

March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 9:03 am by Chairman Heath Hansen. Present were Doug Sorensen, Heath Hansen, Rick Thompson, Lisa Frederiksen, Chassity Musfeldt, Wendi Barnett, Ashley Madsen, Miranda Bills, Deb Campbell, John Hansen, Mitch Rydl, Tyler Thygesen, Todd Johnson, Janell Bluml, Chris Swensen, Ben Linde, Laura Kyndesen, Robin Shirley, Paulette Madsen, and Don Struve.

Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve the agenda with the addition of a utility permit approval. Vote-all in favor. While reviewing minutes for approval the Supervisors discussed the Conservation budget having requested to increase wages to 4% verse 3.2% of the Compensation Board recommendation for the County. Motion- Sorensen Second- Hansen to approve the minutes of 3-4-24. Vote-all in favor. The county cell phone policy was discussed and edited. Motion- Sorensen Second- Thompson to approve the cell phone policy. Vote-all in favor. Motion- Sorensen Second- Thompson to approve the Recorder's February report of fees collected. Vote-all in favor.

The Department Heads met at 9:30 am with the Supervisors. Chairman Hansen said he attended the City Council meeting on Monday evening. The City of Audubon will be sending over the lease agreement for review/approval later in the day. The Board will meet at a special meeting later in the week to approve. Pending the approval, the Courthouse can take possession of the rental locations as soon as it is signed. Treasurer Campbell inquired about informing the public of the new temporary locations and move dates. Campbell had checked with the newspaper on pricing to send out a flyer insert. Supervisors said it was fine to have the flyers ran for two weeks in the papers so the public can be notified. Any of the offices with Facebook pages will update their information as well. IT Director Linde asked about the moving schedule so he can plan accordingly. The postage machine will be going to the armory, and the shared copier/printer will be going with the Auditors to the Memorial Building. The Supervisors will be meeting at the memorial building for their weekly meetings during the relocation. The Assessor's office will be bringing their copier/printer to the Armory for shared usage. Iowa Prison Industries is scheduled to help with the move for the first week of April. Chairman Hansen will be contacting the local U-Haul rental to see about renting a truck for the move. The flooring that needs replaced in the Auditor's office and the Clerk of Court's office was discussed. Custodian John Hansen has quotes for Epoxy flooring and will be getting quotes for an industrial vinyl floor.

Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve the Teamsters Local 238 agreement. Vote-all in favor. Secondary Roads Engineer Mitch Rydl gave a Maintenance & Construction update. Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve the Mid-American utility permit for 2737 Falcon Avenue. Vote- all in favor. Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to approve the hiring resolution #2024-12 for Secondary Roads new hire Corey Olds as follows. Vote-all in favor.

Resolution 2024-12

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Audubon County Board of Supervisors that Corey Olds be hired as Grade 1 Classification, Equipment Operator A for the Secondary Roads Department effective March 18, 2024. Hourly wage will be \$23.77 with benefits as per the contract between Audubon County and Public, Professional and Maintenance Employees, Local Union #2003. There will be a 90-day probation period. If work performance is deemed acceptable by the Engineer and Road Superintendent at the end of the 90 days, Corey's wages will increase to the Grade 2 Classification, Equipment Operator B wages of \$24.07. Insurance coverage shall begin May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

Passed and approved this 12th day of March 2024.

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Heath Hansen

ATTEST

By: Chassity Musfeldt

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Rydl said they have been busy hauling rock from Willey to Audubon/Exira. They are waiting on the DOT comments for the Puck Project. The M66 contract has been approved. Discussion was held on a driveway and an application that had been submitted in the past for a culvert.

At 11:00 am the Elk Horn Public Library director Paulette Madsen and Board President Don Struve met to discuss the services they provide for the residents of Audubon County. The allocation that Audubon County had given the Kimballton library was discussed. They inquired about a possible 28E agreement. Attorney Swensen will be checking into the agreement.

Insurance proposals for additional coverages were discussed. The Supervisors have decided not to add any more additional coverages at the County's cost. Thompson will contact Ryan Berven to let him know. Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to accept/file the Clerk of Court's February monthly fees. Vote-all in favor. The Auditors month end and Supervisor departmental reports for February 2024 were reviewed. It was noted that a 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment was going to be needed for the GO Bond interest payment. Motion- Thompson Second- Sorensen to accept/file the reports. Vote-all in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 12:31 pm.

/s/ Heath Hansen

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest:/s/ Chassity Musfeldt

Audubon County Auditor Clerk