HARDIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES – July 24, 2024 WEDNESDAY – 9:00 A.M. HARDIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

The Hardin County Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting at 9:00 AM on July 24, 2024, at the Hardin County Courthouse large conference room in Eldora, Iowa.

Board members in attendance were Lance Granzow, Renee McClellan, and BJ Hoffman. Also attending: Ann Larson, Matt Jones, Taylor Roll, Jolene Pieters, Machel Eichmeier, McKenzie Burton, Elaine Loring, Donna Juber, and Deb Crosser.

McClellan moved and Hoffman seconded to approve the agenda. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved and McClellan seconded to approve the minutes of July 17, 2024. All Ayes. Motion carried.

McClellan moved and Hoffman seconded the motion to approve claims for payments for July 24, 2024. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved and McClellan seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2024-25 for Tax Abatement. Roll Call was taken. Roll Call Vote: "Ayes" Granzow, McClellan, and Hoffman. "Nays" None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2024-25 is hereby adopted as follows:

TAX ABATEMENT

Whereas, Iowa Code Section 657A.10B states in lieu of the procedures in sections 657A.1 through 657A.10 and 657A.10A, a city or county in which a building is abandoned for at least six consecutive months is located may petition the court to enter judgment awarding title to the abandoned property to the city or county. If the court determines that the property has been abandoned or that subsection 5 applies, the court shall enter judgment awarding title to the city or county. The title awarded to the city or county shall be free and clear of any claims, liens, or encumbrances held by the respondents.

Whereas, the City of Iowa Falls, was issued by the Iowa District Court for Hardin County order no. EQCV102053 dated March 19, 2024, that judgment is hereby ordered in favor of the Petitioner, City of Iowa Falls, IA, and the Court here by awards title of the following property to the City of Iowa Falls, IA, free and clear of any liens and encumbrances.

Now therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Supervisors shall abate all the following listed net taxes, all interest, fees, and costs, on the following property:

Lot 1, Block 5, Ellsworth & Jones addition to Iowa Falls, Hardin County Iowa, to the City of Iowa Falls, Hardin County, Iowa (locally know as 403 Bliss, City of Iowa Falls),

Parcel number 892018353002.

Net tax for tax year 2022 \$160.00

Plus, all interest and cost \$ 21.00

Passed and approved this 24th day of July 2024.

McClellan moved and Hoffman seconded the motion to approve fireworks permits for Daniel Hauser & Union Betterment Association for August 2, 2024, at the Union Hills Golf Course. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved and McClellan seconded the motion to instruct the County Attorney to prepare resolution to renew Northeast Iowa Regional Group 28E agreement. All Ayes. Motion carried.

McClellan moved and Hoffman seconded the motion to approve the employment contract with Deb Crosser 2024-2025. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved and McClellan seconded the motion to approve the changes to the Hardin County handbook section 4:3. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved and McClellan seconded the motion to table the approval of IT Department to order Windows based device for Medical Examiner. Discussion: Hoffman stated that he would contact the examiners and get more information on the devices they are needing. All Ayes. Motion carried.

McClellan moved and Hoffman seconded the motion to approve the change of status in the Sheriff's Department for the hiring of Nick Ryan as a full-time Deputy Sheriff at an hourly rate of \$31.70, effective July 15, 2024. All Ayes. Motion carried.

McClellan moved and Hoffman seconded the motion to approve the change of status in the Sheriff's Department for the promotion of Makayla Nolte from part-time to full-time Correctional Officer at an hourly rate of \$21.79, effective July 22, 2024. All Ayes. Motion carried.

McClellan moved and Hoffman seconded the motion to approve the change of status in the Sheriff's Department for the promotion of Aaron Cronk from part-time to full-time Correctional Officer at an hourly rate of \$21.79, effective July 22, 2024. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Other Business:

Roll stated that the road closures for Hardin County have been transferred to the Iowa 511system.

Hoffman stated that he was contacted about concerns in the transparency of Hardin County's claims that are published and available to the public. Hoffman stated that he did some research

and found that Adams County, Poweshiek County, Story County, Bremer County, Black Hawk County, and Dubuque County do not list their claims. Hoffman stated that the only county around us that list their claim was Cerro Gordo County and they use the same format as Hardin County.

Hoffman stated that he had looked back, and claims have been posted the same as they are now. Hoffman also stated that he looked back on Hardin County's Audit and there was no concern from the auditing firm. Hoffman stated that there is nothing that is being hidden.

Public comments- None

Hoffman moved and McClellan seconded the motion to adjourn. All Ayes. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Lance Granzow, Chair or Vice-Chair Board of Supervisors

Ann Larson Executive Assistant to the Board of Supervisors