

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

January 12, 2009

Be it duly noted these minutes of 1/12/09 are UNOFFICIAL minutes.

The Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30AM with Board members Michael Nolte-Chairman, Corey Eberling and Jerry L. Plagge present.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, approves the agenda as submitted with the following additions: 1) Consider/Approve claims for the period ending 1/11/09; 2) Correction of 1/5/09 minutes-Appointments of city and business members to the NIACOG Board; and 3) Consider/approve a Franklin County Utility Permit Application for Qwest to bore under the blacktop approximately 45 feet to supply service to 1472 170th Street.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, approves the minutes of 1/6/09. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Board opened the meeting to public comment. Sandy Eckhardt-Drainage Clerk was present and explained a repair to Joint Drainage District 4-118, Don Latham, replacement of 60 feet of damaged tile. She also lined up Supervisor Nolte to join FEMA representatives to related drainage repairs on Friday, January 16, 2009. Committee reports were given on: IMWCA Risk Management on-site survey. Franklin County received an 8.1 factor, which is a good report; ABCM assisted living ground breaking and Community Action/Audit Committee meeting.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, approves a Franklin County Utility Permit Application for Qwest to bury 2500 feet of copper cable along Violet Avenue just north of 105th Street and along 105th Street from Violet Avenue to 2240 105th Street. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Eberling, seconded by Plagge, approves a Franklin County Utility Permit Application for Qwest to bore under the blacktop approximately 45 feet to supply service to 1472 170th Street. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, approves an Agreement between NoRISC and Franklin County for 2009 Safety Services. Appointing Jay Waddingham as the NoRISC Franklin County Delegate and Marvin Cerwinski as Alternate. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, approves claims for period ending 1/11/09. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, approves the County Auditor's reappointment of Amy Holmgard as First Deputy and Julie Pralle as Second Deputy in the Franklin County Auditor's office for a period of four years, 1/1/2009 through 12/31/2012. All ayes. Motion carried.

Russell Wood-County Planner, Dennis Carlson-Conservation Director and Larry Richtsmeier-Sheriff met with the Board to discuss Governor Culver's Infrastructure Project Request based on a federal economic stimulus package. Projects focused on infrastructure should fit within the scope of the federal guidelines. The Board requested the Department Heads present their plans to the County Planner and the Planner then organize plans according to the Boards direction. The County Planner shall submit the plans to the State by the deadline of January 19, 2009 via email.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, opens a Public Hearing at 10:00 AM to receive written or oral comments to gift County owned property located in Osceola Township to the City of Ackley for public purpose. Said property will stay as a park, which is what it is presently being used as. The described property is approximately 14 acres on the west edge of Prairie Bridges Park in the City of Ackley described by two parcel numbers 16-35-100-010 and 16-35-302-001. All ayes. Motion carried.

Present was: Dennis Carlson-Conservation Director and Brent Symens-County Attorney. No oral or written comments were received. Brief discussion was held.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, closes the Public Hearing at 10:05 A.M. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Nolte, adopts Resolution 2009-04: Gifting Franklin County owned property to the City of Ackley for public purpose. Property located in Osceola Township, said parcel being approximately 14 acres on the west edge of Prairie Bridges Park in the City of Ackley described as: *All that part of the west half (W ½) of the southwest quarter (SW ¼) and the south half (S ½) of the southwest quarter (SW ¼) of the northwest quarter (NW ¼) which lies East (E) of the right of way of the railroad, in Section Thirty-five (35), except: beginning at a point one thousand two hundred fifty-nine and two-tenths (1259.2) feet north of the southeast corner of the southwest quarter (SW ¼) of the southwest quarter (SW ¼) of Section thirty-five (35), thence north five hundred seventy-two (572) feet, thence west two hundred seventy-four (274) feet, then in a southeasterly direction six hundred forty (640) feet along the right of way known as the Minneapolis and St. Louis Railroad Company to the point of beginning. All of the above being subject to railroad right of way and situated in Township Ninety (90) north, Range Nineteen (19), west of the Fifth P.M., in Franklin County, Iowa, identified by two parcel numbers 16-35-100-010 and 16-35-302-001. Eberling-Aye, Nolte-Aye, Plagge-Aye. Resolution duly adopted.*

The following appointments were tabled until the January 19, 2009 meeting:
One Member to the Mental Health Center of North Iowa Board; and three Members to the 28 member Compensation-Condensation Board for a one year term.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, approves, upon recommendation by the County Auditor, the reappointment of Amy Holmgaard as First Deputy and Julie Pralle as Second Deputy in the Franklin County Auditor's Office from 1/1/09 through 12/31/2012. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed an Amendment on a joint 28E Agreement between Cerro Gordo County and Franklin County for Emergency Management services and to allow Dispatch be paid out of the EMA General Supplemental fund. The Emergency Management Director shall contact the Cerro Gordo/Franklin EMA Commission and the Cerro Gordo county Supervisors for discussion.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, adopts Resolution 2009-02: Construction Evaluation Resolution for Master Matrix in animal feeding operation structures for 2009. Eberling-Aye, Nolte-Aye, Plagge-Aye. Resolution duly adopted.

Motion by Eberling, seconded by Plagge, approves a renewal with Wellmark as the County Health Insurance Provider for Franklin County Employees including a 2.02% increase in premium beginning July 1, 2009. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, re-appoints Yvonne Krukow as Committee member to the North Iowa Regional Housing. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Eberling, seconded by Plagge, appoints a business representative-Kent Morton and city representative- Jane Etnier (recommended by the Mayor of Sheffield) to the NIACOG Board for 2009. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Auditor and Recorder's Quarterly Reports for the period ending 12/31/08.

The Board acknowledged the Sheriff's Monthly Report for November 2008 for fees collected, accident reports, criminal activity and transports.

The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter from Jon Burmiester, Public Financial Management, Inc., Des Moines, IA, representing Franklin General Hospital. Given FHG is technically a county Hospital, the IRS views FGH and Franklin County as one entity. Due to this technicality, FGH is requesting information from the County as to any GO bonding that will take place in 2009 by the County to determine the amount of revenue bonds that could be issued to FGH as a qualified tax-exempt obligation. No action taken.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Morlee Watershed Annual Inspection Report for Drainage District 5 and Sub 1 of 5, conducted on 10/22/08. Lawrence Green, NRCS District Conservationist and Corey Eberling, Franklin County Supervisor visited the site. Suggested repairs were:
Drainage District 5

Surface Inlet #3-a hole in the ground approximately 10' in diameter and 4-5' deep has developed over a tile drainage line near the outlet of #3, possibly due to separation of the tile from its corrugated metal outlet pipe. The problem spot in this tile needs to be repaired and the hole filled.

Surface Inlet #12-Two holes in the CMP about 3" and 6" from the intake end where the pipe was hit by a chisel plow or other tillage equipment. Damage to CMP intakes similar to this occurs on other inlet pipes was well, but does not appear to restrict the capacity of the intakes.

Between Surface Inlets #19 & #20; Erosion damage has occurred just below the two culvert ditch crossings. An area of the north ditch bank approximately 12' wide and 12' deep has been washed out and needs re-grading, seeding or rip-rap. The damage may have occurred during the heavy spring rains when the culverts lacked adequate capacity and water flowed out of the bank around the crossing then dropped back into the drainage ditch.

Surface Inlet #24-End of CMP inlet crushed by heavy equipment restricting its effective capacity by approximately half.

Surface Inlet #31-CMP inlet snagged by a chisel plow or other tillage equipment. Inlet needs to be bent out to restore capacity.

Overall the drainage ditch remains in good condition in spite of the heavy 2008 rains.

Sub-Drainage District No. 1 of 5- Minor erosion around the top of the pipe drop structure, but the structure held up well during the heavy rains. Grass waterway remains in good condition.

At 11:00 AM Dennis Carlson-Conservation Director and Bruce Harris-Conservation Board member met with the Board regarding the FY09/10 proposed Budget. Discussion was held in regard to creating a Conservation Fund in which the Conservation Department would conduct business out of. The Board explained how this fund works and the accounting procedures that take place in this scenario. The Board requested that Conservation be considering areas to cut the 09/10 budget. The Board will review the Conservation budget at next weeks meeting, January 19th. No action taken.

At 12:00 PM Larry Richtsmeier-Sheriff met with the Board regarding the FY09/10 proposed Budget. Discussion was held as to what had been proposed and cuts the Board requested the Sheriff to make. The Board will review the Sheriff's budget figures at next weeks meeting, January 19th at 2:00 PM. No action taken.

The Board acknowledged Manure Management Plan Renewals for: 1) Ozark Finisher Farm #65093, owner David Kenniger, Ackley, site located Hardin Road, Section 6, Etna Township, Hardin County; 2) Pralle 1 Finisher #59262, owner Tony Thies, site located 1325 110th St, Hampton, Section 24, Hamilton Township; 3) Jordahl Site 0 #60952, owner Justin Jordahl, site located 508 Heather Ave, Section 7, Lee Township; 4) N022 #57699, owner Dennis Benning, site located 2408 30th Street, Ackley, Section 25, Osceola Township; 5) Ron Toomsen #57751, owner Ron Toomsen, site located 824 Raven Avenue, Geneva, Section 26, Geneva Township

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Nolte, adjourns at 12:30 PM, until January 19, 2009. All ayes. Motion carried.

Michael Nolte, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Michelle S. Giddings, Auditor & Clerk to Board