

NOVEMBER 28, 2023, FORTY-EIGHTH MEETING OF THE WOODBURY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. Board members present were Nelson, Ung, Bittinger II, Radig, and Taylor. Staff members present were Karen James, Board Administrative Assistant, Dennis Butler, Finance and Budget Director, Melissa Thomas, Human Resources Director, and Michelle Skaff, Deputy Auditor/Clerk to the Board.

The regular meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a Moment of Silence.

1. Motion by Ung second by Nelson to approve the agenda for November 28, 2023. Carried 5-0. Copy filed.

Motion by Ung second by Taylor to approve the following items by consent:

2. To approve minutes of the November 21, 2023 meeting. Copy filed.
3. To approve the claims totaling \$520,811.44. Copy filed.
- 4a. To approve the separation of Easton Voigt, Civilian Jailer, County Sheriff Dept., effective 12-06-23. Resignation.; the reclassification of Michelle Mann, Civilian Jailer, County Sheriff Dept., effective 12-11-23, \$32.12/hour, 11.5%=\$3.35/hour. Per CWA Civilian Officers Contract agreement, from Senior Class to Master Class; the reclassification of Daniel Priestley, Zoning Coordinator, Community and Economic Development Dept., effective 12-11-23, \$2762.66/bi-weekly, 6.5%=\$168.61/bi-weekly. Per Wage Plan Matrix, 6 year salary increase.; the reclassification of Juan De La Roca Sis, P/T Youth Worker, Juvenile Detention Dept., effective 12-11-23, \$22.26/hour, 4%=\$.85/hour. Per AFSCME Juvenile Detention Contract agreement, from Grade 1/Step 1 to Grade 1/Step 2.; and the reclassification of Marquesha Farris, P/T Youth Worker, Juvenile Detention Dept., effective 12-11-23, \$22.26/hour, 4%=\$.85/hr. Per AFSCME Juvenile Detention Contract agreement, from Grade 1/Step 1 to Grade 1/Step 2. Copy filed.
- 4b. To approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign the Authorization to initiate the hiring process for Civilian Jailer, County Sheriff Dept. CWA: \$23.97/hour. Copy filed.

Carried 5-0.

5. Motion by Taylor second by Ung to receive for signatures a Resolution Proclamation Shop Rural Weekend in Woodbury County, Iowa. Carried 5-0.

Melissa Nelson, Correctionville, Marissa Molland, Merville, Kari Cassens, Merville, and Steve Maxwell, Merville, addressed the board regarding the proclamation.

**WOODBURY COUNTY, IOWA
RESOLUTION #13,683
PROCLAMATION
SHOP RURAL WEEKEND IN WOODBURY COUNTY, IOWA**

WHEREAS, the vibrant communities of Woodbury County, Iowa, are enriched by the unique character and contributions of our local businesses; and

WHEREAS, the heart of our county lies in the rural landscapes that showcase the resilience, craftsmanship, and entrepreneurship of our dedicated community members; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the importance of supporting our local economy, we celebrate the diverse array of businesses that define the rural charm of Woodbury County; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of community thrives when we come together to uplift and sustain the businesses that form a major component of our county's economic vitality; and

WHEREAS, by promoting and participating in local commerce, we foster a sense of pride, camaraderie, and

prosperity that resonates throughout Woodbury County; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the Shop Rural Weekend as an opportunity for residents and visitors alike to explore the treasures of our local shops, markets, and establishments;

NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors and the citizens of Woodbury County, I do hereby proclaim December 1-3, 2023 as "Shop Rural Weekend." I encourage all residents to embrace this occasion by patronizing the businesses that contribute to the unique character and economic strength of our county.

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Copy filed.

6. Motion by Taylor second by Nelson to approve up to \$6,000.00 from CIP funds to improve the configuration and technology of the Auditor's Conference Room to be paid from gaming. Carried 5-0. Copy filed.
7. Motion by Ung second by Bittinger to approve memo to all elected officials and department heads to hold the line on operating budgets requests at 0 percent for FY25. Carried 5-0.
8. Reports on committee meetings were heard.
9. Leo Jochum, Salix, Kevin Nelson, Salix Mayor, and Doyle Turner, 2738th 200th St, addressed the board regarding concerns about the proposed Salix Drainage District.

Pat Gill, County Auditor, presented a proposed resolution to the board to request the Iowa Attorney General to investigate election activities and if warranted file a petition for removal of Jeremy Taylor from the office of Woodbury County Supervisor.

Motion by Ung second by Radig to receive a copy of the proposed resolution from Auditor Gill. Carried 4-0, Taylor abstained. Copy filed.

Doyle Turner, 2738 200th St, and Craig Levine, Sioux City, addressed the board regarding Jeremy Taylor.

10. Board concerns were heard.

Jim Fisher, Merville mayor, addressed the board regarding the Merville frontage road.

The Board adjourned the regular meeting until December 5, 2023.

Meeting sign in sheet. Copy filed.