

Ida Grove, Iowa
March 17, 2020

The Board of Supervisors convened in a special adjourned session, members present Chair Creston Schubert, Raymond Drey, and Rhett Leonard

Those present were Horn Memorial Hospital Administrator Glen Winekauf; Rebecca Burns, Ida County Public Health Administrator; Ida Grove City Mayor Devlyn Whiteing; Battle Creek City Mayor Lloyd E. Holmes; Holstein City Mayor Kathy Breyfogle; Holstein City Administrator Theresa Pudenz; Gary Chase, City of Arthur Councilman; Galva City Mayor Stan Nading; Todd Riessen, Morningside Care Center Administrator; Josh Lamb & Kent Lundquist, Cherokee Regional Medical Center; Jeff Williams, Ida County Engineer; Sheriff Wade Harriman; Traci Riessen, Ida County Treasurer; Ed Sohm, Emergency Management and Deb Loger, Ida County Courier.

Ed Sohm, Emergency Management shared information he had received regarding the Coronavirus-Covid-19 and recommended that we follow the guidance from the Governor's Office and the Iowa Department of Public Health and the CDC's recommendations in doing all we can to reduce the spread of the virus. He has been in contact with our local fire departments, first responders and ambulance services to emphasize the importance of utilizing the IDPH recommendations. Rebecca Burns reported that there are limited test kits at this time, but hopeful they will receive more in the future. Others present gave updates as to how they are dealing with the virus and the precautions they have administered.

A motion by Leonard and seconded by Drey to amend the agenda to take action with regards to closing public access to the courthouse, approving Resolution 20-07-Local Disaster Declaration and amending the Personnel Policy with regards to sick leave.

Leonard moved to approve and authorize the Chair to sign Resolution 20-07-Local Disaster Declaration. Drey seconded the motion and it carried, all voting Aye. Details of Resolution 20-07 are on file and maybe reviewed in the Auditors office and on the idacounty.org website.

Drey moved to close the courthouse and other county facilities to the public and offer services by appointment only effective March 18, 2020. Leonard seconded the motion and it carried, all voting Aye.

A motion by Leonard to amend the personnel policy with regards to sick leave-3.3, allowing employees without adequate sick leave balance to utilize sick leave and accumulate a negative balance if the employee becomes ill or contracts the Covid-19 until the Board of Supervisors approves the removal of this amendment.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned to meet again at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 24, 2020 or on call of the Chair.

/s/ Lorna Steenbock
Auditor

/s/ Creston Schubert
Chair