

The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, July 2, 2025, in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom, with Clint Blackburn and Jeff Shearer present. Let the record show that Dustin Sheldon was not present for this meeting. A quorum was declared, and the meeting was officially called to order at 9:05 a.m. The agenda was approved as posted. Minutes of the previous board session were read and approved.

Let the record show that Engineer Dan Davis and Attorney Peter Johnson were present at this meeting. Landon Beck with TextMyGov was present by telephone.

The board discussed the need for a new fund for the room and boards funds that are reimbursed to the county. They are deposited into the General Fund now and they need to be tracked separately. A sub-fund of the General Basic Fund was never created when they started collecting these fees many years ago. Auditor Owen would like the board's permission to create a sub-fund of the General Fund for the purpose of separating these funds for tracking purposes from now on. Motion by Shearer to create the sub-fund of the General Fund for room and board collections. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineer Dan Davis met with the board for the following:

Motion by Shearer to sign the three-year contract and agreement between Fremont County and the Board of Supervisors and Daniel R. Davis, P.E., P.L.S., as presented July 1, 2025, through October 6, 2027. Motion carried unanimously.

Landon Beck with TextMyGov spoke with the board to do a presentation on their services. They specialize in government communications and sending out alerts. Some of those alerts include road closures, board meetings, city council meetings, and voting information to name a few. They can also get a database of phone numbers through USPS contacts. The cost is based on population so ours would be \$5,000 annually. The board said they needed more time to research. Beck said he would also send them a proposal with information.

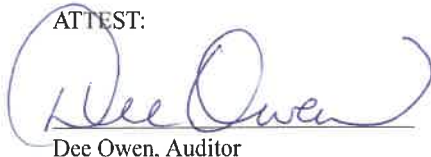
There were no applications for the Tourism Board position that is open as of July 1, 2025. Motion by Shearer to post the notice again. Motion carried unanimously.

In other business, the Recorder's Monthly Report for June was approved.

Claims were approved for July 3, 2025.

At 9:19 a.m., with no further business, Shearer motioned to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

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Dee Owen, Auditor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Clint Blackburn", written over a horizontal line.

Clint Blackburn, Chairman

At 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, a Department Head meeting was held in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom. Present were Alise Snyder, Scott Evans, Vicki Kirkpatrick, Rachael Hall, Clint Blackburn, Jeff Shearer, Dee Owen, and Zach Benedict. Topics discussed: beginning/end of year processes, maintenance update, public health moving in, moving VA to a different office, board of review, PAAB cases, ISAC Annual Conference dates, rodeo, and software support.

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Let the record show that Attorney Peter Johnson, EMC Clayton Long, Treasurer Alise Snyder, Tyler Buman, and Jacob Hagan were present at this meeting.

The conservation board had one applicant for the opening on their board, Ruth Connell. Motion by Shearer to appoint Ruth Connell to the conservation board for a term ending 6/30/30. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Shearer to approve the Class B Retail Alcohol License (LG) renewal for Pilot Travel Center #238. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Alise Snyder met with the board for approval of the semi-annual report. She updated them on fund balances. Motion by Shearer to approve the semi-annual report. Motion carried unanimously.

Tyler Buman and Jacob Hagan with AgriVia met with the board to give a presentation on drainage engineering. Tyler Buman and Jacob Hagan explained their services for drainage districts. Some of the services are drainage district improvement, overseeing bidding, engineering, and design. They are based in Perry, Iowa, and would like to be considered for any projects that may come up in the county. Chairman Blackburn told them we would keep their information and pass it along if the need should arise.

Attorney Peter Johnson met with the board regarding the following:

Attorney Johnson requested use of the office recently vacated by the district court. He would like to reclaim the space for the county attorney's office. He checked with the district court and they said they no longer have a need for the office. He said the space would be used as a private area for victims and could be shared when his or other offices need private space. Motion by Shearer to reclaim the office for the county attorney. Motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Johnson presented the board with a draft of a public records request policy. The policy draft contained a fee schedule. He wants to be sure that if employees spend a lot of time on these requests, we can recoup costs for the county. Johnson discussed the demands for immediate information. The county will respond in a timely manner, but their request cannot upset the flow of daily work. He said he will send it out to department heads and request that they read through the policy and let him know if there are any changes. Treasurer Snyder asked if we could require requestors to put the request in writing like Iowa DOT. Johnson asked Snyder if she could get their policy for him to review. Motion by Shearer to table this item until the policy can be reviewed. Motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Johnson requested an office employee wage update, but asked the board to table this item. Motion by Shearer to table this item at the request of the county attorney. Motion carried unanimously.

Claims were approved for July 11, 2025.

At 9:30 a.m., with no further business, Shearer motioned to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:


Dee Owen, Auditor


Clint Blackburn, Chairman

The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, July 16, 2025, in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom, with Clint Blackburn and Jeff Shearer present. Let the record show Dustin Sheldon was not present for this meeting. A quorum was declared, and the meeting was officially called to order at 9:00 a.m. The agenda was approved as posted. Minutes of the previous board session were read and approved.

Let the record show that Assistant Engineer Robbie Kromminga and Attorney Peter Johnson were present at this meeting. Landon Beck was present by telephone.

Assistant Engineer Robbie Kromminga met with the board for the signing of the following:

Motion by Shearer to allow Chairman Blackburn to sign two applications for approval of underground construction in county ROW for replacement of tangent poles and add secondary lift poles to serve two new homes on L-31 that are 1.1 miles from Bartlett and on L-31 1.3 miles from Bartlett. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Shearer to allow Chairman Blackburn to sign the contract between Fremont County, Iowa, and Morgan-Rogers Farms LLC for Project #BROS-CO36(95) - - 8J-36 on 270th Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Shearer to allow Chairman Blackburn to sign the amendment with HGM Associates Inc. for change in services on Project BRS-CO36(92) - - 60-36. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Shearer to allow Chairman Blackburn to sign agreements/contracts with Fremont County and Lisa Marie Saunders for a temporary easement for Project #BROS-CO36(95) - - 8J-36 on 270th Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Item (e) on the agenda was a duplicate of items (b) and (d) on the agenda so it was stricken from the agenda.

Motion by Shearer to approve New Hire Resolution No. 2025-34 for the sheriff's office. Motion carried unanimously.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Fremont County Board of Supervisors this 16th day of July, 2025, that the following individual shall be approved as a Deputy Sheriff for the Fremont County Sheriff's Office, as requested by Fremont County Sheriff Kevin Aistrope. The effective date of employment shall be July 14, 2025.

Dennis Paulson – Deputy

Motion was made by Shearer.

ATTEST

/s/ Dee Owen

Fremont County Auditor

/s/ Clint Blackburn, Chairman

/s/ Jeff Shearer

aye

aye

Landon Beck, TextMyGov, called in to speak with the board regarding his proposal for services. Chairman Blackburn advised Beck that the county is not interested at this time.

There were two applications received for the open Tourism Board position: Stacy Burge and Cassandra Dupont. After reviewing the applications, a motion was made by Shearer to appoint Stacy Burge to the Tourism Board, effective until June 30, 2030. Motion carried unanimously.


Attorney Peter Johnson asked that the closed session be cancelled. That item was stricken from the agenda.

Claims were approved for July 18, 2025.

At 9:25 a.m., with no further business, Shearer motioned to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:


Dee Owen, Auditor


Clint Blackburn, Chairman