

Unapproved Minutes Emmet County Board of Supervisor Minutes
July 30, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.
Regular Meeting
Board Room, Courthouse

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

Absent:

Pluth, Chair, called the meeting to order. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance. It was moved by Schumacher, seconded by Glasnapp, to approve the minutes from last week's meeting also approving them for publication after making a correction to the Notice of Hearing and Letting for ED#3. The minutes approved should have read \$340,674.67. All ayes, motion carried.

During public forum Schumacher discussed the Season's meeting last week. Hash attended the ECCOG meeting. Pluth stated he thought the fair was very successful this year.

Walter Davis-Oeth, Emmet County Engineer presented the following Utility Permits for approval:

- Iowa Lakes Regional Water for a 1 ½" service line on 440th Ave going east and west between Sections 10 & 11 of Center Township. It was moved by Quastad, seconded by Hash, at the recommendation of the Engineer, to approve this permit. All ayes, motion carried.
- Iowa Lakes Electric in Emmet Township Section 9 on 100th St, boring single cable on County Line on N26. It was moved by Glasnapp, seconded by Quastad, at the recommendation of the Engineer, to approve this permit. All ayes, motion carried.

Discussion was next held with Davis-Oeth concerning the fuel pumps at the Estherville shop. He presented the Board with the proposals to replace the fuel pumps and computer technology.

Engineer also reiterated that they are on borrowed time with the computer systems for the pumps. Pluth asked about the Cardtrol system currently being used at Pro Cooperative in Estherville. Davis-Oeth stated that he would look into their procedure for the Cardtrol system.

He stated the proposal would be close to \$36,000. This would be updating the entire systems' technology and install new pumps. He would find the money out of his existing budget and move some numbers around.

At 9:30 a.m., the Public Hearing for the East Ingham Livestock Site, Facility ID #60764, located in the NE ¼ NW ¼ of Section 36, Township 100 N, Range 32W, Lincoln Township was called to order. Representing the site was Kent Krause from Pinnacle. Dennis and Eric Olson, owners of the site attended. Krause stated that this site was purchased by the Olsons from Christensen Farms. The former site burned down a few years ago and the site has been cleared and cleaned up. There would be covered manure storage. Krause stated the matrix scoring scored well at 450 points and is based on today's scoring.

Krause went through the matrix questions and scoring with the Board. Due to a miscommunication, our Board did not attend the site visit that was held on July 19, 2019.

There were no written comments and no public comments. It was moved by Schumacher, seconded by Quastad, to close the public hearing. All ayes, motion carried. The Public Hearing was closed. It was moved by Glasnapp, seconded by Quastad, to recommend the matrix score of 450 points and forward the letter of recommendation to the DNR. Ayes, Hash, Quastad, Pluth, Juhl and Schumacher. Nays: none Motion carried.

Engineer Davis-Oeth came back before the Board to ask to hire a temporary part- time help for his office, with the duties of accounting, paying bills, etc. It would be around 15-20 hours per week. Davis-Oeth would like to start advertising for the position soon. He will also need to have someone within the courthouse to pick up some other duties for a short term, those duties being the Safety Committee Secretary and Workmen’s Compensation duties. It was moved by Hash, seconded by Glasnapp, to approve the hiring of temporary help for his office. All ayes, motion carried.

An invoice for DD127 to Martin County, Minnesota came before the Board for approval for \$2,364.77 from the Auditor’s office. This is an outlet fee charge for drainage district #70. It was moved by Quastad, seconded by Glasnapp, to approve the invoice and have Pluth, Chair sign the Invoice and forward to Martin County for payment. All ayes, motion carried.

The Board received a letter from the Dickinson County Attorney representing the Dickinson County Board of Supervisors stating their opposition for Clay County’s drainage district #37 request. Clay County is asking that joint drainage district ECD#61 be annexed into drainage district #37 or ECD#61 be required to pay an outlet fee to ditch 37. The Board will have the County’s Drainage Attorney, Rich Meyer, prepare a letter of opposition for Emmet County.

The Board discussed a check that was returned from the YMCA that was issued to Emmet County Kinship, stating that due to changes in the Child Abuse Prevention policies at YUSA and with their liability insurance provider, they can no long offer traditional community-based mentoring programs. They stated at this time, they do not have an established school-based mentoring program in Emmet County and until we are able to get a program established in the county, we will be returning these program support funds. At budget time, the Board will reconsider this request for the next FY’s support.

Tom Egeland, Custodian, came before the Board with further air reports for the odor issues in the Assessor’s office. Nothing was found in either the Assessor or Auditor’s offices. In the Boiler room, some spores were found that could be mold.

On the flat roof on the north side of the courthouse, all the rain off the flat roof, comes back into the building in the boiler room pit, also part of the roof of the courthouse drains onto that flat roof. This level of water always stays at about a foot in the pit. Pluth asked what the alternative to remedy the odor situation is. Egeland’s suggestion was putting a sloped roof over the garage and not direct the water into the building. Schumacher suggested putting a dehumidifier in the boiler room. Supervisors suggested maybe some sort of air treatment in the boiler room is needed. Air conditioning in the hallways was also a suggestion to keep the air moving. Egeland is just guessing and thinking of different possible solutions. Pluth thanked Egeland for his information. Schumacher asked how we keep the water from coming back into the building. Egeland stated that the gutters go directly into the storm drains. The perimeter tile around the building comes back into the courthouse. Quastad stated that what needs to be done is sealing the pit, but it is hard to do and you may lose having visual access to the pit, which Egeland checks almost every day.

The Board reviewed the MMPs for:

Owner Calvin Bremer	Bremer Calvin Facility	ID#62200
Owner Derek Shumski	Shumski Derek Facility	ID#58949
Owner Cole Wegener	Cole Wegener Facility	ID#57872

A motion was made by Quastad, seconded by Glasnapp, to adjourn the meeting at 10:44 a.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Colleen Anderson
Clerk to Board of Supervisors

John Pluth,
Chairman

