

The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on November 4, 2020, in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom, with Hickey, Sheldon, and Graham 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 amended removing the signing of the final pay voucher for project STP-S-CO36(75)-5E-36 J24 from Highway 275 to Thurman as it was not available for signing. This item will be placed on next week's agenda.

Let the records show that IT Arnold Emberton and Sandy Parmenter with Valley News Today were present by telephone. Mike O'Neal attended in person.

Supervisor Hickey stated that they finished Scott Drainage District and are working on close out. The board will continue with flood updates each week.

Chairman Hickey moved to table the discussion about the petition for a new drainage district. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Hickey moved to table appointing a disinterested civil engineer regarding the establishment of the drainage district. Motion carried unanimously.

Cara Marker-Morgan joined the meeting at 9:05 a.m.

Grape Community Hospital CEO Mike O'Neal met with the board regarding a letter of support for USDA funding. This letter of support is to seek financing through USDA-RD for the purposes of renovation/addition to the hospital, expanding the healthcare services offered to Fremont County and surrounding communities. If they get approved, further details regarding the renovation/addition will be made available to the community. The renovation will improve many areas of the hospital, including patient/staff flow, Inpatient areas, HVAC systems, ER, Surgical, Radiology and Outpatient Clinic areas, to name a few. They need to move quickly with the funding that is available. Motion by Sheldon to approve the letter of support. Motion carried unanimously.

Jake Miriovsky with JEO joined the meeting & spoke with the board regarding the Nishnabotna Watershed Project. He presented an amendment to the Nishnabotna Watershed Master Service Agreement and Task Order 3.4 for the Nishnabotna Watershed Project. This covers all engineering and archeological services. Morgan and Miriovsky have looked at cutting two Mills County Projects to keep within the project totals. They do not want the counties to have to provide any funding. There is still over a \$100,000 deficit after pulling the two from Mills County, so some projects in Fremont County will be pulled by ranking. IEDA has expended all their funds, so they have no other funding available. After pulling those projects, they foresee coming in \$2,000 under budget. Morgan invited the board to go out with her and view the projects. Motion by Graham to allow Chairman Hickey to sign the amendment. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Sheldon to allow Chairman Hickey to sign Task Order 3.4 for the Nishnabotna Watershed Project. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Claims were approved for November 6, 2020.

At 9:29 a.m., there being no further business, Sheldon made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:


Fremont County Auditor


Randy Hickey, Chairman

Claims November 6, 2020

General Basic Fund

Food & Provisions	
Iowa DHS Distribution Facility	1,661.56
Clothing & Dry Goods	
Charm-Tex	19.80
Custodial Supplies	
Charm-Tex	118.90
Iowa DHS Distribution Facility	17.03
Fuels	
WEX BANK	44.51
Stationery & Forms	
Mail Services LLC	244.80
MAS Modern Marketing	134.83
Positive Promotions, Inc	162.97
Photocopy/Fax Supplies	
Ben Roberts	39.10
Medical & Laboratory Supplies	
Penn Drug	23.06
Erich Vincent Rachwitz Twin Cr	338.40
Wearing Apparel & Uniform	
Galls	224.00
Acute & Emergency Treat.	
Medical Clinic P.C.	156.00
Penn Drug	46.59
Rent Payments	
Nishnabotany Lodge 153 c/o Wil	540.00
Board Proceedings	
The Hamburg Reporter Nebraska	759.50
Postage & Mailing	
Erman Mullins III	6.95
Telephone & Telegraph Services	
US Cellular	766.95
Windstream Iowa Communication	476.45
Medical & Health Services	
Marshall Funeral Chapels	483.90
Water & Sewer	
City of Sidney	847.43
Culligan	239.75
Buildings	
Midwest Data Center, Inc.	81.66
Office & Data Proc Equip Maint	
Electronic Engineering Co	593.50
Midwest Data Center, Inc.	1,000.00
Radio & Related Equip Maint	
Verizon	480.16
Miscellaneous Repair & Maint	
Benefiel Truck Repair & Towing	200.00
Richardson Sanitation Scott Ri	243.60
Buildings - Rental	
Fire Ex LLC	24.00
Office Equipment	
Ricoh USA, Inc	27.28
Buildings-Capital Outlay	
Trent A Tiemeyer SW IA Parking	131,250.00

Data Processing	
Community Connections, Inc.	375.00
General Supplemental Fund	
Election Supplies	
Kristi O'Neal	22.49
Storey Kenworthy	72.04
Official Publ & Legal Notices	
The Malvern Leader/Beacon Ent.	330.75
Other	
ARC	2,801.95
Rural Services Basic Fund	
Fuels	
WEX BANK	4,271.91
Wearing Apparel & Uniform	
Galls	72.70
Sanitation & Disposal Services	
Richardson Sanitation Scott Ri	650.00
Secondary Road Fund	
Cover Aggregate & Sand	
Black Strap, Inc	9,518.04
Buckley Powder Co. Husker Chem	3,011.25
Schildberg Constr Co Inc	25,628.34
Hardware (non motor vehicle)	
Menards	134.95
Parts (non motor vehicle)	
CINTAS LOC 749	40.16
Northern Tool & Equipment	149.98
Elizabeth Shirley	621.00
Fuels	
Holt Gas Co. Inc.	10,539.70
Sapp Bros Petroleum Inc.	2,499.18
Minor Mv Parts & Access	
Freightliner Truck Center Co	1,320.65
Nebraska-Iowa Ind. Fasteners	191.70
Ziegler Inc.	148.25
Medical & Health Services	
County Employee	112.50
Motor Vehicle Equipment	
Ziegler Inc.	739.07
Workmens' Compensation Ins	
IMWCA	3,996.00
Shop Equipment	
Menards	39.99
Local Option Sales Tax	
Contrib to Other Gov & Org	
Trent A Tiemeyer SW IA Parking	54,124.88
Jnt Disaster Serv.Fund	
Fuels	
WEX BANK	30.52
E911 Surcharge	
Telephone & Telegraph Services	
CenturyLink	284.81
FMTC-SWT, Inc Omnitel Communic	211.96
Prairie Telephone Company, Inc	734.00
Windstream Iowa Communication	206.10

Grand Total **264,132.55**

The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in emergency session on November 9, 2020, in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom, with Hickey, Sheldon, and Graham present by telephone. A quorum was declared, and the meeting officially called to order at 8:16 a.m. The agenda was approved as posted.

Let the records show that IT Arnold Emberton and Assistant County Attorney Tyler Loontjer were present by telephone. Auditor Dee Owen attended in person.

There has been a confirmed positive Covid-19 case within the courthouse. Auditor Owen explained that her staff must be at work for various essential duties such as payroll, accounts payable, and election duties to name a few. They have the ASVP Board here today if there are any ballots received in the mail before noon that can be counted for the election. She also stated that the canvass must be held tomorrow by law. There is a budget amendment hearing Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. Her office also requires that the Audit Board come in Thursday at 9:00 a.m. for the post-election audit required by law by the Iowa Secretary of State. The board discussed how to handle the canvass and meeting tomorrow. Auditor Owen will hold the required meetings using safety precautions for each.

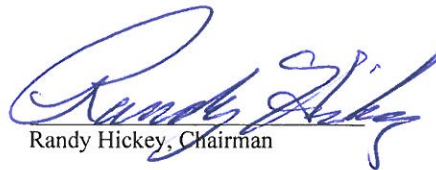
Motion by Sheldon to mandate masks in public areas of the courthouse and when dealing with the public. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Graham discussed closing the courthouse and making it appointment based to protect employees and the public. Motion by Graham to close the courthouse and make it appointment only status until further notice. Motion carried unanimously.

At 8:44 a.m., there being no further business, Sheldon made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:


Dee Owen
Fremont County Auditor


Randy Hickey, Chairman