

HARDIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES – FEBRUARY 10, 2021
WEDNESDAY - 9:00 A.M.
COURTHOUSE LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

Chair BJ Hoffman called the meeting to order. The meeting was held electronically due to COVID-19 public health risks. Also present were Supervisors Reneé McClellan and Lance Granzow; and Taylor Roll, Thomas Craighton, Jolene Pieters, Wendy Leiker, John Kies, Darrell Meyer, and Angela Silvey. Attending via Zoom: Julie Duhn, Pauline Lloyd, Justin Ites, Rocky Reents, Lisa Lawler, Dave McDaniel, Machel Eichmeier, Donna Juber, Bob Juber, Abby Flatness, Lori Kadner, Elaine Loring, Shane Glinski, Angela De La Riva, JD Holmes, Jessica Sheridan, Connie Mesch, and Laura Cunningham.

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 January 27, 2021; January 28, 2021; and February 3, 2021. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the February 10, 2021 claims for payment. Motion carried.

Emergency Management Update: None.

Public Health Update:

Rocky Reents, Public Health Coordinator, reported on COVID-19 case data and vaccine administration.

Utility Permits: None.

Secondary Roads:

County Engineer Taylor Roll reminded the public that road salt is ineffective in frigid temperatures and windy conditions.

Public Comments:

Julie Duhn suggested Supervisors could attend meetings via Zoom to save the County money on mileage claims.

Donna Juber questioned why public comments had been moved to the middle of the agenda.

Questions and comments were received from Pauline Lloyd.

Wendy Leiker, State Training School Superintendent, introduced herself, provided an update on school staffing and construction projects, and answered questions.

Granzow moved, McClellan seconded that the following Resolution No. 2021-09, a resolution awarding a contract for HMA resurfacing on D55 from Highway 65 to S55 and on East Street on Hubbard, be adopted. Roll Call Vote: “Ayes” Granzow, McClellan, and Hoffman. “Nays” None. Resolution No. 2021-09 is hereby adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION 2021-09

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as “the Board”, believes that STBG-SWAP-C042(107)—FG-42, hereafter referred to as “the project” is in the best interest of Hardin County, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as a HMA Resurfacing, located on County Highway D55, from U.S. Highway 65 to County Highway S55 and on East Street in Hubbard from County Highway D55 to the North City Limits; and

WHEREAS, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Hardin County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by Section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board to accept the bid from Mathy Construction Company of Onalaska, Wisconsin in the amount of \$1,939,102.81 and awards the associated contract(s) to the same;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of the Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Hardin County, Iowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, Taylor Roll, the Engineer for Hardin County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

Passed and Approved this 10th day of February, 2021 at the Large Conference Room, Hardin County Courthouse, Eldora, Iowa.

Board of Supervisors of Hardin County, Iowa

/s/ BJ Hoffman
BJ Hoffman, Chair

/s/ Reneé McClellan
Renee McClellan

/s/ Lance Granzow
Lance Granzow

ATTEST:
/s/ Jolene Pieters
Jolene Pieters, County Auditor

Granzow moved, McClellan seconded to set the public hearing on the FY 2022 maximum property tax levy for February 24, 2021 at 9:05 a.m., in the Large Conference Room or via Zoom. Roll Call Vote: "Ayes" Granzow, McClellan, and Hoffman. "Nays" None. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the Recorder's Monthly Report for January 2021. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the appointment of Angela Silvey as the Deputy Auditor of Elections for a four-year period commencing January 1, 2021. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the appointment of Becca Junker as 1st Deputy Auditor for a four-year period commencing January 1, 2021. Motion carried.

McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve the promotion of Alec Jensen, from part-time to full-time Correctional Officer, at a rate of \$18.35/hour, effective 02/27/2021. Motion carried.

Other Business: None.

Granzow moved, McClellan seconded to recess the regular meeting until 2:00 p.m. to review FY 2022 budget items. Motion carried.

At 1:02 p.m. the Board met to discuss matters related to pending litigation. In attendance: Supervisors Hoffman, McClellan, and Granzow; and Darrell Meyer, Jessica Sheridan, and Angela Silvey.

Granzow moved, McClellan seconded to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(c). Roll Call Vote: “Ayes” Granzow, McClellan, and Hoffman. “Nays” None. Motion carried. The Board entered closed session at 1:04 p.m.

Following discussion, Granzow moved, McClellan seconded to return to open session. “Ayes” Granzow, McClellan, and Hoffman. “Nays” None. Motion carried. Closed session ended at 2:03 p.m.

Granzow moved, McClellan seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

At 2:18 p.m. Hoffman reconvened the regular meeting. The meeting was held electronically due to COVID-19 public health risks. Also in attendance: Supervisors McClellan and Granzow; and Chuck Walters and Angela Silvey.

Granzow moved, McClellan second to rescind the earlier motion setting the time and date for the public hearing on the FY 2022 maximum property tax levy. Motion carried.

Granzow then moved, McClellan seconded to set the public hearing on the FY 2022 maximum property tax levy for March 3, 2021 at 9:05 a.m., in the Large Conference Room and via Zoom. Roll Call Vote: “Ayes” Granzow, McClellan, and Hoffman. “Nays” None. Motion carried.

Granzow exited the meeting at 2:36 p.m.

Due to technical difficulties with the Department of Management website, and no further progress made on the budget, McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to adjourn at 2:41 p.m. Motion carried.

/s/ BJ Hoffman
BJ Hoffman, Chair
Board of Supervisors

/s/ Jolene Pieters
Jolene Pieters
Hardin County Auditor

Chat Log from 2/10/2021

09:05:36 From Julie Duhn to Everyone : Citizens might prefer on-record responses.
09:07:53 From Lisa Lawler to Everyone : my experience is that emails to supervisors are not responded to
09:08:03 From Julie Duhn to Everyone : What can be legal is not necessarily right.
09:09:16 From Donna-Bob Juber to Everyone : All the phone numbers on the website aren't necessarily correct.
09:12:07 From Lisa Lawler to Everyone : Pauline was clearly speaking.
09:17:31 From Hardin County to Everyone :
https://dhs.iowa.gov/sites/default/files/Legislative_Presentation_STS_Cottage_Remodel.pdf?021020211416
09:27:59 From Lisa Lawler to Everyone : can it be put in the paper?
09:29:09 From Lisa Lawler to Everyone : the population surrounding the Training School is older - not everyone has a phone that receives texts, not everyone has a computer
09:33:09 From Lisa Lawler to Everyone : unless they change order you to death
09:33:19 From Pauline Lloyd to Everyone : Bj I did not get my 3 minutes
09:33:34 From Lisa Lawler to Everyone : are bids scrutinized to make sure everything needed is captured?
09:34:39 From Julie Duhn to Everyone : who is speaking right now?