

HARDIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES – AUGUST 12, 2020
WEDNESDAY - 9:00 A.M.
COURTHOUSE LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

Chair Lance Granzow called the meeting to order. The meeting was held electronically due to COVID-19 public health risks. Also in attendance were Supervisors BJ Hoffman and Reneé McClellan; and Thomas Craighton, Ken Nason, Bret Dublinske, Connie Mesch, Curt Groen, JD Holmes, Justin Ites, Mariah Lynne, Dave McDaniel, Josh Odom, Nick Boeyink, Tifani Eisentrager, Bette Dossman, Max Friedman, Rocky Reents, Abby Flatness, Donna Juber, Bob Juber, Julie Duhn, Machel Eichmeier, Kerri Johannsen, Lori Kadner, Laura Cunningham, Bernie Koehrsen, Taylor Roll, Michael Pearce, Darrell Meyer, Angela De La Riva, Jessica Sheridan, and Angela Silvey.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2020 Emergency Meeting. Motion carried.

Action on the August 12, 2020 claims for payment was tabled until after the Department Head Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to approve the first consideration of the amendment to Article XXIII of Ordinance No. 29, Amendment No. 4. Roll Call Vote: “Ayes” Hoffman, McClellan, and Granzow. “Nays” None. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to waive the second consideration of the amendment to Article XXIII of Ordinance No. 29, Amendment No. 4. Roll Call Vote: “Ayes” Hoffman, McClellan, and Granzow. “Nays” None. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to set 9:05 a.m. on August 19, 2020 for the final consideration and adoption of the amendment to Article XXIII of Ordinance No. 29, Amendment No. 4. Roll Call Vote: “Ayes” McClellan, Hoffman, and Granzow. “Nays” None. Motion carried.

Utility Permits:

McClellan moved Hoffman seconded to approve Hardin County Utility Permit Application No. UT-20-030 submitted by AFG on behalf of Uniti Dark Fiber. Motion carried.

Secondary Roads:

County Engineer Taylor Roll advised most roads are open following Monday’s derecho.

McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded that the following Resolution No. 2020-34, a resolution setting public hearing on a vacation of streets and alleys outside Steamboat Rock, be adopted. According to Roll, the City of Steamboat Rock already had its hearing on the vacation. Roll Call Vote: “Ayes” McClellan, Hoffman, and Granzow. “Nays” None. Resolution No. 2020-34 is hereby adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-34

SETTING PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, a request has been received to vacate streets and alleys within Hardin County, Iowa described as follows:

All streets and alleys located outside the corporate limits of the Town of Steamboat Rock (as those corporate limits are constituted on the 1st day of August, 2020) and located within Hardin County, Iowa as platted in the County Recorder’s Book C, Pages 87-88, between a line 50.00’ offset Southerly from the Centerline of the former Eldora Railroad and Coal Company Railway and lying North and West of the Centerline of the Iowa

River as said streets and alleys are platted through and around Blocks 47, 48, 49, 50, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 100 and 103; excluding any property under title to said Railroad (or its successors); except properties listed in County Recorder's Book 435, Page 444 and Book 541, Pages 60, 154, and 228; and except that portion of Eleventh Street lying between Blocks 68 and 69 and south of said 50.00' offset line from said Railroad.

WHEREAS, this matter should be set for public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Hardin County Board of Supervisors that public hearing on the proposed vacation of streets and alleys shall be heard on the 26th day of August, 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 12th day of August, 2020.

HARDIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

/s/ Lance Granzow
Lance Granzow, Chair

ATTEST:

/s/ Jessica Lara
Jessica Lara, Hardin County Auditor

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to appoint Steve Recker to the Veterans Affairs Commission to fill an unexpired term ending 6/30/2022. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to approve the Auditor's Monthly Report for July 2020. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to approve the Recorder's Monthly Report for July 2020. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to approve the Sheriff's Monthly Report for July 2020. Motion carried.

COVID-19 Update:

Emergency Management Coordinator Thomas Craighton advised schools' Return to Learn programs have been approved and schools will be getting shipments of PPE.

Craighton also briefed the board of Monday's derecho, location and scope of damage, and state resources available to individuals. The State and FEMA are gathering damage assessments to determine if Iowa is eligible for a federal disaster declaration.

Public Comments:

Donna Juber read a statement expressing concern about coronavirus incidence among children and existing preventive guidelines, disputing an argument regarding masks, and encouraging mask hygiene.

Other Business:

Granzow stated he reached out to all but two mayors, and the consensus was to follow state guidelines, rather than write to the Governor to recommend a mask mandate.

McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to recess until after the department head meeting at 1:00 p.m. Motion carried.

At 1:00 p.m. the Board met for a department heads/elected officials meeting. The meeting was held electronically due to COVID-19 public health risks. In attendance were Supervisors Granzow and McClellan; and Matt Jones, Justin Ites, Bernie Koehrsen, Cheryl Lawrence, Machel Eichmeier, Dave McDaniel, Julie Duhn, Don Knoell, Connie Mesch, Donna Juber, Bob Juber, Jody Mesch, Darrell Meyer, Taylor Roll, Jessica Sheridan, Angela De La Riva, and Angela Silvey.

No comments were received about the reopening of County buildings.

Granzow reviewed a proposed temperature check policy for entering the County Courthouse, Office Building, and Jail/Sheriff's Office. Questions about visitor record retention, decontamination, and possible scenarios were raised and addressed. Following discussion, changes to the proposed policy were made, including deleting all reference to device recalibration and lowering the period allowed for retesting from within 20 minutes of refused entry to within 10 minutes.

Discussion on HIPAA compliance and PHI and PII security was tabled.

Other Business: None.

At 1:56 p.m. McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

At 1:57 p.m. Chair Granzow reconvened the regular Board meeting. The meeting was held electronically due to COVID-19 public health risks. Also in attendance were Supervisor McClellan; and Julie Duhn, Machel Eichmeier, Darrell Meyer, Taylor Roll, Donna Juber, Bob Juber, Jessica Sheridan, and Angela Silvey.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve August 12, 2020 claims for payment. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on whether to table or adopt the proposed temperature check policy for entering County buildings. Meyer, noting the temperature device is operational at the Courthouse, recommended the Board adopt a minimal policy, if not the full policy, or unplug the device.

McClellan stated she was comfortable with the employee portion of the policy, and if changes need to be made to the public portion, the Board could always amend the policy later.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the Policy for Public Entering County Courthouse, County Office Building, and County Jail/Sheriff Office and Employee Entry Policy. Motion carried.

At 2:12 p.m. McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

/s/ Lance Granzow
Lance Granzow, Chair
Board of Supervisors

/s/ Jessica Lara
Jessica Lara
Hardin County Auditor