

Floyd County Board of Supervisors Meeting
April 8, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

The Floyd County Board of Supervisors met in the Board Room of the Floyd County Courthouse with the following in attendance: Supv Mark Kuhn, Supv Dennis Keifer, and Supv Jim Jorgensen.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Public comment: none.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to approve the April 1, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve the claims presented: County #2141-2213, Engineer/Secondary Roads #10554-10580, and Drains #15409. Motion carried 3-0.

Ahlers	Legal	3052.16	4
TEK/AMR	Service	17291.67	1
G Arjes	Reimb	60.42	1
Arnold Supply	Parts	1164.31	1
APA	Meeting	60.00	1
A Bellinger	Reimb	149.91	1
Black Hills	Util	175.45	1
Bruening	Rock	480.17	1
Builders	Mat'l	4675.50	1
J Butterfield	Reimb	205.20	1
YesWay	Fuel	2077.52	1
Cartersville	Fuel	241.43	1
Centrl IA	Supplies	1796.00	1
Central	Tuition	2570.00	1
CenturyLink	Phone	743.69	5
CC Press	Notice	1062.00	2
Charles City	Services	1824.38	1
Floyd	Util	45.00	1
Rockford	Util	216.37	1
B Hinz	Reimb	125.97	1
H Ducker	Reimb	25.08	1
Fareway	Food	3659.70	1
FC Aud	Misc	1531.91	1
Fullerton Funeral	Services	2072.00	1
Fun In Son	Tuition	1887.00	1
S Funte	Reimb	84.93	1
GATR Truck	Parts	836.86	1
Growing Tree	Tuition	1800.00	1
Housby	Parts	2537.03	1
IC Preschool	Tuition	3806.00	1
IA DOT	Fuel/parts	939.30	1
ISACA	Dues	250.00	1
J Sandblast	Serv	80.00	1
Jendro	Disposal	3278.46	4
Johnston Autostores	Parts	72.76	1
Kanrad Tech	Software	1500.00	1
Karl Chev	Vehicle	8740.56	1
Kimley-Horn & Assoc	Grant	15825.77	1
L Kristiansen	Reimb	312.89	1
Kwik Star	Supplies	474.35	2
L&J Ind	Serv	53.40	1
Lamb Properties	Rent	200.00	1
Learning Conn	Fees	1759.43	1
Leroy's	Rprs	317.42	1
Lessin	Parts	379.15	1
J Lovik	Reimb	149.91	1
LSI	Support	11860.79	1
Mediacom	Serv Fee	216.52	1
Menards	Supplies	762.56	1
Mid Am	Serv	95.58	1
Mid Am	Util	158.91	2
Mikes C&O	Tires	519.15	1
NEICAC	Fees	2402.73	1

NH Preschool	Tuition	2100.00	1
Next Gen	Update	2122.00	1
NS-Rkfd Reg	Notice	1386.44	3
N Iowa	Broadcast	600.00	1
NICAO	Screening	1981.68	1
Omnitel	Phone	1466.86	3
Petroblend	Parts	455.72	1
RRMR	Tuition	1807.00	1
Schueth Ace	Hwd	440.88	4
Sec State	Notary	30.00	1
St John	Tuition	2300.00	1
St Joseph	Tuition	1750.00	1
Superior	Supplies	55.30	2
D Swartzrock	Reimb	51.30	1
T-Mobile	Phone	204.47	1
T-Mobile	Service	270.65	1
The Shredder	Service	125.00	2
Titus Lock	Service	88.00	1
Dept Revenue	Tax	102.50	1
Truck Co	Equip	418.93	1
WIN	Services	750.00	1
L Wulff	Reimb	185.25	1
Ziegler	Parts	706.79	1
Zips	Parts	404.20	1
Bolton-Menk	DD3 Eng Serv	7231.00	1

Updates on various boards/commissions/activities: Jorgensen reported following up on a Conservation meeting he was unable to attend. Keifer attended a Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) meeting regarding Heyer's Creek in Washington School Watershed, a Charles City Zoning meeting regarding rezoning city property for affordable housing needs, and the Rockford site for the communications tower project. Kuhn participated in a discussion regarding the revised purchase offer for the Rockford tower site project.

Updates on Law Enforcement Center/Courthouse (LEC) Project: The HVAC unit in the board room was adjusted to deter noise but it is still noisy so consideration will be given to rerun duct work on the west wall area.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve Res #06-24* Appropriation Changes: the Board has reviewed departmental budgets for FY24 budget and appropriation limits for several departments are in need of adjustment, and; be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors to increase appropriations from 90% to 100% for the following departments for FY24: Board of Supervisors, Treasurer, Sheriff, Recorder, Courthouse, Engineer, Conservation, Weed Commissioner, Medical Examiner, County Library, Sanitary Disposal, Safety/Risk Management, and Communications/Dispatch. Roll call vote: Ayes-Keifer, Jorgensen, Kuhn; motion carried 3-0.

Jacob Page, County Engineer, and Nathan Stauffer, representing Steve Merfeld who farms Estes Family Trust property, presented tile issues in Drainage District #1. Stauffer identified water areas, has concerns of tile size being adequate, and if the repairs will fix the issue. Kuhn suggested Secondary Roads start the repairs as soon as possible, see if repairs fix the problem, and consider changes with other landowners at another time if need be. Jorgensen/Keifer moved to approve the repairs recommended by the engineer's office and direct the work on at least eight tiled areas by Secondary Roads. Motion carried 3-0.

Page and Stauffer presented information on 11 failing and missing upright intakes on terraces in Washington School Watershed (WSW) Priority Area #2. Stauffer suggested installing French drain intakes; Page recommends replacing intakes with possibly relocating some to minimize damaged rather than installing French drains that have the potential to silt in causing inefficiencies. Keifer suggested Doug Johnson, NRCS representative, be included in WSW work due to other projects he is working on in the watershed. Keifer/Jorgensen moved to direct the engineer to have Secondary Roads repair the intake areas in the Washington School Watershed Priority Area #2. Motion carried 3-0.

County Attorney Todd Prichard and Auditor Carr explained changes to the offer to purchase property from Stephen Schlader including the county paying for the abstract being brought up to date, clarification of payment to Schlader's heirs for the 30-year duration of the lease of tower space and allowing survey work to start prior to the acquisition of the property. Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve the revised Offer to Purchase Agreement between Stephen Schlader and Floyd County for land to locate the communications tower. Motion carried 3-0.

Jason Webster, Emergency Management Coordinator, informed the Board that Motorola's surveyor was onsite last week to do survey work for the communications tower location and could do additional survey work for the 1.5 acres of the Schlader property for \$1,800. Discussion included the dimension of the lot to be surveyed. The county zoning ordinance requires a conditional use application for the tower to be erected on agriculture zoned property and an application for variances if the maximum height exceeds 25 feet, minimum lot width is less than 150 feet, minimum front yard is less than 50 feet, minimum side yard is less than 25 feet, and minimum rear lot is less than 30 feet. Deputy Travis Bartz mentioned plans for the width of the lot being 115 feet wide. Keifer suggested not changing anything with the width plans and concerns of delays of the project; Kuhn mentioned potential objections if the county does not follow its own ordinance. Webster mentioned the variance process would not have any impact with the project moving forward with FAA requirements. Auditor Carr provided a sample GIS drawing of a 150-foot-wide lot that would require a permanent easement for Schlader to access his field and eliminates the need for a variance for a minimum lot width but the variance for the maximum height requirement may be necessary. Consensus was to go with the 150-foot lot width and have Webster obtain a quote from the surveyor.

County Engineer/Secondary Roads Report: Crews have been working on drive permits, work orders, blading roads, brush and ditch cleaning, completing sign inventory, general shop maintenance, and making 66 box culverts. Office staff have been doing design work on Victory Ave bridge and Floyd 3rd Ave, finishing up rock resurfacing documents, working on day labor project documents, and updating GASB 34 report. Page has been working on the FY25 Iowa Department of Transportation budget and 5-year plan for the April 15 meeting.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve paying Ahlers & Cooney invoice for \$470.57 for professional services related to Summit Carbon Iowa Utility Permit Proceedings and using American Rescue Plan Act funds for payment. Motion carried 3-0.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to approve a Mills-Inc invoice for \$821.33 for work related to gas pipe work for the Public Health generator project and to use American Rescue Plan Act funds for payment. Motion carried 2-0 with Keifer abstaining.

The Board noted that Jessy Willadsen has accepted the Environmental Health Specialist/Zoning Administrator/911 Signs Administrator position with a start date of April 22 and an annual salary of \$58,000.

Future agenda items: Board recommendation to the EMS Advisory Council regarding election date.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Carr
Floyd County Auditor

Mark A. Kuhn, Chair
Floyd County Board of Supervisors