

Unapproved Minutes Emmet County Board of Supervisor Minutes
September 21, 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 Hansen, 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 shared that he had a call from Dickinson County Supervisor, Tim Fairchild regarding the ED 3 Amended Annexation.

Quastad and Mike Tidemann reported on a NW IA Housing Trust zoom meeting they attended.

Quastad informed the Board that the Iowa Drainage District Association will hold their meeting tomorrow, Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. in the Emmet County Board Room.

Auditor Sathoff reported that the FY2021 Emmet County Audit has begun.

Schumacher reported on NW Iowa and RIDES meetings he attended.

Auditor Sathoff reported that the Public Hearing Times for the ED 3 Amended Annexation and Amended Reclassification need to be reset and this can be done separately by the joint boards. Dickinson will send their minutes and Emmet will send our minutes to Dickinson County.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Hansen to set the ED 3 Amended Annexation Public Hearing to 11:00 a.m. on October 12, 2021 and the ED 3 Amended Reclassification Public Hearing to 11:20 a.m. on that same day. All ayes, motion carried.

The Board considered a 28E Agreement with Elderbridge. Motion by Glasnapp, second by Pluth to sign the 28E Agreement with Elderbridge. All ayes, motion carried.

Auditor Sathoff reported that banking and the IRS require two factor authentication and is requesting a \$20 monthly cell phone stipend for Heidi Goebel and Roxanne Budach. Elections will also be going to the same type of authentication.

Recorder Diann Minion joined the meeting and reported that Iowa Public Health will probably be requiring the same thing.

Heidi Goebel from the Auditor's office joined the meeting and reported that IRS required personal account paperwork to be mailed to her home address and that it has to be her personal cell phone used to provide secondary authentication to access the IRS website. Bank Plus requires this two factor authentication also.

Motion by Glasnapp, second by Pluth to approve the stipend requested. Ayes: Schumacher, Hansen, Pluth and Glasnapp. Nays: Quastad.

Perry Russell with the American Legion joined the meeting to share the prototype of the holders for the flags in Library Square and the Courthouse. The flag holders are \$18.00 each and made by C&G Manufacturing. The flag holders will also be galvanized. The project is 500 flag holders and would cost a total of \$9,000.

Motion by Pluth, second by Schumacher to put \$5,000 toward the project via the Non Departmental Miscellaneous line item in the FY2022 Budget. All ayes, motion carried.

Emmet County Engineer, Walter Davis-Oeth joined the meeting telephonically via Zoom. Davis-Oeth presented Utility Permits for the Board's approval.

The first permit is for Ringtel and it will run fiber communications cable on 25th street between 530th avenue and 540th avenue to a hog site located at 5340 250th Avenue.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Pluth to approve the permit as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

The second permit is for Ringtel and it will run fiber communications from the northwest corner of intersection of 260th street and 570th avenue, south on the west side of 570th avenue approximately 2870' to the hog site located at 2655 570th avenue fiber cable is proposed to be plowed at a minimum depth of 36" and all culverts and road crossing would be directionally bored.

Motion by Hansen, second by Glasnapp to approve the permit as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

The third permit is for Ringtel and it will run fiber communications on 24th street between 520th avenue and 540th avenue for a hog site located at 5284 240th street. Fiber cable is proposed to be plowed on the north side of 240th street at a minimum depth of 36". All culverts would be directionally bored a minimum of 10' beneath the bottom of the culvert.

Motion by Glasnapp, second by Schumacher to approve the permit as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Mike Hawkins and Rob Patterson from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) joined the meeting to discuss the DNR's plans for West Swan Lake.

Emmet County Resident, Richard McKean also joined the meeting for the discussion.

Hawkins shared the plan is to temporarily and slowly lower the lake level by three to four feet over a course of one to two years and then adding aquatic plants to the lake. And at some point the lake would be re-stocked with blue gill, perch, pike and big mouth bass. The goal of the project is to push the lake into a more clean water state and remove any rough fish such as buffalo, bullhead and carp. The DNR would be building a rock barrier to prevent carp coming down from Ingham Lake.

Supervisor Quastad expressed concerns regarding the carp jumping the wall and silt getting into Jack Creek and the Drainage District. Quastad stated that silt going into the district would be unacceptable.

The DNR representatives stated that they will utilize silt filters and silt controls to minimize silt filtering into the Drainage District. The draw down on the lake would be done slowly and take approximately 1 to 2 months in order minimize the silt.

The DNR will be meeting with land owners and holding a public meeting for input. The engineering on the project is complete and the project is ready to go to bid.

Richard McKean asked the DNR why an electric fence couldn't be put on Ingham to eliminate the carp and leave Swan Lake alone. McKean shared the history of such projects and that he is willing to fight the project.

Supervisor Pluth suggested that engineers go out and measure the creek prior to the project to establish a baseline.

The DNR Representatives stated that they are committed to working with the County.

Supervisor Schumacher stressed the importance of open communication between the DNR and the County.

The Board reviewed the following Manure Management Plans:

Owner	Facility	Facility ID#
Jeff Ulrich	Ulrich	#57876
Scott Park	SLP	#64057

Motion by Pluth, second by Hansen to adjourn the meeting at 11:02 a.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Amy M. Sathoff
Auditor

Jeff Quastad
Chair