

February 11, 2025

The Bremer County Board of Supervisors met in session on Tuesday, February 11, 2025 in the Courthouse, Waverly, Iowa, at 8:00 a.m. Hildebrandt, Cerwinske, Brunkhorst present. Cassandra Johansen, Finance Director, also present. Unless otherwise noted all actions were approved unanimously. Some Resolutions and Ordinances herein are summary descriptions, full text is available for viewing online at:

https://www.bremercounty.iowa.gov/government/resolutions_and_ordinances.php and also available M – F 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM in the Bremer County Auditor's office.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Hildebrandt. Cerwinske moved/Brunkhorst second to approve the agenda.

Board met with Tim Meeker, Customer Convenience Ctr. Mgr. & Andy Tiedt, Secondary Roads Shop Foreman, to discuss hook truck repair options and the interim hauling contract for the Customer Convenience Ctr. Long term planning for providing Customer Convenience Ctr services was also discussed. Consensus of the board is to relocate to the County Farm site.

Cerwinske moved/Brunkhorst second to approve the 2/4/25 minutes.

Brunkhorst moved/Cerwinske second to approve claims as listed below and authorize the Auditor to issue checks.

Cerwinske moved/Brunkhorst second to approve payroll changes for Calem Liddle, Jailer, from \$48,175/yr. to \$51,448/yr., orientation over, effective 2/9/25; Jerod Roorda, CBS Direct Care Staff, from \$17/hr./ \$10.30 sleep time to \$17.25/hr./ \$10.40 sleep time, step increase, effective 2/3/25.

Board/Committee updates: Hildebrandt, Brunkhorst & Cerwinske attended the Assessor's Conference Board meeting; Brunkhorst – IA Works Board; Cerwinske – Northeast Iowa Response Group.

Brunkhorst moved/Cerwinske second to recess 8:36 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

The Bremer County Board of Supervisors as Drainage District Trustees in Bremer County, IA, met in session on Tuesday, February 11, 2025 in the Courthouse, Waverly, Iowa, at 8:45 a.m. Minutes recorded by Shelley Wolf, Auditor.

Hildebrandt & Cerwinske met as part of the Bremer-Waverly Law Board in the Law Center at 9:00 a.m. Minutes recorded by Dan Pickett, Sheriff.

Board/Committee updates: Hildebrandt shared an update in regard to the Together 4 Families reorganization.

Public comment: Johansen informed the board that a preliminary request to abate FY26 taxes on a Wartburg property could be forthcoming in March.

Johansen presented FY26 budget scenario spreadsheets for the board to consider with various wage increase options.

Board met with Patrick Myers, Miron Construction Co., Inc., Project Mgr. Brunkhorst moved/Cerwinske second to approve Courthouse Addition/Renovation Phase I Change Order PCI0008. Cerwinske moved/Brunkhorst second to approve Courthouse Addition/Renovation Phase I Change Order PCI0003. Brunkhorst moved/Cerwinske second to authorize the Board Chair to sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Building & Zoning Office renovation portion of Phase I of the Courthouse Addition/Renovation project. Myers provided an update on Phase I progress. Scott LaRue, GIS/Maintenance, present.

Board met with Landon Moore, County Engineer, for a weekly department update. Brunkhorst moved/Cerwinske second to RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. 24-78: Embargo on 260th St. from Piedmont Ave west 1 mile to Oakland Ave. A Work Session was held to review IDOT Bremer County Secondary Roads Construction 5 Year Program.

Board discussed FY26 transitioning the Mental Health/Disability & Substance Abuse services state level merge from the current regions to seven Behavioral Health Districts and the future of County General Assistance which is currently a portion of Bremer County's Mental Health Services dept. Brunkhorst moved/Cerwinske second to move Kailey Heidemann, from 100% VA Assist. Director to 40% Bremer County General Assistance / 60% VA Assist. Director. Brunkhorst moved/Cerwinske second to regretfully approve termination notices to Jan Heidemann, MHDD/SA/GA & Doreen Elliott, Assist. MH/DD Coordinator, effective July 1, 2025. Board discussed health insurance contributions. Brunkhorst moved/Cerwinske second to increase the employee premiums for single coverage plans 3% over the current year, employee premiums for family coverage plans 10% increase & employer portion 12% increase for FY26. Board discussed FY26 budget requests. Daniel Bonzer, Veteran's Affairs Director, Kailey Heidemann, VA Assist. Director, James O' Donnell, VA Commissioner, Barbara Meeker, HR Mgr., Adam Hoffman, Treasurer, Dan Pickett, Sheriff, Missy Thurm, Recorder, present.

Dave & Paul Burger, Radio Communications/RC Systems, presented a proposed electronic security system to replace the outdated hardware and for the Courthouse Addition/Renovation project in the First-Floor meeting room of the Courthouse. Robert Whitney, Deputy Sheriff, Nate Koehler, IT, Aaron Betts, Assessor, Erik Pingel, ISG Project Mgr., Sheriff Pickett, Johansen, Thurm, Hoffman, LaRue, Myers, present.

Board resumed session in the board room to review continue reviewing FY26 budget requests. Hoffman, Thurm, B. Meeker, K. Heidemann, present.

Brunkhorst moved/Cerwinske second to adjourn at 12:25 p.m.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular session of the February 11, 2025 meeting of the Bremer County Board of Supervisors.

_____ Attest: _____

Dewey Hildebrandt, Chairman

Shelley Wolf, Auditor

Claims Publication Summary 2/11/25:

Allegiant Technology	Cloud Faxing	50.10	
Alliant Energy - IP&L	Utilities	257.18	3
Amazon Capital Services	Office Supplies	78.56	
Anderson Larkin & Co PC	Annual Audit Billing	13,250.00	
Asphalt Paving Association IA	Conference Registration	750.00	
Auditor State Of Iowa	Audit Report Filing Fee	625.00	
Black Hawk Co Landfill	Tipping Fees	4,051.03	
Blackhawk Environmental Testing, Inc.	Fuel Software	1,000.00	
Bully Fabrication	Misc. Supplies	582.00	
Butler Co Rec	Utilities	493.20	
Butler-Bremer Communications	Utilities	44.95	
Calhoun-Burns & Assoc Inc	Engineering Services	52,069.25	6
Capital Sanitary Supply Co Inc	Inmate Supplies	389.84	
Century Link	Trunking Expense	33.95	
Cintas	Misc. Supplies	488.80	5
Cooley Sanitation LLC	Restroom Rental	105.00	
Corey Cerwinski	Mileage Reimbursement	376.08	2
Dales Service Inc	Vehicle Towing	460.00	
Denver Forum	Publications	1,208.93	2
Farmers Win Coop	Fuel	730.08	
Fertilizer Dealer Supply	Equipment Parts	4,553.80	
GFC Leasing - WI	Copier Lease	249.61	
Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co	Tires	1,768.82	
Gordon Flesch Co Inc	Voicemail Service	331.64	
HLW Engineering Group	Annual Water Quality Report	3,747.00	
International Code Council Inc	Membership Dues	405.00	
Iowa Communications Network	ICN Connections	452.00	
Mail Services LLC	Postage	977.27	
MidAmerican Energy Co	Utilities	38.00	
Miller Hardware	Misc. Maintenance Supplies	175.88	3
Motorola Solutions Inc	Equipment	746.06	
Napa Auto Parts	Parts	609.86	12
O'Reilly Automotive Inc	Parts	798.15	6
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc	Postage	3,251.53	2
Premiere Auto Wash	Vehicle/Equipment Maintenance	27.00	
Relx Inc DbA Lexisnexis	Monthly Subscription	446.00	
Riley's Inc	Office Equipment Repair	125.00	
Scott Pharmacy Inc	Inmate Prescription	328.30	
State Hygienic Laboratory	Water Test	180.00	
Stokes Welding	Equipment Maintenance	559.43	2
Sumner Municipal Utilities	Utilities	182.08	
Superior Welding Supply Co	Welding Supplies	17.40	
Tatro Electric Inc	Utilities	5,395.48	2
Truck Center Companies	Parts	1,155.78	7
US Cellular Corp	Survey Equipment	257.12	
Verizon Connect	Radios/GPS	568.05	2
Visa	Business Expense	560.66	5

Waverly Health Center	Random Dot Testing	35.00	
Waverly Industrial Rehab	Occ. Health Services	435.00	2
Waverly Newspapers	Publications	60.60	
Waverly Tire Co	Tire Repair	55.00	
Waverly Utilities	Phone/Internet Service	54.80	
Windstream Corp	Trunking Expense	207.46	
Wix Water Works	Water Cooler Rental	8.00	
Woodman Controls Co	Monthly Maintenance	612.06	
Ziegler Inc	Parts	8,133.33	8
	Total	114,552.12	
Assessor			
Amazon Capital Services	Office Supplies	273.36	
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc	Postage	78.27	
	Total	351.63	
CBS			
Bremer Co Maintenance Dept	Maintenance/Ice Melt	806.98	
Gordon Flesch Co Inc	Copier Lease	104.67	
ICareManager, LLC	Documentation Software	875.00	
Miller Hardware	Maintenance Supplies	80.56	
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc	Postage	11.73	
Spahn & Rose Lumber Co	Supplies	52.58	
The Shredder	Document Shredding	48.00	
Waverly Industrial Rehab	Occ. Health Services	200.00	
	Total	2,179.52	
	Grand Total	117,083.27	