

Board Minutes Monday March 30, 2020

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:30am March 30, 2020 with all members present; Ashbacher, Logsdon, Kuhn, and Thompson in person; Beard electronically.

Lee Bjerke, County Engineer, met with the Board to discuss road matters.

Moved by Ashbacher and seconded by Kuhn to adopt resolutions 20-48 and 20-49, stop sign resolution for Bloomfield and Springfield Townships. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Paul Berland, NEIA RC&D, met with the Board to discuss the Upper Iowa River Watershed Flood Reduction program. He informed the Board of the need for additional Engineering services and that an RFQ would be sent out. He also asked for approval of the Site Specific Environmental Reviews for several projects. Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Ashbacher to approve the site environmental reviews. Motion carried unanimously.

Several mayors and leaders of community groups gave reports on their responses to the COVID19 emergency. Reporting were Mike Klimesh, Spillville; Kristy Wiltgen, NEIA3A; Lora Friest, mutual aid organization; Lorraine Borowski, Decorah. Friest also gave an update on the IEDA CDBG grant application.

Larry Phillips and John Hjelle gave an update on the Burr Oak Sewer project. They discuss issues with the control panel and water flow. Kuhn will meet with them at the site, and they will return for further discussion at a future Board meeting.

Krista Vanden Brink, Public Health Director, and Sean Snyder, Emergency Management Coordinator, met with the Board to give COVID19 related updates.

Andy Van Der Maaten, County Attorney, met with the Board to discuss county issues and present the draft of resolution 20-50. Moved by Ashbacher and seconded by Thompson to adopt resolution 20-50, which replaces resolution 20-44 with reconciliations required under the Federal Families First Coronavirus Response Act. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Ashbacher to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Ashbacher to open the public hearing on the proposed FY21 County Budget. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Ben Steines, County Auditor, gave an overview of tax rates and property valuations. Board members made additional comments. Questions

from public in attendance were answered and comments were received. Moved by Thompson and seconded by Ashbacher to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Moved by Thompson and seconded by Kuhn to adopt resolution 20-51, adopting the FY21 budget as published, and also approving the County Engineer's DOT budget and 5-year plan. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Thompson to adopt resolution 20-52, approving the raises for elected officials as recommended by the Compensation Board with a reduction in the Board of Supervisors raise to 2%. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Ashbacher to authorize Logsdon to sign the IEDA CDBG grant application that is being finalized by Lora Friest. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Kuhn to adjourn to 9:30am Monday, April 2, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

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Benjamin D Steines
County Auditor

John Logsdon, Chairman
Board of Supervisors