

October 25, 2018

Chairman Straight called the meeting to order with Members King and Utman answering roll call. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Utman, second by King. Unanimous approval. Previous minutes were approved on a motion by Utman, second by King. Unanimous approval.

Visitors: Jacob Snyder, Tony Smith and Georgia Johnson

Rural Transit Agreement

The Board approved the annual rural transit system joint participation agreement with Southwest Iowa Planning Council on a motion by Utman, second by King. Unanimous approval.

Handwritten Warrant

A handwritten warrant to US Bank in the amount of \$4,331.28 was approved on a motion by Utman, second by King. Unanimous approval.

Tourism Update

Renea Anderson, Harrison County Development, met with the Board to update them on newly released 2017 economic impact from tourism. Harrison County ranks 36 out of the 99 Iowa counties in bringing in tourism dollars. For 2017, the economic impact for Harrison County amounted to \$28,390,000; a slight increase from 2016.

Engineer

County engineer Steven Struble met with the Board and updated them on the following project: **335th Street HMA Resurfacing – L-20 to Nixon** – Contractor accomplished a lot last week and has a good chance of making headway on our 335th Street project next week if the weather holds out. Contractor plans to set up road closures on Monday and move in and begin work on Tuesday, October 30th.

County Crews have been making progress on fixing slough-offs this week. The blades have made the rounds on their level B roads and made them passable. Mowing is taking place in territories 4 and 9.

A landowner requested the paving of Quentin Trail due to health reasons. Mr. Struble would review the average daily traffic count but felt other roads had higher traffic count that would warrant paving before Quentin Trail IF someday financing allows.

A utility permit from Windstram to bore a new 12 pair copper to replace a washed out 3 pair cable on 194th Street and on Kendrick Avenue. Motion to approve by Utman, second by King. Unanimous approval.

Seig Drainage District

The board met as trustees for the Seig Drainage District with all members present. Also present were Susan Bonham, Auditor, Elizabeth Lenz, Drainage Clerk, Jacob Snyder, Twiner-Herald Observer, Jennifer Mumm, Drainage Attorney, and the following interested parties: Steven Bonham, James W. Olinger, Frank J. Salter, Tony Smith and Georgia Johnson.

Jennifer spoke with the board regarding annexation of the land south of the current district. There were two codes that pertain to annexing, 468.124 needs a petition to create an overlying district and 468.119 can be done without a petition but must show that the landowners are receiving benefit from the current district.

Discussion was held by many of the parties with the consensus being that the river running high is where most of the problem is. Jennifer stated that as long as there is no damage caused by the pumping, the district should be able to pump as they have in the past. Mr. Olinger and Mr. Salter stated that they feel that the district is running fine as it is now and do not wish to spend any additional district money for engineering reports.

On a motion by King, second by Utman, the motion to hire Troy Groth, Sundquist Engineering, to look into possible annexation and the adding of an additional new second pump at the Rand levy, was rescinded. Unanimous approval.

With business of the day completed, the Board adjourned on a motion by King, second by Utman. Unanimous approval.

ATTEST:

Susan Bonham, Auditor

John Straight, Chairman