

The Office of Mills County Auditor
Carol Robertson
Mills County Courthouse
Glenwood, IA

The Board of Supervisors met this 9th day of February 2021 at the Mills County Courthouse in Glenwood with Supervisors Lonnie Mayberry, Carol Vinton, and Richard Crouch present in person.

Supervisor Crouch opened the meeting and since the Courthouse opened to the public on July 13th the Board will no longer be streaming live. Once the meetings are over and approved at the next meeting, they will be posted to the County website on the YouTube Channel link which is provided on the Agenda and on the County website.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Vinton to approve the February 9, 2021 consent agenda which includes minutes from February 2, 2021 and Accounts Payables for February 9, 2021 as presented. There were no liquor license renewals. Motion carried on vote: Ayes-3, Nays-0.

Julie Lynes, Public Health Administrator and Larry Hurst Emergency Management/E-911 presented with updates. Lynes reported to date the positivity rate is creeping up. There were 29 new confirmed cases for this week, 14-day positivity rate is 11.8%; and there were 3 new deaths this week. There have been 1,492 vaccines distributed to Mills County residents, and 333 have completed the series. Lynes stated that the Public Health recommendation is to continue wearing masks as research shows masks do help. The Board agreed to continue requiring mask wearing in our county buildings. Lynes stated that Mills County will receive monies from Local Government Relief Fund for Emergency Response Funding due to the public health emergency. This will be used for items such as PPE supplies, equipment, and staffing. Hurst stated that he is watching vendors for the best pricing and availability for PPE supplies.

Mills County Engineer Cory Gaston and Mark McVay joined the session. There were no utility permits this week. Discussion included getting bids for oil drain collectors for the new shop and overhaul of several roads in the future.

Holly Jackson, Building and Zoning Tech presented the Board with updates from their department. She presented them with Permit Reports for the month of January. She reported a busy month with continued inspections of current projects. Jackson also presented the Board with a report of Building Certificates that were recorded with the Mills County Recorder's office. There were a total of 106. Certificates consisting of Certificates of Completion, Certificates of Occupancy and Certificates of Non-Completion. The Zoning Board of Adjustment heard one item, of which was an appeal for a denied Conditional Use Permit from November 2020. The appeal was also denied. Planning and Zoning Commission met in February and established committees to begin work on updating Grading Ordinance with the Mills County Engineer as part of the updated Soil Extraction Ordinance. They also established a committee to begin working with Mills County Economic Development updating the Mills County Comprehensive Plan. A third committee was established to finalize the new Solar Ordinance.

Jackson also requested permission to purchase a computer from CDW in the amount of 1,067.39 at the recommendation of Patrick Binns, IT Director. Motion by Vinton, seconded by Mayberry to approve the purchase. Motion carried on vote: Ayes; 3, Nays: 0.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Vinton to authorize the Board Chair to sign the 2021 Wellness Program Agreement and Mills County to participate. Motion carried on vote: Ayes; 3, Nays: 0.

Cara Morgan, Golden Hills RC&D, & JEO, SWIPCO & MAPA Representatives discussed future projects for the CDBG.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Vinton to authorize the Board Chair to sign the Aistrophe Project agreements. The project will be approved pending their permits. Motion carried on vote: Ayes; 3, Nays: 0.

Motion by Vinton, , seconded by Mayberry to authorize the Board Chair to sign the Tribal Consultation letters concerning CDBG-NDR W. Nishnabotna Watershed Project, Bid Bundle No. 4. Motion carried on vote: Ayes; 3, Nays: 0.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Vinton to approve GAX #64 University of Iowa #40 \$9,824.00; JEO Consulting Jan 2021 INV \$26,883.00; Total \$36,707.00. Motion carried on vote: Ayes; 3, Nays: 0.

Marco Floreani - Economic Development was present along with Steve Meade with AgriVision. Meade gave an update on the business expansion.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, they adjourned to meet on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

Richard Crouch, Chairman

ATTEST:

Carol Robertson, Auditor