

Approved Minutes Emmet County Board of Supervisor Minutes

June 4, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Regular Meeting

Board Room, Courthouse

Present: John Pluth, Chair

Jeff Quastad Vice-Chair

Roger Hash

Tim Schumacher, arrived at 9:09

Todd Glasnapp

Absent:

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

During public forum, Hash stated that Monday he had attended the North Central Iowa Early Childhood Development meeting and stated everything is going well. Schumacher attended a meeting in Des Moines last Thursday for the realignment of the workforce regions.

Barb Bohm, Emmet County Assessor, shared with the Board an update on Stateline Cooperative/Halfa Feed Mill court case. Stateline Coop has now appealed their case to the Iowa Supreme Court.

The Emmet County Engineer's Department, represented by Office Manager, Allison Fisher, presented the bids for the fuel letting. There were three fuel bids and four LP bids presented. It was moved by Quastad, seconded by Glasnapp, to approve the low fuel bid from NuWay-K & H Cooperative (Gruver) for \$58,405.20 and the low bid for LP from Ferrellgas (Estherville) for \$7,275.00.(7500 gal @0.97) Ayes: Schumacher, Quastad, Glasnapp and Pluth. Nays: Hash. Motion carried. In attendance for Pro Cooperative from the Estherville office were Kevin Toillion and Jean Watters.

It was moved by Glasnapp, seconded by Hash, to approve the cell phone stipend for the Assistant County Attorney, Pamela Dettmann, for \$20 per month. All ayes motion carried. The Board welcomed Dettmann to Emmet County.

The Board reviewed the MMP for owner, New Fashion Pork, Facility Name Farm 253-Sanderson, Facility #68455. The Board also reviewed a letter from the DNR of Notice of Intent to Issue a Permit for K & T Swine 3 Site, Facility ID #70491.

The Board received Kossuth County's joint board action request in preparation for a special drainage levy against TRI 84 (Emmet calls this EKPA#1), due to outstanding warrants and claims against the joint drainage district. This joint drainage district involves Kossuth, Palo Alto and Emmet Counties. Control county, Kossuth, is requesting a levy of \$100,000 (Kossuth \$58,440, Palo Alto \$7940 and Emmet \$33,620. It was moved by Schumacher, seconded by Hash, to approve the joint levy and have Chairman sign joint levy and return to control county, Kossuth. All ayes, motion carried. Emmet County will levy for their portion owing with this fall's taxes.

Another joint levy request was presented for joint approval for TRI84 Lateral 52. This joint ditch involves Emmet, Kossuth and Palo Alto Counties. This Lateral lies entirely in Emmet County and the amount of the levy amount asking for is \$3,190.70 for outstanding warrants and claims. It was moved by Schumacher, seconded by Quastad, to approve this joint levy, have Chair Pluth sign and return levy assessment to control county, Kossuth. All ayes, motion carried. Emmet County will levy this assessment on their tax statements this fall.

The Board was presented a Drainage Petition. signed by Jeff Jones, for Drainage District #12, requesting that Joshua Gardner clean all the ditch on the west side of the road, from the south where it starts to the north along the gravel road. It was moved by Quastad, seconded by Schumacher to accept the petition. All ayes, motion carried.

Also presented were joint claims for Chair signage. Two joint claims are for joint drainage district ECD#61 (Emmet, Clay and Dickinson). A claim payable to Dickinson County News for \$13,727.84, representing the costs of running the add in the newspaper for the upcoming Public Hearing on June 20, 2019 for drainage district ECD#61, and to the Dickinson County Auditor for postage expense and mass mailings, incurred from the mailing of notices to landowners, also for district ECD#61's upcoming hearing for \$547.55. It was moved by Schumacher, seconded by Hash to have Chair sign and return the joint claims to control county, Dickinson for payment. All ayes, motion carried.

Another claim for joint ECD#61, Branch 61 payable to Jacobson-Westergard for \$579.90 was presented to the Board for Chair signature. The bill is for May engineering services for Branch 61 cleanout. It was moved by Glasnapp, seconded by Quastad to have Chair Pluth sign the joint claim and return to control county, Dickinson for payment. All ayes, motion carried.

The Board reviewed the joint claim for ED#3 (Emmet & Dickinson). It was moved by Quastad, seconded by Glasnapp to have Board Chair sign the joint claim. Emmet County is the control county for this joint district. The bill is to Jacobson-Westergard for \$5,881.00 for engineering services in May for completion of topographic survey and work on the final design and specifications for this district. The bill has been forwarded to joint County, Dickinson for signage also. Emmet County will pay this bill.

Quastad also discussed with Board the situation with Minnesota concerning drainage district #70 and JD#53 (Minnesota's). He has been talking to the Commissioner in Minnesota concerning work that needs to be done involving these drainage districts. The Minnesota Commissioner stated that they have moved to do a redetermination of their district. Emmet County Board feels that before the proposed work requested by Gary Janssen can be done, some sort of Agreement should be signed first. Minnesota wants the redetermination of their district to be done first. Pluth stated then we would re-evaluate the numbers after the redetermination is complete. Quastad will keep in touch with Martin County concerning this situation.

A motion was made by Quastad, seconded by Glasnapp, to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 a.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Colleen Anderson
Clerk to Board of Supervisors

John Pluth,
Chairman