

Unapproved Minutes Emmet County Board of Supervisor Minutes
October 15, 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 Glasnapp, seconded by Hash, to approve the minutes from last week's meeting with a correction, also approving them for publication. All ayes, motion carried.

During public forum, the Supervisors discussed meetings that they attended last week. Schumacher stated he would be going to Des Moines tomorrow. Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) is starting a new certified Supervisor Program. They will design a program that would be constructive for new Supervisors and present Supervisors. It would be a continuing education program, just like other County offices now have. Schumacher has been appointed Chair of this program and Burlin Matthews, Supervisor from Clay County, will be the ISAC President in 2020.

Quastad stated that last week he attended a HAZMAT meeting in Mason City and attended a RSVP meeting the other day.

Pluth attended an Iowa Lakes Corridor meeting last week. He stated that there would be an annual meeting for the Corridor at the Spencer Events Center on November 13, 2019. The public is invited to attend at 11:30 a.m. He stated that Iowa Lakes Electric has collaborated with Iowa Lakes Corridor on sharing a computer program.

Mike Martens, Sheriff, stated that the meetings with the City of Estherville, concerning the new proposed building, went well. The building is now flagged out at the site per the Board of Adjustment's request. Martens stated that the next meeting is this Wednesday at 5:15 before the Board of Adjustment. Providing that things go as planned with the City, he would like to start immediately on the building. He stated that the Contractors are on board.

It was moved by Glasnapp, seconded by Quastad, to amend the Supervisors FY20 budget for the Local Option Sales and Service Tax (L.O.S.S.T) fund for \$25,000 for the extra cost of the new building for the Sheriff's office, Emergency Management and Public Health. All ayes, motion carried.

Martens thanked the Board for moving forward on this project. It will be a great and needed addition for his office.

Brenda Moore, Treasurer, and Amy Sathoff, Auditor, came before the Board to explain to the Board about how the County can start buying stamped warrants. Sathoff stated that when the Treasurer re-did the Investment Policy, she included purchasing stamped warrants, so everything about purchasing of warrants is ready.

Quastad stated at the time of a ditch assessment, it is important to assess the property owners within the district, for the entire amount owing. Amy M. Sathoff, Auditor, stated to the Board that you need to inform the Treasurer's office of how much you as a Board want to invest in Stamped Warrants. Quastad suggested that when the opportunity arises, the Board definitely wants to buy the stamped warrants, if the Contractor needs to sell them. The Supervisors want to include their name on the list of buyers for stamped warrants. They will put their name at the bottom of the list.

Quastad stated that once the stamped warrants are called in by the Treasurer, the interest stops accruing on them. When the Treasurer calls the warrants in they will be called in by number order, with the lowest number being called in first. The interest accrues from the date of purchase through the date the Treasurer calls the stamped warrants in for payment.

The Board reviewed the Homestead and Military New Credit Applications. They also reviewed those military and homesteads that were disallowed. The owners of the disallowed credits will be sent a letter stating that their credit has been removed from their taxes. It was moved by Hash, seconded by Schumacher, to approve the new Homestead and Military Applications as listed and approve the credits that have been disallowed. All ayes, motion carried.

The Board reviewed the quarterly report of the Auditor and the Recorder.

The Board held some discussion concerning the proposed nuisance ordinance.

The Board reviewed the annual Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) for Bruce Guse, Facility Name: Guse Family Farm Corp - #2 South Site, ID#62492.

A motion was made by Quastad, seconded by Glasnapp, to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 a.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Colleen Anderson
Clerk to Board of Supervisors

John Pluth,
Chairman