Approved Emmet County Board of Supervisor Minutes
July 21, 2026 at 08:30 a.m.
Regular Meeting
Board Room, Courthouse

Present: Lisa Hansen, Chair; Tim Schumacher, Vice-Chair (via Zoom); Todd Glasnapp; John Pluth; Jeff Quastad.

Media: Mike Tidemann, Ed Funston

Emmet County Employees present: Melanie Summers Bauler, Casee Ross, Tammy Stine, Walter Davis-Oeth via Zoom

Chairperson Hansen, called the meeting to order. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by Quastad, second by Glasnapp to approve the board meeting minutes from the meeting 7.14.2026, also approving them for publication. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion to approve agenda by Pluth, second by Shumacher. All Ayes, motion carried.

Committee updates: Hansen-Petersen Point; Hansen-department heads; Hansen reminded of the Board of Adjustment meeting at 6 p.m. tonight. Quastad-HAZMAT; Glasnapp- Iowa Corridor of Development.

Public forum: Summers Bauler, Goebel and Glasnapp attended an Ahlers and Cooney Zoom call in regard to the Summit Carbon Capture Pipeline permit with the Iowa Utilities Commission (IUC). Counties involved are going back to State District Court for the court to rule on the judicial review.

Goebel prepared Ahlers and Cooney legal fees summary paid since Fiscal Year 2023. ICAP insurance provided legal counsel for the Summit vs. Emmet County Board of Supervisors in regard to the pipeline ordinance, fee will be a 15% deductible cost of approximately $3500. The pipeline ordinance has been repealed as of mid-May 2026 and the lawsuit was dismissed after the repeal.

Trevor and Allissa with the Iowa Great Lakes Corridor. Updated on the strategic planning session, the Okoboji Entrepreneur Institute, and the regional job fair. Pluth asked a question about the Corridor's view on data centers. Trevor offered that it is a topic at an upcoming fall conference for statewide economic development groups (PDI fall conference in Burlington, Iowa).

Public forum continued: Board of Adjustment meeting tonight. Tammy Stine presented the packet of information. Board acknowledged who will be in attendance tonight.

Casee Ross, VA Director, requested LOSST funds to fly a public speaker here for one day for his presentation on October 28, 2026. Her Veterans Affairs' grant will not be received until September. $3000 to cover the flights and transportation for his airfare and his assistant's airfare. Speaker is Chickie Donohue from Florida, the movie "The Greatest Beer Run Ever" is based on his life.

The Board tabled Resolution 26-22 to Abolish the County Compensation Board for more information to be gathered.

Motion to approve utility permit for Corn Belt Power by Quastad, second by Pluth. Area of work is 430th Ave., one mile east of Graettinger. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to accept the funding agreement for BROSCHBP-CO32(62)-NC-32 (Weir Bridge) by Pluth, second by Schumacher. All ayes. Motion carried.

Emmet County Personnel Policy review. New firearms policy needs added and removal of terms that reference collective bargaining agreements.

Board reviewed the Sheriff's Quarterly Report.

Manure Management Plans:

Site Name	Owner	Site
Kressin 1 #60560	Aaron Kressin	#60560
Farm 254 Morlins	New Fashion Pork	#68548

DRAINGE: Quastad and Dickinson County Supervisor, Steve Clark, met with the Iowa DNR about lowering the level of Twelve Mile Lake which is a part of ED3. Quastad will meet with IDDA, Doug Stryk, for guidance on how to proceed on behalf of ED3. Quastad will also meet with Drainage Engineer, Collin Klingbeil, about the meeting.

Courthouse addition updates from Schumacher.

Motion to adjourn by Quastad, second by Schumacher at 10:23 a.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Heidi Goebel, County Auditor Lisa Hansen, Chairman