

## HANCOCK COUNTY BOS 1.27.25

January 27, 2025  
Garner, Iowa

The Hancock County, Iowa, Board of Supervisors met in adjourned session on the above captioned date pursuant to adjournment with Supervisors Florence (Sis) Greiman, Osmund (Bud) Jermeland and Gary Rayhons present. Absent: none.

The minutes of January 20, 2025 meeting were read and approved. On motion by Supervisor Rayhons, seconded by Supervisor Jermeland and carried unanimously, the Board gave approval to the following Resolutions:

### RESOLUTION No. 2025-005 AWARDING CONTRACT FOR PROJECTS

**BROS-C041(143)-5F-41**  
**BROS-C041(144)-8J-41**  
**BROS-C041(145)-8J-41**

**WHEREAS**, the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as "the Board", believes the BROS-C041(143)-5F-41, BROS-C041(144)-8J-41, and BROS-C041(145)-8J-41, hereafter referred to as "the project" is in the best interest of Hancock County, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as BROS-C041(143)-5F-41, BROS-C041(144)-8J-41, and BROS-C041(145)-8J-41 with each consisting of a New Culvert Replacement – Single box; and **WHEREAS**, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and

**WHEREAS**, The Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Hancock County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

**IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED** by Board to accept the bid from Peterson Contractors Inc. in the amount of \$878,326.96 and awards the associated contract(s) to the same;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of The Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of

its approval as provided by law; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Iowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, Jeremy Purvis, P.E., the Engineer for Hancock County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

### RESOLUTION No. 2025-006 RESOLUTION TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE TO IOWA COMMUNITY TRUST BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**WHEREAS** the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Iowa, has determined that providing health care and related benefits to employees is in the best interests of both employees and the taxpayers of Hancock County; and **WHEREAS** this objective is best accomplished by being part of a group of other public entities to increase the "pool" of covered lives, thereby increasing the competitive purchasing power of the group and diminishing year-over-year volatility; and

**WHEREAS** Hancock County has been a member of Iowa Community Trust (ICT) Governmental Health and Related Benefits Program since July 1, 2015; and **WHEREAS** the former Hancock County ICT Board of Director member has retired;

**THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Hancock County Board of Supervisors that Hancock County shall appoint Osmund Bud Jermeland as the representative to the ICT Board of Directors. On motion by Supervisor Rayhons, seconded by Supervisor Jermeland and carried unanimously, the Board gave approval to the following:

Signed Iowa Community Trust Governmental Health and Related Benefits Program Participating Agency Election Agreement. The remainder of the meeting was to review budget submissions for fiscal year 2025-2026.

No further business to come before the Board, motion made to adjourn at 12:22 p.m. by Supervisor Jermeland and carried. All Supervisors present voting, "Aye," session to adjourn and will meet again on February 3, 2025.

ATTEST:  
*Michelle K. Eisenman, Auditor*  
*Florence Sis Greiman, Chair*

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## GARNER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES 2.5.25

### COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS February 5, 2025

The Garner City Council met at City Hall on February 5, 2025. Mayor Schmidt called the meeting to order at 4:30pm with the following councilors present: Glen Juhl, Marline Lewerke, Damon Quandt, and Don Bell. Also present were City Administrator Kelly White and City Clerk Karen Halder.

A motion by Lewerke to approve the agenda was supported by Juhl. Motion carried 4-0.

Councilor Amber Jenniges joined the meeting at 4:35pm.

The following department leaders presented their Fiscal Year 2026 Budgets to the council for their consideration:

- Water Department Director Scott Ginapp
  - Public Works Director Mark Waddingham
  - City Administrator Kelly White
- A motion by Lewerke to adjourn the meeting at 6:00pm was supported by Quandt. Motion carried 5-0.  
*Timothy Schmidt, Mayor*  
*Karen Halder, City Clerk*

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Hancock County Health System publishes the following annual salaries ending December 31, 2024.

Registered Nurse.....	\$2,388,026
Assistant.....	\$804,166
Administration.....	\$1,794,123
Technician.....	\$1,156,064
Dietary/Housekeeping/Environmental Services.....	\$568,845
Clinical Service.....	\$2,807,232
Clerical.....	\$1,483,967

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Hancock County Conservation Board has adopted the following Rules and Regulations effective January 1, 2025.

Regulation 350.5 Section 4

4.1 All vehicles, including, but not limited to, automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), UTVs, campers, boats, bicycles or any other equipment and the operator shall be licensed as defined by the code of Iowa to be operated on all Conservation Board roadways. Electric powered vehicles, golf carts and snowmobiles are not allowed to be operated on roadways or within the boundaries of any areas under the control of the Board.

4.4 Operation of any authorized motor vehicle shall be restricted to designated roadways and parking areas on all areas under the control of the Board. All authorized vehicles are not allowed to be operated on frozen bodies of water in any areas under control of the Board.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Public Notice

The City Council of Britt Iowa will be appointing a city council person to fill a vacancy, due to a resignation on 1.07.2025 because of a residency requirement, during our Britt City Council meeting on February 18, 2025, at 6:00PM.

That council position was due to end in December 2027, but by rule, will be filled by election next November, so this position will be filled by appointment in the interim. The public can petition to have a special election if you so desire.

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## PROBATE LARRY H. LAMB

**THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT  
FOR HANCOCK COUNTY**  
IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
LARRY H LAMB, Deceased  
CASE NO. ESPR012287

### NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF

### APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Larry H Lamb, Deceased, who died on or about January 22, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on January 30, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Larry H Lamb, deceased, bearing date of April 30, 2022, First Codicil to the Last Will and Testament of Larry Harlan Lamb, dated July 10, 2024, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Kay Hanson was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred. Dated January 30, 2025.

Carrie J Rodriguez,  
ICIS#: AT0012771  
Attorney for Executor  
Garland & Rodriguez Attorneys at  
Law 200 State Street PO Box 134  
Garner, IA 50438  
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## BRITT CITY COUNCIL MINUTES 1.30.25

### SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES IN BRITT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 170 MAIN AVE S BRITT, IA THURSDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 2025, 7:00 P.M.

#### 1) OPENING BUSINESS

a. Call meeting to order.

Minutes: Meeting was called to order by J. Nelson.

b. Roll call.

Minutes: Ashley Weiss-present; Todd Hildman-Present; Angela Nelson-Present

c. Pledge of Allegiance

d. Conflict of Interest (state if applicable)

e. Approval of Agenda

Minutes: Motion to approve was made by T. Hildman and seconded by A. Weiss. All Ayes. Motion carried.

#### 2) PUBLIC FORUM

This is a time set aside for comments from the public on topics of City business other than those listed on this agenda. Please understand that the Council will not take any action on your comments at this meeting due to requirements of the Open Meetings Law but may do so at a future meeting. The Mayor and City Council welcome comments from the public; however, at no time is it appropriate to use profane, obscene, or slanderous language. The Mayor may limit each speaker to five minutes.

#### 3) BUDGET WORKSHOP

a. Outside budget request submission approval

Britt Chamber-\$750

Britt Draft Horse-\$4,500

Britt Hobo Days-\$20,000

Hancock County Fair Board-\$2,500

Britt Evergreen Cemetery-\$7,700

Minutes: Motion was made by A. Weiss and seconded by A. Nelson to approve the outside budget requests that were submitted above. All Ayes. Motion carried.

#### 4) Adjourn

Minutes: Motion to adjourn was made by A. Weiss and seconded by T. Hildman. All Ayes. Motion carried.

*Jim Nelson, Mayor*  
*Joe McNulty, City Administrator*

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## BRITT CITY COUNCIL MINUTES 2.4.25

### REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES IN BRITT MUNICIPAL ROOM 170 MAIN AVE S BRITT, IA 50423 ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH, 2025, 6:00 P.M.

#### 1) OPENING BUSINESS

a. Call meeting to order.

Minutes: Mayor Jim Nelson called the meeting to order.

b. Roll call.

Minutes: Weiss-here; Hildman-here; Nelson-here

c. Pledge of Allegiance

d. Conflict of Interest (state if applicable)

e. Approval of Agenda

Minutes: Motion to approve agenda was approved by T. Hildman and seconded by A. Nelson. All Ayes. Motion carried.

#### 2) CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under the Consent Agenda will be enacted by one motion with a roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the time Council votes on the motion. Consent Agenda items may include any non-controversial subjects.

a. Approve Minutes of the 01.07.2025, 01.21.2025, and 01.30.2025 Council Meetings

b. Approve the Claims Report in the amount of \$167,293.21.

Minutes: Motion was made to approve the past meeting minutes

and the claims report totaling \$167,293.21 by A. Weiss with the correction of Melinda Hiscocks on the 01.21.2025 minutes (done immediately) and seconded by T. Hildman. All Ayes. A. Weiss Yes. T. Hildman Yes. A. Nelson Yes. Motion carried.

#### 3) PUBLIC FORUM

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#### 4) DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

a. Library Report – Linda Friedow

b. Public Works – Vance Hagen Pool Report – Beth Gretillat (read by J. McNulty)

c. Police Report – Jordan Williams

d. Fire Department – Jon Swenson

e. Zoning - Mike Boomgarden

f. Parks and Recreation-Jen Weiland was not present, so Angela Nelson informed us of recent events.

g. Golf Course-Sam Patterson was

not present, so Ashley Weiss spoke about the Golf Course board initiatives.

#### 5) Clerk's Reports

a. Swear in the newly elected Council Member Layne Mosher.

Minutes: Layne Mosher was sworn in.

#### 6) Mayor's Report

a. Approve to Post to Noon on February 28th, 2025, the sale of the 2014 Police Ford Explorer Interceptor, through a sealed bid process, to the highest bidder with a minimum bid of \$1000.

Minutes: The motion was made by A. Weiss and seconded by A. Nelson. All Ayes. Motion carried.

b. Approve the Liquor License for the Britt Bar and Grill.

Minutes: Motion was made by A. Weiss and seconded by L. Mosher. All Ayes. Motion carried.

c. Approve to post and publish the open City Council position vacated by J. Moore on 01.07.2025, due to the residency requirement not being adhered to.

Minutes: Motion was made by L. Mosher and seconded by A. Nelson. All Ayes. Motion carried.

d. Recommendation to vacate the City of Britt property to the South Side of Parcel Number 22072000003 with the legal description of LATTIMORE'S SW BLK 20.

Minutes: Motion was made by A.

Weiss and seconded by T. Hildman. All Ayes. Motion carried.

e. Approve the purchase of the City of Britt property to the South Side of Parcel Number 22072000003 with the legal description of LATTIMORE'S SW BLK 20 for \$300, by Trulson Auto Parts and Service.

Minutes: Motion was made by A. Nelson and seconded by T. Hildman. All Ayes. Motion carried.

f. Recommendation to change the administrator on the Ministerial Police Fund at FSB account ending in 870 from Tyler Harmon to Jordan Williams.

Minutes: Motion made by A. Weiss and seconded by L. Mosher. All Ayes. Motion carried.

g. Approve the replacement of the three drinking fountains to ALL ADA or only replace one or two this year and the third next year and get the two bids resubmitted. The budget for this item is \$12,000.

Minutes: Motion was made by A. Weiss and seconded by A. Nelson to replace the one at the Library in this budget year and order the second one with replacement occurring in the 2026 budget year. All Ayes. Motion carried.

h. Discussion about donating \$1000 to the Britt Country Club, INC., dba as the Britt Golf Course to cover unexpected operating expenses to keep their checking account positive.

Minutes: Motion was made by L. Mosher and seconded by A. Nelson. All Ayes. Motion carried.

i. Discuss raising the relocation expense for the police department from \$750 to \$1000.

Minutes: Motion was made by L. Mosher and seconded by A. Weiss. All Ayes. Motion carried.

j. Approve Absolute Waste Community cleanup day on May 10th, 2025.

Minutes: Motion was made by A. Weiss and seconded by L. Mosher. All Ayes. Motion carried.

k. Police Chief applications closed with five applications. Interviews will be set up with Jim, Joe, Jordan, Ashley, and Todd this week.

Minutes: Interviews occurring on Thursday the 6th of February 2025 from 6 to 7:30 for those available.

l. Bids are submitted and have been reviewed by Bolton and Menk for the Church demolition and the Sewer Pipe liner project. Discussion and bid award with Eric from Bolton and Menk for both projects need to be approved.

Minutes: Motion was made by A. Weiss and seconded by A. Nelson to award the bid for the Church demo at 106 3rd Street SE to Wynn Company of Warsaw IL for the amount of \$85,000 and the motion was made by A. Weiss and seconded by T. Hildman to award the Sanitary Sewer CIPP Lining bid

to Municipal Pipe and Tool for the amount of \$406,714.00.

m. Recognition of the West Hancock High School students.

Minutes: None present.

n. Recommendation to go to closed session at 7:04PM for the following, (pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5 (1)(c) to discuss a matter of litigation with council).

Possible litigation and additionally a matter of the sale of City property.

Minutes: No decisions were made.

o. Recommendation to go to open session made by T. Hildman and seconded by L. Mosher at 7:53PM.

p. Decision from the discussion in the closed session.

Minutes: No decision was made during the closed session.

Note: An apology from KIOW was received and read for several news stories that did not meet Coloff Media management and ownership expectations. The apology will be posted at City Hall and on the City's website and Facebook page by February 6th, 2025 at the close of business.

7) ADJOURN

Minutes: Motion to adjourn was made by T. Hildman and seconded by A. Weiss. All Ayes. Motion carried.

*Joe McNulty,*  
*City of Britt Administrator*

*Jim Nelson,*  
*Mayor for the City of Britt*

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