

MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON DECEMBER 22, 2020.

With limited public access to the courthouse due to COVID-19, this meeting was held telephonically with the public able to participate on a limited basis. This complies with Iowa Code section 21.8 that outlines the guidelines to hold an electronic meeting when there are valid concerns that an in-person meeting is “impossible or impractical”.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Tom Heidenwirth with members Greg Barnett and Rusty Eddy present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read. All ayes. Motion carried.

No public comment received.

Director of Public Health Jennifer Becker reported 36 new cases of COVID-19 with 29 recovered, 2 hospitalized and a 9.1% positivity rate. Butler County Public Health has not been notified of any new deaths, however the state website reports 16 deaths. Two hundred doses of Moderna vaccine should arrive today. Health care providers will be the first to be vaccinated.

Greg Lievens recommended to Board of Supervisors that they appoint Dave Kuehner to position of County Attorney noting his experience. Kuehner will likely not appoint an Assistant County Attorney and will request a wage increase if he does not. Following discussion, it was moved by Barnett, second by Eddy to appoint Dave Kuehner to fill the vacancy of County Attorney effective January 1, 2021. All ayes. Motion carried.

In accordance with Iowa Code Chapter 21.5, it was moved by Barnett, second by Eddy to move to closed session for the performance appraisal of Network Administrator Sara Trepp. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Eddy, second by Barnett to return to open session. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Eddy, second by Barnett to adjourn the meeting at 9:53 A.M. to Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. Motion carried.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa on December 22, 2020.