

At 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, a Department Head meeting was held in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom. Present were Alise Snyder, Scott Evans, Tarah Berry, Vicki Kirkpatrick, Clayton Long, Clint Blackburn, Jeff Shearer, Kristi Clark, Caleb Hammons, Dan Davis and Peter Johnson. Topics discussed: safety incidents & policies, and software support.

The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom, with Clint Blackburn and Jeff Shearer present. Let the record show that Dustin Sheldon was not present for this meeting. A quorum was declared, and the meeting was officially called to order at 9:00 a.m. The agenda was approved as posted. Minutes of the previous board session were read and approved.

Let the record show that Engineer Dan Davis, Treasurer Alise Snyder, Attorney Peter Johnson, EMA Clayton Long, Sanitarian Caleb Hammons, Assessor Vicki Kirkpatrick, Recorder Tarah Berry, and Liz Skillern were present at this meeting.

Motion by Shearer to sign title sheet for Project FM-CO36(83) - - 55-36. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed making a date change for the meeting next week but because the budget amendment hearing is set and has been published for Wednesday January 15, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. the board will meet at its regular scheduled date and time. No action taken.

The board discussed the yearly contribution to Loess Hills Alliance. The last contribution was in FY20. This is paid out of county betterment local option funds. Motion by Shearer to pay the \$2,000 for FY26. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed appointments to the Loess Hills Alliance Board. Motion by Shearer to reappoint Dustin Sheldon, Mike Fox and Bob Benton as Directors and Terry Lewis as Alternate to the Loess Hills Alliance Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Alise Snyder met with the board for the approval of the semi-annual report. Motion by Shearer to approve the semi-annual report. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Shearer to allow Chairman Blackburn to sign the following Resolution 2024-11. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-12

CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Iowa Code section 459.304(3) sets out the procedure if a board of supervisors wishes to adopt a “construction evaluation resolution” relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution can submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) an adopted recommendation to approve or disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution and submitted an adopted recommendation may contest the DNR’s decision regarding a specific application; and

WHEREAS, by adopting a construction evaluation resolution the board of supervisors agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operation structure received by the board of supervisors between February 1, 2025, and January 31, 2026, and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR; and

WHEREAS, the board of supervisors must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix created in Iowa Code section 459.305, but the board’s recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF FREMONT COUNTY that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this construction evaluation resolution pursuant to Iowa Code section 459.304(3).

/s/ Clint Blackburn

Chair, Board of Supervisors

January 8, 2025

ATTEST:

/s/ Kristi Clark

County Assistant Auditor

January 8, 2025

In other business, the Recorder’s Monthly Report was approved for December 2024.

Claims were approved for January 10, 2025.

At 9:15 a.m., with no further business, Shearer motioned to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:



Kristi Clark, Assistant Auditor



Dustin Sheldon, Vice Chairman

The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in special session on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom, with Clint Blackburn, Dustin Sheldon, and Jeff Shearer present. A quorum was declared, and the meeting was officially called to order at 9:02 a.m. The agenda was approved as posted.

Let the record show that Jack Reed with INCS was present by telephone for this meeting.

At 9:02 a.m., motion by Shearer to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 20.17(3) to discuss union negotiations. Vote: Blackburn, aye; Sheldon, aye; Shearer, aye. At 9:02 a.m., the board went into closed session. Roll call: Chairman Clint Blackburn, Vice Chairman Dustin Sheldon, Member Jeff Shearer, Jack Reed HR by telephone, and Auditor Dee Owen. At 10:14 a.m., motion by Sheldon to go out of closed session. Vote: Blackburn, aye; Sheldon, aye; Shearer, aye.

At 10:14 a.m., with no further business, Sheldon motioned to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:



Dee Owen, Auditor



Dustin Sheldon, Vice Chairman