

Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

Regular Session

December 19, 2023

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met this 19th day of December, 2023, in regular session in the meeting room at the Guthrie County Courthouse in Guthrie Center, Iowa with the following members present: Maggie Armstrong, Mike Dickson, Brian Johnson, Jerome “J.D.” Kuster and Steve Smith.

The meeting came to order at 9:00 a.m.

Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda, included minutes from December 12, 2023, payroll change notice for Recorder new hire Carly Heckman for \$20/hr. and Auditor Clerk Kelli Smith for \$21/hr. following her 6-month probationary period in the Auditor’s office. Motion to approve the consent agenda by Armstrong, second by Smith. All ayes.

No public comments were received.

Brad Halterman, Conservation, discussed the purchase of a truck with the Board. Halterman explained that the Conservation department has not hired to fill a vacant position, and would like to use that money saved to purchase a truck for the department. Halterman stated that he may need a budget amendment later in the fiscal year if the purchase goes through now, but he can’t say right now a specific amount he may ask to be amended. The consensus of the Board was to purchase the truck this fiscal year.

Sandra Jackson, Elderbridge Agency on Aging, thanked the board for their continued support and asked for funding of \$3.15/senior for Fiscal Year 2025.

Motion to cancel the December 26, 2023 Board meeting and reschedule for December 27, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. by Smith second by Armstrong. All ayes.

Dani Fink, Auditor, discussed January 1, 2023 valuations. Fink presented a budget worksheet for FY25 to provide an example of how State House File 718 will affect the County’s general basic and rural service levies for FY25.

Motion to enter into closed session for Brian Hoffman’s employment evaluations, per Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i), at 10:08 a.m. by Armstrong second by Dickson. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all ayes.

Motion to exit closed session at 10:49 a.m. by Kuster second by Smith. All ayes.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the Board adjourned at 10:50 a.m. until its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, December 19, 2023. Motion by Smith second by Kuster. All ayes.

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Brian Johnson, Chair  
Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Attest: Dani Fink  
Guthrie County Auditor