

Unapproved Emmet County Board of Supervisor Minutes
August 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.
Regular Meeting
Board Room, Courthouse

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

Absent:

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Chairman Pluth, called the meeting to order. The Board and all present recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by Hash, second by Schumacher, to approve the minutes from last week's meeting, also approving them for publication. All ayes, motion carried.

During public forum, Auditor, Amy M. Sathoff shared with the Board that long time Emmet County Clerk of Court Cynthia Kelly retired and the Dickinson County Clerk of Court Marcia Eckerman will now be Emmet County's Clerk of Court.

Sathoff also shared with the Board a letter from the State of Iowa regarding state funds for County Veterans Affairs office. The amount of funds for FY2021 will be \$10,000.

Pluth shared that he had been contacted by a company that was interested in renting space on Emmet County's tower.

Schumacher recently met with a farmer regarding the effectiveness of weed spraying this year. Schumacher would like to form a committee with a few farmers, our weed commissioner and two Supervisors to meet and discuss. Schumacher and Quastad will serve on the committee.

Walter Davis-Oeth, Emmet County Engineer reported that the N26 project is near completion and centerline and shoulders will be done next week. Davis-Oeth also reported on various road maintenance projects and the crews will probably continue on 4, 10 hour days as long as possible.

Motion by Quastad, second by Schumacher to pay the monthly claims as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Quastad, second by Glasnapp to approve the drainage claims as presented, but removing the following:

B&W Control Specialists	\$ 177.25
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B& W Control Specialists	\$13,325.50

All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Glasnapp to approve \$3,681.66 in L.O.S.S.T. funds for Emmet County's portion of the Christensen Building Generator hookup. All ayes, motion carried.

The Board reviewed the monthly report from the Treasurer.

Supervisor Hash left the meeting at 9:45 am.

Auditor, Amy M. Sathoff reported that there was a Department Head meeting yesterday and group discussed issues with the Thermascan. The group also discussed the closing policy when/if a department has to be closed down due to COVID19. Consensus was that our policy is in line with CDC recommendations. If a person does not have symptoms and needs to come in to perform work duties things after hours, they will need to contact Tom Egeland to let him know for cleaning purposes.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Glasnapp, to approve the following joint drainage district claim for payment:

District	Vendor	Amount	Description
EPA 17	B&W Control Specialists	\$12,067.88	Weed Control

All ayes, motion carried.

The Board reviewed the following Manure Management Plans:

Owner	Facility Name	Facility ID#
Dustin Tirevold	Farm 182 – Dustin Tirevold	#64087
New Fashion Pork	Farm 254 – Morlins	#68548
Prestage Farms of Iowa LLC	PI 292 Finisher	#65426

Marlys Nelson and Julie Laid representing the Ringsted Community Improvement Organization presented their plan to renovate a church in Ringsted and turn it into a Danish Heritage Center.

The church needs mold remediation. Cost of the remediation is \$24,750 and they are requesting L.O.S.S.T. funding. The Board will consider this funding next week. Auditor Sathoff said that we could consider doing something like this for Ringsted at budget time also. Currently, Emmet County contributes \$1,500 to the Armstrong Historical Society and \$6,000 to the Emmet County Historical Society annually.

Chairman Pluth adjourned the meeting 10:25 am.

Amy M. Sathoff
Emmet County Auditor

John Pluth
Chairman