

HARDIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MINUTES – NOVEMBER 18, 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 Connie Mesch, Tifani Eisentrager, Becca Junker, Curt Groen, Pauline Lloyd, Allison Scott, Cheryl Lawrence, JD Holmes, Justin Ites, Rocky Reents, Julie Duhn, Abby Flatness, Angela De La Riva, Don Knoell, Donna Juber, Bob Juber, Denise Smith, Dave McDaniel, Mark Buschkamp, Thomas Craighton, Taylor Roll, Carey Callaway, Michael Pearce, Jessica Sheridan, Darrell Meyer, 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 of November 10, 2020 and the November 10, 2020 canvass. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to approve the November 18, 2020 claims for payment. Motion carried.

Utility Permits: None.

Secondary Roads:

County Engineer Taylor Roll had no developments to report.

At 9:02 a.m. Chair Granzow opened the public hearing on a proposed road vacation of an easement of 170th Street. Roll reviewed the proposed vacation, requested by Elaine Frerichs. There being no oral or written comments or objections, McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to close the public hearing. Roll Call Vote: “Ayes” McClellan, Hoffman, and Granzow. “Nays” None. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded that the following Resolution No. 2020-42, a resolution to vacate and quit claim to an easement of 170th Street, be adopted. Roll Call Vote: “Ayes” Hoffman, McClellan, and Granzow. “Nays” None. Resolution No. 2020-42 is hereby adopted as follows:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020-42**

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held at 9:02 A.M. on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020 in the Conference Room of the Hardin County Board of Supervisors; and

**WHEREAS**, there being no objections to the vacating of part of the Hardin County road right-of-way as advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, there being no claim for damages.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Hardin County Board of Supervisors that the subject section be ordered vacated and closed and denies any and all claims for damages.

Hardin County Quit Claims its interest to the following property owner:

**Elaine J. Frerichs** - An easement being a part of an existing road right of way easement of 170<sup>th</sup> Street located in the Fractional West One-half (FrW ½) and the West Five Rods (W. 5 Rods) of the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) all in Section Seven (7), Township Eighty-eight (88) North, Range Nineteen (19) West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Hardin County, Iowa, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the West Quarter (W ¼) Corner of said Section 7; thence South 89°37’53” East, 924.16 feet along the existing centerline of 170<sup>th</sup> Street to an intersection of said centerline with a line offset 66.00 feet Southerly from the north line of the Hardin County Frerichs Easement Project (said intersection being the point of beginning); thence North 82°23’00” East, 1467.16 feet along

a line parallel and 66.00 feet offset Southerly from said north line; thence South 87°48'58" East, 96.53 feet along said parallel line to a point on the east line of said West Five Rods (said point also being a point on a curve on the southern existing right of way line of said 170<sup>th</sup> Street); thence southwesterly 350.25 feet on said southern right of way line along an 883.73 feet radius curve, concave Southeasterly, having a central angle of 22°42'29" to a corner thereof; thence South 69°03'20" West, 99.16 feet along said southern right of way line to a corner thereof; thence Southwesterly 179.67 feet on said southern right of way line along a 707.69 feet radius curve, concave Northwesterly, having a central angle of 14°32'47" to a corner thereof; thence South 83°36'07" West, 798.98 feet along said southern right of way line to a corner thereof; thence North 89°37'53" West, 382.32 feet along said southern right of way line to the intersection of said southern right of way line and with said parallel line; thence North 82°23'00" East, 237.55 feet along said parallel line to the point of beginning, containing 1.78 acres total. Subject to easements.

For the purpose of this survey, the south line of the Fractional Northwest Quarter (FrNW ¼) was determined to bear South 89°33'15" East using GPS.

Adopted this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

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

I certify that the above is an extract taken from the official proceedings of the Hardin County Board of Supervisors at their 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020 session, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the record.

Given my hand and seal of Hardin County this 18th day of November, 2020.

/s/ Jessica Lara  
Jessica Lara, Hardin County Auditor

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to deny a request for tax abatement by the Ellsworth Neighborhood Investment Group. The request was denied due to no demolition permit being filed with the City of Iowa Falls. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to approve Wellness Program payments be paid out to participating employees. Payments will be made from the health insurance pool. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to approve the hiring of Jacob Chicoine, part-time Correctional Officer, at a rate of \$16.48/hour, effective 11/18/2020. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to approve the hiring of Lucas Wiedemeier, part-time Correctional Officer, at a rate of \$16.48/hour, effective 11/18/2020. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded that the following Resolution No. 2020-43, Resolution Amending Resolution No. 2020-15, be adopted. Roll Call Vote: "Ayes" Hoffman, McClellan, and Granzow. "Nays" None. Resolution No. 2020-43 is hereby adopted as follows:

Moved by Hoffman SECONDED by McClellan to adopt the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-43**

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2020-15

WHEREAS, the Hardin County Board of Supervisors adopted on or about April 1, 2020, an Infectious Disease Action Plan, Resolution 2020-15; and

WHEREAS, the Hardin County Board of Supervisors adopted on August 12, 2020, a policy regulating entry by county employees and the public to the County Courthouse, County Office Building and County Jail/Sheriff Office; and

WHEREAS, the Hardin County Board of Health adopted on or about August 27, 2020, a recommendation that face coverings be worn by all in public; and

WHEREAS, the Hardin County Board of Supervisors remains actively involved in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and is committed to protecting the health of Hardin County employees and the public; and,

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the Hardin County Public Health Department and the Governor of the State of Iowa recommend face coverings to prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Hardin County encourages political subdivisions and private businesses throughout Hardin County to explore similar measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and help keep businesses operational; and

WHEREAS, the Hardin County Board of Supervisors has jurisdiction over Hardin County facilities and property;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Hardin County hereby amends Resolution No. 2020-15, to include the attached provision requiring the use of face coverings by all Hardin County employees and visitors to Hardin County property.

Passed and adopted this 18th day of November, 2020.

/s/ Lance Granzow  
Lance Granzow Chairperson  
County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: /s/ Angela Silvey, deputy  
Jessica Lara  
Hardin County Auditor

11/18/2020  
Date

#### AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 2020-15

All Hardin County employees when not at their respective workstation shall always wear face coverings (defined by the Hardin County Board of Health as “a material that securely covers a person’s nose and mouth and remains affixed in place without the use of one’s hands, whether purchased or homemade, and consistent with CDC guidelines”). If an employee is not medically able to wear face covering such as a mask, then a face shield that meets CDC guidelines may be worn. It will be the employee’s burden to demonstrate a medical inability to wear a face covering such as a mask. All employees will limit contact with multiple people in a workspace. This includes regular workstations, break rooms and other collective spaces.

The county building entry policy adopted on August 12, 2020, as amended, is incorporated herein by the reference.

Face coverings are required of visitors to all county owned buildings in addition to any other policies in effect.

Employees are encouraged to wear facial covering outside of work environment while in public.

Employees experiencing any symptoms described in Resolution No. 2020-15 shall report it immediately. Employees shall call their supervisor to report these conditions. The Supervisor/Department Head shall relay this information to the County Auditor’s Office immediately.

#### Emergency Management Update:

Emergency Management Coordinator Thomas Craighton reported on an outbreak at the Jail which has been contained and a new process for PPE distribution.

Public Comments:

Donna Juber commented on COVID-19 spread prevention.

Questions and comments were received from Pauline Lloyd.

Julie Duhn thanked the Board for adopting a mask requirement.

Other Business: None.

McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

At 1:30 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, Hoffman, and McClellan; and Matt Jones, Thomas Craighton, Rocky Reents, Becca Junker, Dave McDaniel, Linn Adams, Machel Eichmeier, Wes Wiese, Darrell Meyer, Taylor Roll, Jessica Sheridan, Jody Mesch, and Angela Silvey.

Matt Jones, IT Director, addressed internet connectivity issues caused by employees logging onto Board meetings from their work computers.

Jones also announced that the County's phone system will reach its end of life October 1, 2021, and he and Network Specialist Michael Pearce are exploring options to present to the Board.

Discussion was held on COVID protocols adopted earlier that day by Resolution No. 2020-43, specifically employee symptom reporting procedures and employee mask requirements.

Questions were posed regarding when an employee qualifies for COVID leave versus sick leave. County Attorney Darrell Meyer reviewed the provisions of the COVID-19 Response Policy adopted April 1, 2020.

Other Business:

Linn Adams advised the Friendship Club received a grant to replace its bus and asked if the County wanted the bus returned. The Board agreed the bus was the Friendship Club's to sell.

Wes Wiese wondered when department heads could expect to receive budget planning sheets.

At 2:35 p.m. Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

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

/s/ Jessica Lara  
Jessica Lara  
Hardin County Auditor

Chat Log from 11/18/2020

09:21:16 From dmcdaniel@hardincountyia.gov : That's 3 minutes  
09:25:34 From Donna-Bob Juber : HyVee headquarters have told employees NOT  
to enforce that.