

Unapproved Minutes Emmet County Board of Supervisors  
September 11, 2018  
Regular Meeting  
Board Room, Courthouse

Present: Bev Juhl, Chair  
John Pluth, Vice-Chair  
Jeff Quastad  
Roger Hash  
Tim Schumacher

Absent:

Juhl, Chair, called the meeting to order. The motion was made by Pluth, seconded by Quastad, to approve the minutes from last week's meeting, also approving them for publication. All ayes, motion carried.

During public forum, Michelle Ingvall, owner and operator of Estherville Abstract, extended an invitation to the Board to a meeting that is going to be held at Iowa Lakes Electric on Wednesday, September 26, 2018. At 2:00 p.m., there will be a meeting on the Master Matrix and the Good Neighbor Policy, presented by Palo Alto Supervisor, Linus Solberg.

Juhl shared with the Board information from a call she received last night. They are spreading gravel on N26 on the shoulders. This gravel is spreading out on the blacktop and with trucks hauling, windshields are being broken. Chair Juhl will speak with our Engineer.

Hash attended a meeting last week for Compass Pointe.

Schumacher attended a Third Judicial District meeting last Friday in Sioux City.

At 9:10 a.m., Richard Mullen, representing the Armstrong VFW, came before the Board after last week's request from LeRoy Strong, also representing the VFW, to request funding for a new venting system over the grills at the VFW. The new venting system costs \$18,000 of which the VFW has raised \$9,000 to date. It was moved by Pluth, seconded by Hash, to grant funding from the Local Option Sales and Services Tax (LOSST) funds for \$5,000. Roll call vote was taken: Ayes: Schumacher, Hash, Quastad, Pluth and Juhl. Nays: none. All ayes, motion carried. Juhl stated that this is a fund that we decide separately on each request that comes before the Board whether to grant the funding.

At 9:30 a.m., the Public Hearing for the Jack Creek 17 Site, Summit Pork II LLP, Facility ID #70491, located in the NW ¼ NE ¼ of Section 17, Township 98 N, Range 32, Jack Creek Township was called to order. Representing the site was Kent Krause from Pinnacle. Quastad and Schumacher attended the site visit. Schumacher explained his concerns are adding additional costs to the County to upgrade Class B roads to Class A roads. They will re-visit with the Engineer on this matter. It was stated by Krause that Mitch Baum, Business Development Manager for Summit Agricultural Group, had had some conversation on the split of costs on re-doing roads with Walter Davis-Oeth, Emmet County Engineer. Davis-Oeth, Engineer, did call into the Board meeting and the Board questioned him on these two new sites and the road conditions. They will re-visit this procedure at the next Board meeting.

Discussion was held about disposal of the dead animals. Krause stated that he was going to respond honestly, stating that it will probably not be composting. He stated that composting is not a good option on this site or the next public hearing site, stating it comes down to labor management. He stated that disposal of animals will either be by incineration or rendering. Krause stated that incineration is not the most conservative measure. He stated that the rendering will probably be the option used, but that is not going to be at the rendering facility in Estherville. Juhl asked how many sites have the composting. Krause stated that he is aware of one compost site for hog confinements, otherwise all are rendering and they are looking into the incineration process.

The matrix score for the site is 445. There will be landscaping on the North & East sides of the facility, because the separation distance starting out is not so great. Krause explained certain points on the matrix. There were no written comments and no public comments. It was moved by Schumacher, seconded by Hash to close the public hearing. All ayes, motion carried. The Public Hearing was closed. It was moved by Quastad, seconded by Pluth, to recommend the matrix score of 445 points and forward the letter of recommendation to the DNR. Ayes, Hash, Quastad, Pluth and Juhl. Nays: Schumacher. Motion carried.

At 10:00 a.m., the Board held a public hearing for the FY 19 Budget Amendment.

The amendment is for the following:

**FY2019 BUDGET AMENDMENT SUMMARY**

EXPENDITURES		
Department	Reason	Amount
General Services	Water Line East Side of Courthouse	\$ 22,260.00

General Services	Replace Courthouse Boiler	\$ 40,000.00
	<b>Total General Services</b>	<b>\$ 62,260.00</b>
	<b>Total SA 9 Administration</b>	<b>\$ 62,260.00</b>
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 62,260.00</b>

It was moved by Quastad, seconded by Hash to close the public hearing. All ayes, motion carried. The Public Hearing was closed. There were no written comments and no one from the public was here to speak on the amendment. It was moved by Schumacher, seconded by Quastad to approve the FY2019 budget amendment in amount of \$62,260.00 for a new boiler for the courthouse and replacing the water line on the east side of the Courthouse. All ayes, motion carried.

At 10:15 a.m., the Board held the Public Hearing for the Denmark 24 Site, Summit Pork II LLP, located in Section 24, Township 98N, Range 31, Denmark Township. Representing the site was Kent Krause from Pinnacle. No members from the public spoke and the Board received no written comments. Discussion on the site was held with Krause going through the questions on the master matrix. It was moved by Schumacher, seconded by Hash to close the public hearing. All ayes, motion carried. The public hearing was closed. It was moved by Quastad, seconded by Hash, to recommend the matrix score of 445 points and forward the letter of recommendation to the DNR. Ayes: Hash, Quastad, Pluth and Juhl. Nays: Schumacher. Motion carried.

Quastad stated that he became aware of some additional information he did not know about on the master matrix. If at the beginning of the year, the Board does not sign the Construction Evaluation Resolution concerning the master matrix, that that the only item that the new construction application has to meet is the separation distance. Krause stated that yes, by participating in the matrix, you do force the applicants to meet higher expectations, for example landscaping (trees) etc.

It was moved by Schumacher, seconded by Quastad, to approve the County's claims as listed in the claims register. All ayes, motion carried.

It was moved by Quastad, seconded by Pluth, to approve the drainage claims as listed. All ayes, motion carried.

The Board was presented a bill from control county, Dickinson, for joint drainage district ECD#61 (Emmet, Clay & Dickinson) for \$7,990.10 payable to Jacobson-Westergard & Associates. For joint drainage district ECD#61 Branch 61 engineering services for cleanout in the amount of \$2,183.10 and ECD#61 drainage district engineering services for reclassification and cleanout in the amount of \$5,807.00 totaling \$7990.10. It was moved by Quastad, seconded by Pluth, to have Board Chair sign the joint bill and return to control county, Dickinson, for payment. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Quastad, seconded by Hash, to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m. All ayes, motion carried.

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Colleen Anderson, Assistant to the Auditor

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Bev Juhl, Chair