

Office of Mills County Auditor
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Mills County Courthouse
Glenwood, IA

The Board of Supervisors met on this 24th day of October 2023, at the Mills County Courthouse in Glenwood with Supervisors Lonnie Mayberry, Carol Vinton and Richard Crouch present. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Crouch, seconded by Vinton to approve the Amended Consent Agenda having Patrick Binns unable to attend and Minutes as presented from October 17th, 2023. Accounts Payable to be moved to later in the meeting. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Jacob Ferro, County Engineer, was present for his scheduled meeting. Motion by Vinton, seconded by Mayberry to approve the driveway variance for Josh Pedersen originally denied due to separation. Per the County Engineer sight distance and safety are good. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 2, Nays: 0. Votes: Crouch – Nay, Mayberry – Aye, Vinton - Aye

Motion by Crouch, seconded by Vinton to approve the purchase of a 6'9X40"X42" custom work bench for the County's Sign Shop crew in the amount of \$5,335.00 which was budgeted this year. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Ferro informed the Board he has had 8 to 10 applicants for the Truck Driver position.

Amy Blackburn, Omaha District Attorney, was present for her meeting with the Board. Blackburn presented the Board with suggestions on the dirt bike situation in the Loess Hills in Mills County. Blackburn is a neighbor to one of the locations having multiple complaints. She stated Noise nuisance and Protected land conservation as a few of the neighbors' complaints, as well as her own. Calloways were also present and mentioned forms of harassment on social media. Board took into advisement suggestions given, however, have no jurisdiction over media and civil matters.

Josh England, Chief Deputy, was present for his scheduled meeting. Motion by Crouch, seconded by Vinton to approve the hiring of Detention Officer Allie Alison, having passed all the preemployment screenings and testing, in the amount of \$43,534, with a one-year probation period. Alison will begin work Oct 25, 2023. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Motion by Crouch, seconded by Vinton to approve the hiring of Detention Officer Patrick Wilson, having passed all the preemployment screenings and testing, in the amount of \$43,534, with a one-year probation period. Wilson will begin work Oct 25, 2023. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Steve Poole, Head Building and Grounds Supervisor, arrived for his meeting. Motion by Vinton, seconded by Crouch to approve the construction contract on the basement ceiling to Ideal Construction in the amount of \$17,667.00. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Motion by Vinton, seconded by Mayberry to approve the Accounts Payable as presented from October 17, 2023. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0.

Matt Wyant, Pottawattamie Public Health, was present for his scheduled meeting. Wyant presented to the Board the possible realignment of Public Health and what he feels this may look like. The State has been discussing the want to make it regional and Wyant presented options he sees as may be coming our direction. He presented the Board situations mirroring what has happened with Mental Health, WIC, STI Program as well as others that have already been moved to regional. At this time no definite specifics have been made to any of the counties.

Rocky Thomas, Loess Hills Landfill, asked for time to speak to the Board. Thomas informed the Board he is driving Hwy 34 daily hoping to stay ahead of any debris/trash issues from drivers. They will be testing a new tarp system on two of their trucks and if goes well will change all vehicles to this style of tarp as money is available. They will be having a ribbon cutting on November 16, 2023, for their new methane plant.

There being no further business to come before the Board, they adjourned to meet on Tuesday, October 31, 2023.

Lonnie Mayberry, Chair

ATTEST:

Ami Petersen, Auditor