

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PROCEEDINGS
June 17, 2024

At 8:30 A.M., Chair Sandquist called the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order.

Board members present were: Dee Sandquist, Chairman; Lee Dimmitt, Vice-Chairman; Susie Drish, Supervisor.

Public comments: None.

It was moved by Dimmitt, seconded by Drish that the minutes for the June 10th & 11th, 2024 meetings be acknowledged. All "Aye". Motion carried.

Supervisors met with the County Engineer.

Supervisors heard an update on the County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The Board met with the Interim Ambulance Director.

Resolution

It was moved by Dimmitt, seconded by Sandquist that the board of Supervisors of Jefferson County approve the hiring of Ashley Kotarsky as PRN Paramedic pending pre-employee paperwork effective June 17th, 2024, at the hourly rate of \$27.00 per hour. Motion carried.

AYES:
Dee Sandquist
Susie Drish
Lee Dimmitt

NAYS:
None

It was moved by Sandquist, seconded by Dimmitt to pass the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION DECLARING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TO
BE AN ESSENTIAL COUNTY SERVICE**

WHEREAS Iowa law empowers a County Board of Supervisors with the authority, as established in the home rule provision of 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, Chapter 422D of the Iowa Code authorizes and empowers a County Board of Supervisors to declare Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to be an essential county service if the supervisors, in their judgment, deem it appropriate to do so; and

WHEREAS the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors recognizes that the effective provision of EMS services are critical to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens and guests of Jefferson County, and finds that the County’s designation of EMS as an essential service would aid in the provision of such services.

WHEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors that, consistent with Iowa Code chapter 422D generally and section 422D.1 specifically, Emergency Medical Services are hereby deemed and declared an essential service in and for Jefferson County, Iowa.

Should the Board of Supervisors determine that a levy for Emergency Medical Services is necessary and prudent in the future, this resolution authorizes the specific question be put to the voters of Jefferson County as set forth in Chapter 422D.

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| Ayes | Nays |
| Dee Sandquist | None |
| Susie Drish | |
| Lee Dimmitt | |

Passed and approved this 17th day of June, 2024.

ATTEST:
Scott Reneker
Jefferson County Auditor

Drish reported on her Safety Committee meeting. Dimmitt reported on his RUSS meeting. Sandquist reported on her Ambulance Director interviews and the ISAC webinar she attended. She also reported on her Mental Health and SIACC meetings and the Pathfinders Director’s performance evaluation.

It was moved Drish, seconded by Dimmitt to adjourn. All “Aye”. Motion carried.

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| ATTEST: | |
| Scott D. Reneker | Dee Sandquist, Chairman |
| County Auditor | Board of Supervisors |