

December 19, 2023

Cerwinske & Hildebrandt presented Years of Service Recognition to employees in the Courthouse 1<sup>st</sup> floor meeting room.

The Bremer County Board of Supervisors met in session on Tuesday, December 19, 2023 in the Courthouse, Waverly, Iowa, at 9:00 a.m. Cerwinske, Hildebrandt present. Kammeyer absent. Kassandra Johansen, Finance Director, also present. Unless otherwise noted all actions were approved unanimously. Some Resolutions and Ordinances herein are summary descriptions, full text is available for viewing online at:

[https://www.bremercounty.iowa.gov/government/resolutions\\_and\\_ordinances.php](https://www.bremercounty.iowa.gov/government/resolutions_and_ordinances.php) and also available M – F 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM in the Bremer County Auditor’s office.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Cerwinske. Hildebrandt moved/Cerwinske second to approve the agenda. Mike LaCoste & Adam Hoffman, Treasurer, present for the duration of the meeting. Darius P. Robinson, County Attorney, present.

Board met with Sally Yungtum, Bremer County Board of Health & Lindley Sharp, Public Health Director for a FY25 Pre-budget discussion and department update.

Hildebrandt moved/Cerwinske second to approve the 12/12/23 minutes.

Board reviewed farm lease contract revisions and discussed beginning and end dates. Hildebrandt moved/Cerwinske second to authorize the Vice-Chair to sign revised farm lease contracts adding the requirement for retailers to provide electronic data as applied and switched responsibility for payment of fertilizer from the county to the farm tenants. Robinson exited.

Brian Stark, Martin Gardner Architecture, presented a schematic design for Phase I of a proposed EMA/Public Health Building project. No action taken.

Board met with Landon Moore, Engineer, for a weekly department update. Hildebrandt moved/Cerwinske second to open the Public Hearing for the First Reading of Ordinance #23-08, setting requirements for location, installation, and compensation for standing corn snow fences in Bremer County, IA. Adam Hoffman, Treasurer, spoke in support. Board and Moore reported receiving no comments from the public. Mike LaCoste present. Hildebrandt moved/Cerwinske second to close the Public Hearing. Hildebrandt moved/Cerwinske second to approve the First Reading of Ordinance #23-08 and set the date for the Second Reading to 12/26/23 at 10:00 a.m.

Hildebrandt moved/Cerwinske second to authorize Board Vice-Chair to sign revised FY24 Wellmark documents changing Bremer County’s pharmacy copay card program from CVS to Prudent RX as approved 9/26/23.

Discussion was held on funding options for the EMA/Public Health Building & Courthouse Addition and Renovation projects. No action taken on a Resolution to fix a date for a public hearing on a proposal to enter into a General Obligation Urban Renewal Loan Agreement and to borrow money thereunder.

Board met with Erik Pingel, ISG, to review and finalize the CMAr Request for Qualifications document for the Bremer County Courthouse Addition and Renovation. Pingel presented a cost estimate for the project and for Construction Manager at Risk (CMAr). A furniture proposal was also reviewed. Hildebrandt moved/Cerwinski second to approve moving forward with the CMAr process. Scott LaRue, GIS/Maintenance, Mike LaCoste, Adam Hoffman, Treasurer, Darius P. Robinson, County Attorney, present.

Tim Meeker, Customer Convenience Center Mgr., met with the board to discuss FY24 & FY25 capital projects.

Board met with Jan Heidemann, MHDD/GA/SA for a FY25 budget work session.

Board discussed 2024 appointments to boards and commissions.

The FY25 budget discussion was put on hold until valuations are complete.

Board pondered possibilities for the future of the Emergency Management/Safety & Risk position.

Tony Pollastrini, The Accel Group, presented the county's insurance coverage for 2024. Hildebrandt moved/Cerwinski second to authorize Board Vice-Chair to sign Bremer County's insurance renewal.

Hildebrandt moved/Cerwinski second to adjourn at 12:16 p.m.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular session of the December 19, 2023 meeting of the Bremer County Board of Supervisors.

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Corey Cerwinski, Vice-Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Shelley Wolf, Auditor