

May 16, 2022

Twentieth Day

The Worth County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment with Mark Smeby, Enos Loberg and A.J. Stone, present. All members voting “AYE” unless noted.

Meeting called to order by Smeby, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion Loberg/Second Stone to approve today’s agenda and minutes from May 9, 2022 meeting. Motion carried.

Chairperson Smeby recessed the regular session at 8:31 A.M.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to open Public Hearing to Declare Emergency Medical Services to be an Essential Service in Worth County at 8:31 A.M. Motion carried. There was no public comment.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to close the public hearing at 8:33 A.M. Motion carried.

Chairperson Smeby reconvened the regular session.

The Board reviewed the Second Reading of Resolution #2022.05.16.01 A Resolution to Declare Emergency Medical Services to be an Essential Service in Worth County, Iowa as Authorized by Iowa Code Section 422D.1.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022.05.16.01**

**A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) TO BE AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE IN WORTH COUNTY, IOWA AS AUTHORIZED BY IOWA CODE SECTION 422D.1**

**WHEREAS**, the Worth County Board of Supervisors has the authority under Iowa Code 331.301(1) to “...exercise any power and perform any function it deems appropriate to protect and preserve the rights, privileges, and property of the county or of its residents, and to preserve and improve the peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of its residents”; and

**WHEREAS**, Worth County supports EMS to its residents and seeks to provide Emergency Medical Services to all its citizens and visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, ensuring efficient and effective EMS coverage is essential for maintaining the health and welfare of its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Worth County Board of Supervisors recognizes the importance of maintaining and advancing the level of care, capability, and coverage of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in Worth County; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 9, 2021, Iowa Senate File 615 was signed into law by Governor Reynolds, amending Iowa Code Section 422D.1, giving Iowa Counties the ability to declare EMS an essential service for their respective county, thereby making it possible for counties to propose additional funding sources for EMS to the county’s voters at an election.

**WHEREAS**, Worth County Board of Supervisors, on February 28, 2022, directed that notice of the first meeting to consider this resolution be made and any other actions be taken as necessary to proceed with the process under Iowa Code Section 422D.1 to declare EMS to be an essential county service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Worth County Board of Supervisors, that: Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is hereby declared an essential service in and for Worth County, Iowa, and the Worth County Board of Supervisors will exercise the necessary power and functions appropriate to preserve the health, safety, and welfare of Worth County residents and provide for an effective and efficient Worth County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) System that allows for quality care for the persons living, working or traveling in Worth County, Iowa. Exercising said necessary power and function includes, but is not limited to, the establishment of a Worth County emergency medical services advisory council and the proposition of a local option income surtax and/or ad valorem property tax to fund EMS to be voted upon by Worth County voters.

**NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that adoption of this resolution will allow 1) For an election to be offered for voter approval of an ad valorem property tax not to exceed seventy-five cents per one thousand dollars of assessed value for EMS and 2) The creation of a county emergency medical services system advisory council to assist in researching / assessing the service needs of the county and guide implementation of the same under Iowa Code Section 422D.1.

**NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, if a proposition to fund EMS through either a local option surtax or ad valorem property tax, or some combination thereof, fails to receive a favorable vote by at least sixty percent of those voting on the question, this resolution shall be deemed null and void.

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Date: May 9  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Date: May 16  
3<sup>rd</sup> Reading and Approval Date:

Upon Roll Call, the vote thereon was as follows:

AYES:  
NAYS: N/A  
ABSTAIN: N/A

HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Worth County, Iowa, on this 16th day of May 2022.

Mark Smeby  
Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest: Jacki A. Backhaus, County Auditor

A date and time for a Third public hearing to consider a Resolution to Declare Emergency Medical Services to be an Essential Service in Worth County, Iowa was set on May 23 at 8:30 A.M.

Motion Loberg/Second Stone to approve a bid for DD #72 to clean out ½ mile of open ditch in Fertile Township, Section 28 Northeast Quarter starting at Dogwood Ave going West 2,600 ft. for \$2.50/running ft. (dug & leveled). There is no pipe work on the bid. The total estimate is \$6,500 as submitted by Jerald Rognes, Rognes Bros. Exc. Inc. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve claims in the amount of \$98,605.03, as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Agri Sales & Bldg Supply Inc	Parts-Eng	85.00
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Agvantage Fs Inc	Fuel-Eng	180.74
Aramark	Service-Gsr	283.08
Austin Office Products	Supplies-Shf	44.97
Berge Oil Company	Fuel-Eng	20,518.86
Bmc Aggregates Llc	Rock-Eng	14,389.88
Centurylink	Service-Eng	65.35
City Of Fertile	Service-Eng	78.97
City Of Manly	Service-Eng	52.00
Culligan Of Mason City	Service-Gsr	98.30
Dickinson, Mackaman, Tyler & Hagen, P.C.	Service-Sup	552.00
Dick's Place Body & Tow	Service-Shf	550.00
Enos Loberg	Mileage-Sup	252.72
Falkstone Llc	Rock-Eng	25,895.00
Fallgatter's Market Inc	Supplies-Shf	197.64
Fleetpride	Parts-Eng	5,757.46
Grafton Welding	Service-Con	137.00
Heartland Business Systems, Llc	Service-Dap	14,315.09
Ip Pathways	Service-Dap	3,008.02
Itsavvy Llc	Supplies-Dap	3,700.00
J & J Machining Welding & Fabricating	Service-Eng	80.32
Jay Heims	Reimb-Asr	9.00
Jessica Reyerson	Reimb-Phd	50.00
Kelly Hardware	Supplies-Con	357.91
Lawson Products Inc	Supplies-Eng	736.14
Lexipol, Llc	Service-Shf	2,092.00
Marco Technologies Llc	Service-Dap & Asr	504.15
Nassco Inc.	Supplies-Gsr	226.97
Shred Right	Service-Phd	51.84
Singelstad's Hardware	Supplies-Eng	21.48
State Hygienic Laboratory	Service-San	288.00
Teresa Olson	Reimb-Rec	234.00
The Rustic Thread	Supplies-Phd	234.00
Thrifty White Pharmacy	Supplies-Shf	525.44
Waste Management Of Iowa Inc	Service-Sdp	2,650.00
Windstream	Service-Eng	14.39
Worth Lumber Co	Supplies-Con	367.31
	Grand Total	98,605.03

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve the clerk of court's monthly report. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve Salary Change for Chad Wurtzel at \$61,235.20/year as submitted by the sheriff. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve fireworks permits submitted by 4G's Pyrotechnics for weddings at Country View Acres, 628 430<sup>th</sup> ST, Joice on June 24 & July 23. Motion carried.

Chairperson Smeby recessed the regular session at 8:52 A.M.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to open the First Public Hearing to consider An Ordinance Amending the Worth County Zoning Ordinance at 9:30 A.M. Motion carried. Public comment was heard.

Motion Loberg/Second Stone to close the public hearing at 9:37 A.M. Motion carried.

Chairperson Smeby reconvened the regular session.

A date and time for a Second public hearing to consider An Ordinance Amending the Worth County Zoning Ordinance on May 23 at 9:00 A.M.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to adjourn at 9:37 A.M. Motion carried.

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Jacki A. Backhaus  
Auditor

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Mark Smeby  
Chairperson