

The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in a regular session, on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, in the Fremont County Courthouse Courtroom, with Dustin Sheldon and Clint Blackburn present. Let the records show that Chris Clark 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. The minutes of the previous board session were read and approved.

Let the records show that no one else was present for this meeting.

Dillon Petersen and Gerald Baker did not attend the meeting.

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

Claims were approved for November 3, 2023.

At 9:08 a.m., motion to adjourn by Blackburn. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:


Dee Owen, Auditor


Chris Clark, Chairman

The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in a regular session, on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom, with Chris Clark and Clint Blackburn present. Let the records show that 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. The minutes of the previous board session were read and approved.

Let the records show that Engineer Dan Davis, EMC Clayton Long, Sanitarian Erman Mullins, Harry Adams, Mike Stenzel, Lindsey Wilson, and Liz Skillern with SWI Herald were present for this meeting.

Engineer Dan Davis met with the board for the signing of the following:

Motion by Blackburn to sign application for approval of underground construction in ROW for Windstream Iowa Communications to bore 40' under Bluff Road to provide services to 1166 Bluff Road, Thurman. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed sanitarian position. Sanitarian Erman Mullins is going to retire at some point in July or August 2024. He wanted to bring this to the attention of the board so they could hire someone to train with him before he retires. He thinks it will take about 30 days and he would still be qualified when the new person goes to training. He stated he will remind the board when it is closer to the time.

Due to elections, the board must meet on Tuesday the 14th to canvass the city/school election. They must also meet on the 21st for the second-tier canvass. Motion by Clint to hold a special meeting on Tuesday, November 14th for the first-tier canvass and to hold their regular meeting on Tuesday, November 21st for the second-tier canvass. They will have their regular meeting on November 15th. Motion carried unanimously.

Lindsey Wilson with the Family Crisis Center met with the board to update them. They are located out of Council Bluffs. They assist people who have been victims of violent crimes and their families. They have assisted 5 clients and 2 calls on the crisis line. These calls would be residents of Fremont County. The assistance would be doubled if they included victims or family members that reside outside of Fremont County, but the crime was committed here. The board stated the item was for discussion only but they would research and consider a contribution next week.

Auditor Owen presented the board applications from the assessor's office for family farm credit applications for FY 2024. Motion by Blackburn to approve the applications. Motion carried unanimously.


Mike Stenzel and Harry Adams with the City of Hamburg met with the board to discuss abatement of taxes for buyout properties in Hamburg. The taxes have not been paid on these properties since 2019. The total for real estate taxes is around \$17,000 and the total for drainage is around \$9,600. The board stated the item was for discussion only but they would gather more information and consider it next week.

In other business, the Sheriff's Monthly Report was approved for October 2023.


Claims were approved for November 10, 2023.

At 9:34 a.m., motion to adjourn by Blackburn. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:



Dee Owen, Auditor



Chris Clark, Chairman

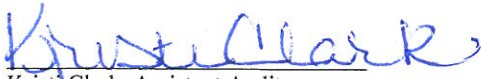
The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in a special session on Tuesday, November 14, 2023, in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom, with Chris Clark and Dustin Sheldon present. Let the records show that Clint Blackburn was not present for this meeting. A quorum was declared, and the meeting was officially called to order at 9:00 a.m. The agenda was approved as posted. The minutes of the previous board session were read and approved.

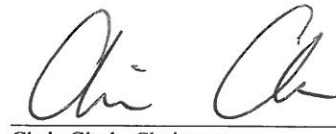
Let the records show that County Attorney Peter Johnson was present for this meeting.

The board held the 1st Tier canvass of the results of the Fremont County 2023 City/School Election (Fremont County only). Motion by Sheldon to approve the canvass results of the Fremont County 2023 City/School Election. Motion carried unanimously.

At 9:24 a.m., motion to adjourn by Sheldon. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:


Kristi Clark, Assistant Auditor


Chris Clark, Chairman

The Mills County Attorney, the Mills County Assistant Attorneys and the Montgomery County Attorney and the Montgomery County Assistant Attorney shall be responsible for complying with all applicable laws, rules, and ethical standards governing the practice of law in the State of Iowa.

Motion by Blackburn.

ATTEST:

/s/ Dee Owen
Fremont County Auditor

/s/ Chris Clark, Chairman aye
/s/ Dustin Sheldon aye
/s/ Clint Blackburn aye

At 9:21 a.m., Jack Reed and Chelsea Stoll with INCS joined the meeting.

John Askew with Missouri Valley Drainage District met with the board regarding the county purchasing stamped warrants. He told the board that they are around \$6 million in debt due to a delay in funds that FEMA owes them. They need to pay their current debt to their clerk and other expenses. He believes it will be around \$10,000.00. He is requesting that the county agree as they did with Mule Slough to buying warrants for necessary expenses. Auditor Owen stated that Mule Slough/West Benton was a limit of \$10,000 and it was for operating/maintenance expenses. Clark suggested they also reach out to our state & federal representatives to see if they can help with FEMA. Askew said he had been working with Senator Grassley directly on this issue. They are still appealing the decisions. Motion by Blackburn to allow the county to purchase stamped warrants not to exceed \$10,000.00 for maintenance/operating costs for MVDD. Clark, aye; Blackburn, aye; Sheldon, abstain.

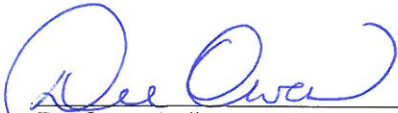
At 9:34 a.m., motion by Sheldon to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 20.17(3) to discuss union negotiations. Clark, aye; Dustin, aye; Blackburn, aye.


At 11:14 a.m., motion by Sheldon to go out of closed session. Clark, aye; Sheldon, aye; Blackburn, aye.

Claims were approved for November 17th, 2023.

At 11:14 a.m., motion to adjourn by Blackburn. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:


Dee Owen, Auditor


Chris Clark, Chairman