Management Director Travis Sheridan shared that he is working with Clay County to obtain a diesel powered 6" water pump to utilize during times of flooding.

The Board and Sheridan discussed how Emmet County is preparing for the COVID-19 virus.

The Board mentioned that the Farm Bureau had mentioned that they would be willing assist in paying for EMT training.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Hash to approve the monthly claims as presented and listed below. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Quastad, second by Glasnapp to approve the drainage claims as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Glasnapp, second by Schumacher to sign the SHIELD Agreement with NW IA Planning and Development Commission for FY2021. All ayes, motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Emmet County Treasurer's monthly report.

Motion by Glasnapp, second by Hash to approve joint drainage claim for reseeding on ECD 61 Main to Darryl Bortvit for \$2,150.00. Dickinson County is control County on ECD 61. All ayes, motion carried.

John Torbert with the Iowa Drainage District Association reported on legislation regarding drainage and the EPA and Army Corps of Engineers and Clean Water Acts Permits for drainage permits. The final rule came out a few weeks ago and if the County is doing a drainage repair, you would not need a Clean Water Act Permit. However, if the County makes a drainage improvement, the County may need a Clean Water Act Permit.

Torbert also discussed the fact that currently US Fish & Wildlife does not pay drainage assessments. Torbert and IDDA are working with Senator Grassley's office to try to get US Fish & Wildlife back to the table regarding drainage assessments. NACO has also recently passed a Resolution regarding the problem.

Torbert went on to state legislation that has been proposed and slowed up. IDDA did propose legislation regarding the amount of information required to be published during reclassification. That legislation did pass out of the House last week. Another piece of legislation that would change remonstrance on a drainage project from 70% to 50% has stalled at this time.

The Board shared an drainage issue that Emmet County is presently facing. Torbert said IDDA could assist with looking into the issue.

The Board reviewed the following Manure Management Plans:

| Owner | Facility Name | Facility ID# |
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| New Fashion Pork | NFP Farm 19-White | 64370 |

Motion by Glasnapp, second by Hash to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Amy M. Sathoff, Emmet County Auditor &
Commissioner of Elections

John Pluth, Chairman