

REGULAR SESSION

DECEMBER 6, 2021

The Union County Board of Supervisors met in Regular Session on Monday December 6, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 9:00AM with the following members present: Ron Riley, Dennis Brown and Rick Friday.

AGENDA: Motion by Friday and seconded by Brown to approve the agenda. All voting aye, motion carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Brown and seconded by Friday to approve the minutes from November 29, 2021 meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

OPEN FORUM: Ethan McGuire, local fire arms dealer, feels it's in Union County's best interest to become a second amendment sanctuary county. Rusty Stephens expressed being in favor of the 2nd Amendment Sanctuary Resolution to help the Sheriff's Office. Dillon Daughenbaugh, also spoke in favor of the 2nd Amendment Sanctuary Resolution.

UNION COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH: Zach Woods Union County Public Health gave an update on COVID in Union County.

RESOLUTION #12 FYR 21-22 SECOND AMENDMENT SANCTUARY: Motion by Friday and seconded by Brown to approve Resolution # FYR 21-22 Second Amendment Sanctuary County as presented by Union County Sheriff, Mark Shepherd as follows: Now on this 6th day of December, 2021 the matter of a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary County comes before the Union County Board of Supervisors. **WHEREAS**, the right of the people to keep and bear arms is guaranteed as an individual right under the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution, "A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security, of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed." And **WHEREAS**, the right of the people to keep and bear arms for the defense of life, liberty, and property is regarded as an inalienable right by the people of Union County, Iowa; and **WHEREAS**, the people of Union County, Iowa derive economic benefit from all safe forms of firearms recreation, hunting and shooting conducted within Union County using all types of firearms allowable under the United States Constitution and the laws of the State of Iowa; and **WHEREAS**, the Union County Board of Supervisors was elected to represent the citizens of Union County and have sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Iowa; and **WHEREAS**, Iowa State Senators and State Representatives have also sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and Constitution of the State of Iowa; and **WHEREAS**, legislation is currently being considered and expected to be proposed by both the Iowa State Legislature and Federal Legislature that potentially seeks to infringe on the constitutionally protected right of citizens to keep and bear arms; and **WHEREAS**, it is desirable to declare that Union County is a Second Amendment Sanctuary County, as Union County opposes the enactment of any legislation that would infringe upon the constitutional right of the people of Union County to keep and bear arms. **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Union County Board of Supervisors hereby declares Union County to be a Second Amendment Sanctuary County, and hereby states its opposition to the enactment of any legislation that would infringe upon the constitutional right of the people of Union County to keep and bear arms. Roll call vote: Friday aye, Brown aye, Riley aye, motion carried.

AFTON WALKING TRAIL: Mary Hill presented and discussed the proposed extension of the Afton Walking Trail and the need of going through some property owned by Union County.

SECONDARY ROADS: Union County Roads Superintendent, Al Hysell, presented and discussed the weekly maintenance activity report. **Engineer Tech Position:** Motion by Brown and seconded by Friday to approve the position and hiring an Engineer Tech. All voting aye, motion carried.

Noxious Weed Commissioner Report: Motion by Friday and seconded by Brown to approve the Annual Noxious Weed Commissioner Report. All voting aye, motion carried.

NEW HOPE TRUSTEE: Motion by Brown and seconded by Friday accept Kari Chamberlain's resignation with regret from the New Hope Township Trustee position. All voting aye, motion carried. Motion by Friday and seconded by Brown to approve the appointment of Ray McNaught as a New Hope Trustee. All voting aye, motion carried.

RECESS: 12:00PM
RECONVENE: 1:00PM

Brown absent

ARPA REQUESTS REVIEW: Board went through ARPA funding requests from the following: Union County Public Health/Greater Regional Health; Creston Arts; CARE of Afton; Union County Conservation; Union County Courthouse; Windstream; Union County Fair Association; SICOG; Gibson Memorial Library; The Learning Center of Southwest Iowa; UCDA/Broadband Network; EMA and Afton Volunteer Fire Dept.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:35PM

BY: _____
RON RILEY, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____
SANDY HYSELL, AUDITOR