

Approved Emmet County Board of Supervisor Minutes
December 02, 2025, at 08:30 a.m.
Regular Meeting
Board Room, Courthouse

Present: Lisa Hansen, Chair; Jeff Quastad, Todd Glasnapp, Tim Schumacher, John Pluth joined meeting at 8:31 a.m.
Media: Mike Tidemann, Ed Funston
Emmet County Employees present: Kayleen Farmer, Justin Schultes, Travis Sheridan

Chairman Hansen, called the meeting to order. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by Quastad, second by Glasnapp to approve the minutes of the last meeting 11.25.2025 also approving them for publication. Motion to approve the agenda with correction, by Glasnapp, second by Quastad. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Committee updates: Quastad –ECCOG

Public forum: Randy Heikens brought handouts and talked about Iowa Code and ordinances.

Gail Petersen discussed the opening of the Ringsted Museum and requested the previously approved funding by the Board of \$500 for FY26.

Motion by Quastad, second by Glasnapp, to give the following list of recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Committee on Amending the 2013 Ordinance Emmet County, Iowa Article XVI Mid Energy Regulations.

Amendment to wind energy ordinance supervisor changes from work sessions:

- Section 16.4 Part 2 Setbacks (b) Property Lines – changed from 1,000 ft to 110% of total height from adjacent property lines
- Section 16.4 Part 12 Sound – changed dB level from 45 to 50 (in two locations)
- Section 16.4 Part 16 Shadow Flicker – changed “zero” to “30 hours or less annually” of shadow flicker (in two locations)
- Section 16.9 Mitigation of Damages Part 2 Drainage System – changed 500 ft to 100 ft of any “public county” drainage district tile or open drainage ditch
- Section 16.4 Part 2 Setbacks (a) Dwelling – changed from 3,280 to 2,900 feet from any human occupied dwelling

All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Discussion on quotes for Judge Bennett Finn’s office furniture. Motion by Schumacher, second by Glasnapp, to accept the bid for \$9258.36 for Judge Bennett Finn’s office furniture. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Stacia Timmer gave Elderbridge annual report and FY 27 budget request of \$9514.

Kurt Strouth and Trevor Smith from Iowa Great Lakes Corridor gave program recap and made a budget request for \$30,000 for FY27.

Sheriff Schultes discussed consideration of continuation of current dispatcher wage matrix pay rate after the Union is dissolved. Motion by Pluth, Second by Schumacher to continue the wage matrix. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Pluth, second by Glasnapp, for approval of allowed family farm credits for the 2025 valuation year. All Ayes. Motion Carried. Motion by Quastad, second by Pluth for approval of disallowed family farm credits for 2025 valuation year. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Pluth, second by Schumacher, to designate Emily Behrends, Assessor’s Office, as local zoning contact. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion to appoint Randy Peltz to the Emmet County Planning and Zoning Committee. Motion by Schumacher, second by Glasnapp, All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Quastad to appoint Richard Blinkman to the Emmet county Board of Adjustment. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Quastad, second by Pluth to approve joint drainage claim for EK4 from Blair Drainage & Excavating LLC for \$636.50. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Board reviewed Manure Management Plans:

Owner	Facility Name	Site
Jeff Anderson	J.A.N.S. FARMS INC	#60020

Daybreak Foods	DAYBREAK FOODS OAKRIDGE	#58698
Summit Pork III LLP	Denmark 35	#71614

A progress report was submitted to the board for the new courthouse addition by Steve Christensen.

Motion by Glasnapp, second by Quastad, to adjourn at 9:50 a.m. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Kayleen Farmer, Emmet County Auditor's Assistant

Lisa Hansen, Chairman