

HARDIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MINUTES – MARCH 18, 2020  
WEDNESDAY - 9:00 A.M.  
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

Chair Lance Granzow called the meeting to order. The meeting location was changed in response to the COVID-19 outbreak. Also present were Supervisor Reneé McClellan; and Jessica Sheridan, Dave McDaniel, Matt Jones, Darrell Meyer, Angela De La Riva, Machel Eichmeier, Don Knoell, Jody Mesch, Lori Kadner, Carey Callaway, Jessica Lara, Pauline Lloyd, Linn Adams, Justin Ites, and Angela Silvey. Supervisor BJ Hoffman was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the minutes of March 11, 2020; March 13, 2020; and March 16, 2020. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the March 18, 2020 claims for payment. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to table the addition of Rural Iowa Waste Management Association to the County's Avesis eyecare plan. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the Workforce Development merger with Region 6 and Region 10. The merger will become effective once all member counties and the State approve and a 28E agreement is executed. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the application for use of Courthouse grounds submitted by Iowa's Ride Eldora for July 14, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the Commercial Tax Abatement Policy. Questions were received from Machel Eichmeier and Don Knoell. Roll Call Vote: "Ayes" McClellan and Granzow. "Nays" None. Absent: Hoffman. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to table the Community Betterment Match (Signage) Grant. Motion carried.

Granzow explained that due to a new 28E agreement with Greenbelt Home Care, a new Supervisor representative needed to be appointed, as the same Supervisor should not serve on the Board of Health and GHC Board. Granzow moved, McClellan seconded to remove Hoffman from the Board of Health, appoint McClellan in his place, and appoint Granzow as alternate. Motion carried.

Granzow moved, McClellan seconded to appoint McClellan as the County Public Information Officer for contact during the COVID-19 emergency. Motion carried.

Thomas Craighton, Emergency Management Coordinator, provided a COVID-19 update. Craighton spoke about the Governor's gathering size restriction, consequences for non-compliance, and electronic meetings becoming the norm. Craighton encouraged social distancing and requested residents call 211 or Hansen Family Hospital's hotline if in need of testing.

Discussion was held on closing County offices to the public to prevent coronavirus spread and maintaining continuity of services. Following input from Carey Callaway, Quaker Security; and department heads in attendance, McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to close the County courthouse and offices to the public, subject to any exceptions adopted by County departments, effective March 18, 2020 at noon. Roll Call Vote: "Ayes" McClellan and Granzow. "Nays" None. Absent: Hoffman. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the resignation of Kattrina Wilcox, Dispatch Supervisor, effective 03/27/2020. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None.

Other Business:

Granzow reminded attendees of the FY 2020/2021 county budget hearing to be held next week. Since physical attendance will be restricted, the public should submit any comments in writing or can attend remotely via Zoom.

Jody Mesch, Property Manager, had questions on signage.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

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Lance Granzow, Chair  
Board of Supervisors

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Jessica Lara  
Hardin County Auditor