

Floyd County Board of Supervisors Meeting
April 3, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

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

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

Public comment: none.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve the March 27 and 29, 2023 minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to approve the claims presented: County #2245-2276 and Secondary Roads #22852-22867. Motion carried 3-0.

Updates on various board/commissions: Supv Keifer visited with Ben Chatfield regarding improving radio communication for dispatch calls. Supv Jorgensen attended the Floyd County Medical Center board meeting in conjunction with Ambulance Commissioners to discuss support for ambulance costs. Supv Kuhn met with Zoning Administrator Jeff Sherman and Deputy Assessor Cris Parker for zoning ordinance and mapping purposes.

Updates on Law Enforcement Center/Courthouse Project: Brian Shindelar, Samuels Group Site Superintendent, provided updates: Dean Snyder is working on doors and door hardware; G&R installed ceilings last week; Paulsen Electric is installing lights and devices in ceiling grids on ground and first floors; the new board room ceiling grid has been installed, the electrician is working on lights, ductwork is being installed, and the floor needs to be leveled. There is an Owner-Architect-Contractor meeting this afternoon. No action will be taken on PCO #143 Boiler and Water Heater Flue Relocation until more investigation can be done.

Brandi Schmidt, Assessor, reviewed the process for new assessment notices property owners should receive this week. All of Iowa is impacted by changes on residential properties due to real estate market activity and ag properties due to 5-year averages of productivity values and pandemic assistance payments added to the formula by the state. Floyd County's 100% values will be increasing on residential properties by about 20%, commercial about 15% and ag about 34%, compared to statewide average increases of 20-25%, 15-20% and 30-40% respectively. Citizens will expect their taxes will increase but inflation factors limit the percentages of actual value subject to taxation, known as rollback; assessors estimate the rollback for calculating taxable value will cause residential rollback to decrease from about 54% to 46.5% and agriculture rollback to decrease from about 91% to 72%. Schmidt provided an example of a 100% assessed valued property increasing 21.6% but the percentage change in taxable value was only 3.47%. Every assessment notice will have a letter describing what changed, why it changed, what the property owner should do if they disagree with the assessment, and to contact the assessor's office with questions. Property owners can visit the assessor's website to verify their property information is accurate and look at comparable properties in the county or visit websites like Zillow.com to compare values; this information could be presented to the assessor's office for consideration of adjusting their property value.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve Res* #14-23 Number and Appointment of Deputies, Assistants and Clerks: Iowa Code 331.903.1, the number of deputies, assistants and clerks for each office shall be determined by the Board and the number and approval of each appointment shall be adopted by a resolution and recorded in the minutes; be it resolved, the county officials shall be allowed the following number of deputies, assistants, and clerks for their respective offices: The County Attorney shall be allowed one full-time Assistant County Attorney and two full-time clerks, the County Treasurer shall be allowed one deputy and three full-time clerks and one part-time clerk, the County Recorder shall be allowed on full-time assistant and one full-time clerk; be it further; be it further resolved that the Board approve the appointments of the following staff members to fill the positions authorized above: County Attorney Staff-Assistant County Attorney - Full-time: Randall Tilton, Clerk Positions-Full-time - Erin Myers, Victim Witness Coordinator/Paralegal and Melissa Pitzenberger, Secretary/Office Manager; County Treasurer Staff-Deputy Treasurer: Jolene Patterson, Clerk Positions - Full-time: Lisa Schwickerath, Lisa Taylor and Sherry Sprung, Clerk Position - Part-time: To be determined at a later date; County Recorder Staff-Assistant Position - Full-time: Kim Usher, Assistant, and Clerk Position - Full-time: Jennifer Hoefl, Clerk (effective 4/10/2023) Roll call vote: Ayes-Keifer, Jorgensen, and Kuhn. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board noted County Recorder Amy Assink's offer to Jennifer Hoefl for the Recorder Clerk position starting at \$20/hour effective April 10 with a \$0.50/hr increase following a 6-month satisfactory review and reworking line items in the FY24 budget to accommodate \$1/hr more in wages than what was budgeted; Hoefl is

resigning her position in the Auditor's office. Jorgensen/Keifer moved to set Jennifer Hoeft, Recorder's Clerk wage at \$20/hour. Motion carried 3-0.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to approve the one bid from Bruening Rock Products for the 2023 Crushed Stone Resurfacing project for 496 miles, 100,000 tons of rock at \$14.7599/ton, totaling \$1,475,990. Motion carried 3-0.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to approve signing the plans for Bridge Replacement Project BROS-CO34(104)--8J-34, on Victory Ave south of 155th Ave. Motion carried 3-0. The project is expected to be let in July.

Page provided an update on Secondary Road activities. Crews have been doing driveway permits, burning brush, blading, brushing, general shop maintenance and building culverts. The yearly sign order has been received and crews will be working on signage. Office staff have been working on GASB-34 inventory reporting, general office work and plans for 3rd Ave project in Floyd, plans for bridge on Victory Ave, day labor projects, and a railroad tank car maintenance project. The 5-year plans will be ready for action at next Monday's meeting.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve the North Iowa Regional Housing Authority's request for Payment in Lieu of Taxes in the amount of \$68.52. Motion carried 3-0.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to fund 2022 values/FY24 payable allocation of percentages for assessment limitations at the same rate as per notice from the Iowa Department of Revenue. Motion carried 3-0.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to set health and dental insurance premiums for employer/employee rates as follows: Single Health at \$936.00/mo.; county pays \$936.00/employee pays \$0

Family Health at \$2,258/mo.; county pays \$1,693.50/employee pays \$564.50

Single Dental Plan 1 at \$33.34/mo.; county pays \$18.00/employee pays \$15.34

Single Dental Plan 2 at \$46.60/mo.; county pays \$18.00/employee pays \$28.60

Family Dental Plan 1 at \$94.00/mo.; county pays \$54.00/employee pays \$40.00

Family Dental Plan 2 at \$127.06/mo.; county pays \$54.00/employee pays \$73.06;

COBRA/509A rates (no wellness option and employee/retiree pays 100%):

Single health – Wellmark only – \$824/mo.

Family health – Wellmark only - \$2,043/mo.

Single health – Wellmark and partial self-funding - \$923/mo.

Family health – Wellmark and partial self-funding - \$2,246/mo.

Single dental Plan 1 - \$34/mo.

Single dental Plan 2 - \$47/mo.

Family dental Plan 1 - \$94/mo.

Family dental Plan 2 - \$128/mo.

Motion carried 3-0.

Future agenda items: inspector for pipelines, NextEra, Rockford property, Veterans memorial landscaping.

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

**This is a summary of the resolution; full text of resolutions may be inspected during normal business hours in the Floyd County Auditor's office and at www.floydcoia.org.*

ATTEST: _____

Gloria A. Carr
Floyd County Auditor

Mark A. Kuhn, Chair
Floyd County Board of Supervisors