

Unapproved Minutes Emmet County Board of Supervisor Minutes
March 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.
Regular Meeting
Board Room, Courthouse

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

Absent: None

Media: Mike Tidemann and Ed Funston

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

During Public forum, Schumacher reported that Emmet County can expect more funds coming with regards to the Opioid Settlement.

Glasnapp reported on the Safety meeting he attended.

Pluth will be attending an Iowa Lakes Corridor Meeting.

Schumacher will be attending a RIDES and Northwest IA Planning meeting and gave a brief update on the ISAC Spring Conference last week.

Hansen will be attending an RSVP meeting.

Chairman Glasnapp presented the following employee service contracts and thanked the group for their service to Emmet County:

Travis Wilson	Secondary Roads	10 years
Travis Fredericksen	Secondary Roads	10 years
Laurie Harvego	Sheriff's Department	10 years
Kevin Swalve	Secondary Roads	15 years
John Pluth	Board of Supervisors	15 years
Michelle Howing	Attorney's Office	20 years
Paula Myhre	Public Health	20 years

Emmet County Engineer, Walter Davis-Oeth joined the meeting along with Nate Reefer of B&W Control Specialists, Bryan Kruse, Emmet County Weed Commissioner and Allison Fisher from the Engineer's Office. Davis-Oeth presented the 2023 Weed Spraying Contract with B&W Control Specialists. The contract is not to exceed \$70,000.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Hansen to approve the contract as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Emmet County Election Deputy, Roxanne Budach joined the meeting and presented the First-Tier Canvass of the North Union Community School District Special Election held on March 7, 2023 as follows:

**MARCH 7, 2023
NORTH UNION COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL ELECTION PUBLIC MEASURE A- REVENUE PURPOSE STATEMENT AND
PUBLIC MEASURE B -PHYSICAL PLANT & EQUIPMENT LEVY (PPEL)
CANVASS REPORT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Tier 1 Canvass, March 14th, 2023

PROVISIONAL BALLOTS = 0 REJECTED = 0 BALLOTS RECEIVED AFTER ELECTION DAY = 0
NORTH UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT REGISTERED VOTERS FOR EMMET & PALO ALTO COUNTY = 1235
PUBLIC MEASURE A – REVENUE PURPOSE STATEMENT BALLOTS CAST TOTAL 106

Absentee	0		
Election Day	106		
Yes	98	Passed Tier 1	Kossuth Tier 2 March 21st
No	7		
Undervote	1		
Overvote	0		
VOTER TURNOUT	8.58%		

PUBLIC MEASURE B – PHYSICAL PLANT & EQUIPMENT LEVY (PPEL) BALLOTS CAST TOTAL 106

Absentee	0		
Election Day	106		
Yes	98	Passed Tier 1	Kossuth Tier 2 March 21st
No	8		
Undervote	0		
Overvote	0		
VOTER TURNOUT	8.58%		

Last North Union Community School District Revenue Purpose Statement & PPEL Special was February 4th, 2014 with voter turnout 6.12% (145 out of 2368)

NOTES REGARDING THIS ELECTION:

- Emmet County was control county over Palo Alto County.
- Ringsted was open for North Union voters from Ringsted area and Palo Alto County.
- Armstrong was open for North Union Voters from Armstrong, Dolliver and Gruver area.
- Kossuth County was open with three public measures and official results will be in Tier 2 for the North Union School Districts Public Measures A & B.

POST ELECTION AUDIT:

Monday, March 13th at 1:30 pm – Emmet County Board Room

The Secretary of State chose to audit the Armstrong polling place with the Public Measure B results being audited. This was successful.

Motion by Pluth, second by Schumacher to approve the First-Tier Canvass as presented. All ayes, motion carried. Second-Tier Canvass will be next week.

The Board reviewed the monthly Treasurer's meeting.

Heidi Goebel from the Emmet County Auditor's office joined the meeting and the Board reviewed the monthly claims. Motion by Pluth, second by Quastad to approve the monthly claims. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Quastad, second by Hansen to approve the drainage claims. All ayes, motion carried.

The Board considered the safety program SHIELD agreement with Northwest Iowa Planning and Development. Motion by Quastad, second by Pluth to approve the agreement. All ayes, motion carried.

The Board discussed the sponsorship request from the Veterans Action Corp. The Board will continue to support Emmet County Veterans but will not be funding this particular request.

The Board discussed the proposed hiring and wage matrix for the Emmet County Auditor, Treasurer and Recorder's offices. Emmet County Recorder, Diann Minion and Emmet County Treasurer, Lisa Rosburg joined the meeting for the discussion. Minion is in favor of the matrix. Supervisor Quastad would like to see the time frame extended on the matrix but is in favor of standardization.

Motion by Schumacher to approve the matrix as presented (Version 4a) for FY2024, second by Hansen. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Schumacher to approve 10% wage increases for those Emmet County employees not affected by the matrix for FY2024, second by Pluth. All ayes, motion carried.

EMA Director, Travis Sheridan joined the meeting to discuss the Hazardous Mitigation plan. It is a \$30,000 pass through grant. This was budgeted for next year, but bills are coming in monthly. Consensus of the Board was to fund the plan through the Board of Supervisors Departmental Budget. Auditor Sathoff has set up the revenue and expenditure line items for the pass-through grant.

Ivan Dalen with Estherville Communications joined the meeting along with the Emmet County IT Director interview committee. The Board discussed the proposed IT Director position and its structure whether it be reactive as it has been in the past or proactive and moving forward. The Committee feels that Emmet County needs to have an employee in house and available on a daily basis.

Dalen would like to work with the county in order to ensure the network stability. The Board will adjourn and meet with the IT Director interview committee regarding potential candidates.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Pluth to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Amy M. Sathoff, Emmet County Auditor

Todd Glasnapp, Chairman