

The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom, with Hickey, Clark, and Sheldon present. A quorum was declared, and the meeting officially called to order at 9:00 a.m. Minutes of the previous board session were read and approved. The agenda was approved as posted.

Let the records show that Engineer Dan Davis, Robin Shirley, County Attorney Naeda Elliott, Assistant County Attorney Ryan Dale, Patrick Newlon, and Veronica Barreto-Rosa with the Hamburg Reporter were present for this meeting.

Engineer Dan Davis met with the board for the following:

Motion by Sheldon to sign resolution rejecting all bids on Project #LFM-CO36(FEMAL40) - - 7X-36. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Clark to allow Chairman Hickey to sign revised title sheets for re-letting of FEMA Project LFM-CO36(FEMAL40) - - 7X-36. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Clark to allow Chairman Hickey to sign revised title sheets for re-letting of FEMA Project LFM-CO36(FEMAL31) - - 7X-36. Motion carried unanimously.

Patrick Newlon met with the board to discuss cash renting FEMA buyout property at 2027 155th Street in Thurman. He would like to clean up trees on it and maintain it because it is adjacent to his farm. He may cash rent it in the future. Assistant County Attorney Dale explained the details and uses of the properties involved in the buyouts. Motion by Sheldon to allow Newlon to assume the maintenance of 2027 155th Street. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed the office space upstairs. Robin Shirley has been appointed Assistant to the District Court Administrator for the 4th Judicial District. She has requested office space that the board previously allowed the county attorney to use. Chairman Hickey stated that he contacted the district court and they sent a letter containing the Iowa Code Section that the county must provide space for the state court offices.



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May 2, 2022

To: Randy Hickey

Re: Conference Room in Fremont County Courthouse

Dear Mr. Hickey,

As you are aware, former Fremont County Clerk of Court, Robin Shirley, was promoted to Assistant District Court Administrator for District 4. Her duties in this capacity require an extensive amount of planning and organization for clerk staff throughout the district – some fifty-five employees. Robin therefore needs her own office space to perform the necessary tasks for District 4, and the Judicial Branch, as prescribed.

Iowa Code sections 602.1303(1)(a) and (b) task the county in providing office space for district court employees. It is my understanding that the conference room that is now in question was provided and used by District Court in the past; I am asking that it be returned to the Court for Robin to use in her role as Assistant District Court Administrator. This will allow her continued proximity to Clerk staff, but more importantly, internet connection to the Judicial Branch web server. Additionally, Robin's equipment – printer and soon to be State-run phone – will need to be in the courthouse and connected to the Judicial Branch system for functionality; she will not be able to maintain an internet connection in an office outside of the courthouse.

In conclusion I request the use of this space for Court purposes.

Thank you,

Laura Kyndesen
District Court Administrator

County Attorney Elliott stated that it didn't have to be that particular office. She pointed out that Shirley was currently using the magistrate's office and that seemed to be working. Shirley said that wouldn't work as she can't keep moving her things in and out of the offices. Elliott explained to the board that they specifically designed that space using calming colors and minimalization of decoration. Set up with victim's rights in mind. She used that office to provide a safe space for people. She expressed concerns to the board about regression for all the things that they now provide for victims. Hickey offered space across the street to the

county attorney. Elliott explained that there are times when they only have a ten-minute recess to prep victims for testimony and walking across the street wouldn't work. Supervisor Sheldon said they could also use the conference room in the basement. He pointed out that we didn't have this problem before. Elliott said until Monday no one has spoken to her about this. She got an email last week when she was in Mexico. Sheldon asked that it be noted that he was not in Mills County Monday to speak to her. He had personal matters there. Elliott said she knew he was up there for another reason and that she was told by a deputy that he was waiting to speak to her. He reiterated that was not the case. Hickey stated that the other thing he considered was building onto the courtroom and expanding the county attorney's office. After much discussion, motion by Hickey to allow the use of the office space to the Assistant to the District Court Administrator. Motion carried unanimously.

Troy Housh, Maintenance discussed bids for windows for the courthouse. Windows by Andersen submitted and later rescinded their bid due to a 62 week wait and they also don't have the long windows for our building. The only other bid they had was from Pella in the amount of \$262,206.38. Motion by Sheldon to accept the proposal from Pella Corporation. Motion carried unanimously.

At 9:32 a.m., Sheriff Aistrophe joined the meeting. The board discussed the budget amendment for the Sheriff's Office. Chairman Hickey asked why there was a delay when the amendments were due in early April. Aistrophe said there was just a miscommunication in his office. He stated that he thought he could get by without amending but would like his items added if there is the need for another amendment this fiscal year.

Supervisor Clark wanted to thank SCIA and Greg Connell for the work on the Green Plains expansion.

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

Claims were approved for May 6, 2022.

At 9:38 a.m., there being no further business, Sheldon made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:


Dee Owen, Auditor


Randy Hickey, Chairman

Claims May 6, 2022

General Basic Fund

Custodial Supplies	
Valeri Albertsen	240.00
Neil R Hills	16.50
Stationery & Forms	
Kriegler Office Equipment	18.29
Mail Services LLC	380.88
Solutions, Harris Local Gov	407.00
Other	
MTE Office Center	458.41
Board Proceedings	
The Hamburg Reporter Nebraska	217.00
The Malvern Leader/Beacon Ent.	982.91
Employee Mileage & Subsistence	
Randy Hickey	52.65
Ben Roberts	561.79
Telephone & Telegraph Services	
Chat Mobility	118.52
Community Connections, Inc.	70.00
Postmaster	320.00
US Cellular	63.41
Windstream Iowa Communication	1,164.42
Legal & Court-Related Services	
Page County Sheriff's Office	53.40
Electric Power	
MidAmerican Energy Co.	1,661.16
Water & Sewer	
City of Sidney	135.83
Buildings - Rental	
Dane Moyer	30.00
Custodial	
CINTAS LOC 749	30.00
Dues & Memberships	
Iowa Co Recorders Association	200.00
Other Services-Misc	
Cox Contracting Co., Inc.	11,600.00
JAMCO Abatement Services Inc	23,150.00
Secondary Road Fund	
Concrete/Clay/Plastic Products	
Miracle Mudjacking	2,175.00
Cover Aggregate & Sand	
Schildberg Constr Co Inc	39,171.18

Hardware (non motor vehicle)	
Continental Research Corp	630.63
Ziegler Inc.	782.50
Parts (non motor vehicle)	
CINTAS LOC 749	78.13
Hotsy Equipment Co	224.50
Tyco Fire & Security Johnson C	2,555.50
Elizabeth Shirley	621.00
Fuels	
Holt Gas Co. Inc.	33,525.23
Tires & Tubes	
Heartland Tires & Treads	2,103.60
Sapp Brothers Truck Stops Inc	2,738.00
Minor Mv Parts & Access	
Freightliner Truck Center Co	2,477.90
MHC Kenworth	367.39
Road Builders Mach. & Sup. Co.	137.06
Medical & Health Services	
County Employee	10.70
Electric Power	
MidAmerican Energy Co.	621.33
Motor Vehicle Equipment	
Freightliner Truck Center Co	1,872.20
Radio & Related Equip Maint	
Nancy Johnson	30.42
Sanitation & Disposal Services	
Richardson Sanitation Scott Ri	140.00
Shop Equipment	
Continental Research Corp	224.40
Local Option Sales Tax	
Miscellaneous Repair & Maint	
Rasmussen Mechanical Services	18,013.00
Debt Service State Cont Loan	
Other Long Term Debt Redemptio	
Executive Council Attn: Victor	8,000.00
E911 Surcharge	
Other	
Windstream Iowa Communication	1,116.49
Fremont Co-HRA	
Medical & Health Charges	
Auxiant	1,897.40
Grand Total	161,445.73