

Sibley, Iowa
February 6, 2024

The Osceola County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to law and adjournment at 8:45 am at Osceola County Courthouse Board Room in Sibley, Iowa with the following members present: Mike Schulte, Jerry Helmers, LeRoy DeBoer, Jayson Vande Hoef, and Ed Jones. Absent: None.

Helmets moves to approve the February 6, 2024 agenda. Second by Schulte. All vote aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by DeBoer, second by Helmers to approve January 30, 2024 minutes. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Nolan McGowan, County Attorney discussed with the Board the requirements of Iowa Code 64 with respect to bond for each elected county official along with the assessor, engineer, and township clerks and the requirement to have a bond policy which is a separate policy from liability insurance. Tom and Becky Block from HP Insurance were also present to answer any questions. The supervisors, attorney, auditor, assessor, recorder and sheriff minimum bond requirements are \$20,000. Treasurer is \$50,000 bond minimum, with engineer and township clerks a \$5,000 bond requirement. Helmers moves to approve HP Insurance to proceed with getting bond quotes for the minimum bond requirements. Second by Schulte. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Sande Smith and Verlyn Keninger, gave the Emergency Medical Services System Advisory Council annual report which is on file at the auditor's office. It was moved by Schulte, second by Helmers to accept the report. All vote aye. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed several ambulance write-off bills and they questioned a couple of the suggested write-off bills. Sande Smith, Ambulance Coordinator will look into those bills in question. Schulte moves approve the ambulance write-off bills except for the two in question. Second by Helmers. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Rochelle Van Tilburg, Auditor had some questions for the Board about upcoming budget amendment for FY 23/24. VanTilburg will proceed with the budget amendment as what was discussed.

It was moved by Vande Hoef, second by Schulte to approve Administrative Services Agreement and Business Associate Agreement with Assured Partners Great Plains d/b/a Midwest Group Benefits. All vote aye. Motion carried.

A bid was received from SuperHiTech for a new computer for recording the board meetings for \$1,199.00. The Board would like to get a computer with a little bit more memory. Schulte moves to approve the bid with the option of getting more memory. Second by Helmers. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Vande Hoef discussed Iowa Code 331.425 with regards to hold a special election for additional levy. The Board is frustrated with the state about all the unfunded mandates that are in bills like HF718 in 2023 and SF 619 in 2021. One of the reasons to hold a special election is for unusual problems relating to major new functions required by state law. The Board will like an attorney general's opinion on the definition on "unusual problems".

Budgets for FY 24/25 were reviewed.

Some questions needed to be addressed with regards to the remodeling of the offices in the basement of courthouse. It was moved by Schulte to replace the stink pipe and replace the cabinet and countertop in the lunch room. It died from the lack of support. Vande Hoef moves to replace the sections of the deteriorated cast iron. Second by Schulte. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Payroll registers from February 2nd and 7th were reviewed.

It was moved by Schulte to adjourn the meeting. Second by DeBoer. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Chairman

Auditor