

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

The Board of Supervisors met this 22nd day of February 2022, at the Mills County Courthouse in Glenwood with Supervisors Carol Vinton, Lonnie Mayberry, and Richard Crouch present.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Crouch to approve Consent Agenda and minutes from February 15, 2022 as received, and Accounts Payables as presented. There were no liquor license renewals. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Larry Winum was present to discuss the Bellevue Bridge final updates. Winum has been on the Bellevue Bridge Committee. They are planning to build a new bridge and the City of Bellevue will be the owner. The support they are asking is to ask Iowa/Mills County to continue maintaining the road to the bridge.

Mills County Engineer Jacob Ferro joined the session. There were no utility permit reports. Ferro gave updates on the safety meeting he had with the Secondary Roads crew and had DOT come down for training. There was a potluck and the Supervisors were invited and gave plaques to retirees: Richard Parks and Hugh Hansen for their years of service.

Chief Deputy Josh England was present. Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Crouch to approve hiring Alexis Kittelson for deputy position at \$54,542.00 six month probationary period starting on February 22, 2022. She has passed all required physical and drug screening. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Motion by Crouch, seconded by Mayberry to approve hiring Alexander Killpack for deputy position at \$54,542.00 six month probationary period per Union contract with a start date of February 22, 2022. He has passed all required physical and drug screening. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Motion by Crouch, seconded by Mayberry to approve Jailer Kyle Blackledge's resignation with a last day of March 3, 2022. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Crouch to approve filling the jailer position by advertising to hire. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

England discussed future LEO contract buyouts with Deputy Assistant County Attorney Ryan Dale present. Only one deputy has requested prior to hire and if this was a request prior to hiring, then the Sheriff's Department would be open to paying off the contract.

Eric Johansen-Glenwood Police Dept. joined the meeting to request use of Courthouse Grounds for "Cultivate Community." Motion by Crouch, seconded by Mayberry to approve use of Courthouse grounds on August 10, 2022, with set-up to start at 4 p.m. Johansen is hoping to increase options and attendance. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Cara Morgan, Golden Hills RC&D Representative gave updates on current projects.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Crouch to set public hearing date for FY 22/23 budget for the proposed property tax levy to be March 15, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Bill McGrew, Matt Perkins, and Rick Mabary joined the session to request funding for Indian Creek Museum. Motion by Crouch, seconded by Mayberry to approve some electrical work to help with the Blacksmith Shop they have created. In 2024, they will be hosting the National Blacksmith Conference. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Barb Mass, Larry Raabe Board members, and Julianne Marriott with Glen Haven Village were present to discuss their frustration with the fact that they missed out on Phase 3 funding. They have received some funding from the Rural Fund and are waiting to hear what fund Phase 4. Discussion with the State, Kelly Garcia-DHS states funding nursing homes isn't something the State is willing to do. Supervisors offered the direct number to Grassley's office. Supervisors Crouch and Vinton were both in Washington DC and talked with the Federal Representatives. The request would be to get them any assistance.

Chris Govig, Assessor joined the meeting. Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Crouch to approve impoundments. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Motion by Crouch, seconded by Mayberry to authorize chair to sign State of IA Designation of Applicant's Authorized Representative. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

Motion by Crouch, seconded by Mayberry to authorize chair to sign NonRUS Outside Plant Contracts for Proposed Construction Fiber Facilities in Mills Co Phase 2 Project. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 3, Nays: 0

There being no further business to come before the Board, they adjourned to meet on March 1, 2022.

Carol Vinton, Chair

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Carol Robertson, Auditor