

Floyd County Board of Supervisors Meeting
May 8, 2023, 8:30 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 May 1, 2023 minutes as amended. Motion carried 3-0.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to approve the claims presented: County 2520-2597, Secondary Roads #22932-22953 and Drains #15372. Motion carried 3-0.

Updates on various boards/commissions: Supv Keifer attended 911 Commission, Communications Advisory, and Decat Governance Board meetings. Supvs Keifer and Kuhn attended a Department Head meeting.

Updates on Law Enforcement Center/Courthouse Project: Jason McLendon, Samuels Group Project Manager, provided an update including the fire and sprinkler inspections passed; Paulsen Electric has been working on fire alarm devices; Wicks Construction poured sidewalks and stoops on the north side of the building; Floor fillers are onsite today to level the new board room floor; Schindler Elevator is onsite today to finish up final adjustments for the elevator inspection scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday. Supv Keifer commented that the PCO for the flue and boilers is still under review with consideration of alternate options. Auditor Carr reported another leak in the sprinkler system on Friday. Discussion included if the eight inches of rock removed in the north lot was sufficient for black dirt to be filled in and grass seeded if there was about 20 inches of rock added as a base to support equipment prior to demolition process; McLendon will check back on notes and look at specs. Jorgensen/Keifer moved to approve Pay Ap 41R for \$192,451.61 and to pay using American Rescue Plan Act funding. Motion carried 3-0.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve the Notice of Proposed Action to Declare Emergency Medical Services as an Essential Service in Floyd County with the first reading to be held on July 10. Motion carried 3-0.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve the Veterans Memorial Committee's plan for Otto's Oasis landscaping project around the memorial on the front lawn of the courthouse. Motion carried 3-0

Supv Kuhn excused himself from the meeting. Supv Keifer continued the meeting acting as chair.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to direct the Auditor to publish the Notice to the Public--Noxious Weeds Must be Destroyed. Motion carried 2-0

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to approve the Communication Innovators contract for three years for Genetec Advantage Renewal at a cost of \$21,806 for cameras, door access readers and intercoms. Motion carried 2-0.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to authorize Supv Keifer to sign the Iowa Department of Transportation Federal-aid Agreement for a County Highway Bridge Program Project BROS-C034(104)--8J-34. Motion carried 2-0.

The Board and County Engineer Jacob Page discussed Secondary Roads having summer hours with employees working four 10-hour days instead of five 8-hour days. Page reported the majority of the staff voted to go to 10-hour doors. Supvs Jorgensen and Keifer reported that were not sure they were in support of this as it could open a Pandora's Box for other departments. This option is not in their union contract so the transition would require the Board to approve deviations to sections 3.1 and 3.4 of the Floyd County Employee Handbook. Consensus was to hold off changing hours at this time.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve the Door Entrance Card/Fob Access for County and State Courthouse Employees. Motion carried 3-0.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Enhanced Security Services with Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer, replacing FireEye XI with CrowdStrike for cybersecurity and monitoring of the network system at no charge, and authorize Bernie Solomon, IT Director, to sign the agreement. Motion carried 2-0.

At 9:44 a.m. Supv Keifer opened the public hearing regarding disposition of a parcel lying north and east of the centerline of Lots 9 and 10, Block 49, Rockford Company's First Addition to the Town of Rockford. There

were no objections to the disposition of the property by sealed bid. Auditor Carr reported one sealed bid was received. The hearing closed at 9:46 a.m. One sealed bid was received and opened with an offer from Jerome and Karen Schlader for \$1 plus any expenses incurred with the transfer of the property provided they are supplied with a valid deed and abstract for the property. The Board will confer with the County Attorney during a break in the meeting before taking action on the disposition of the property.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to approve a liquor license renewal for Rustic Acres, LLC. Motion carried 2-0.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to set a public hearing for May 22 at 9:30 a.m. for the FY23 County Budget Amendment. Motion carried 2-0.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to appoint Supv Keifer as an alternate to the Floyd County Ambulance Commission. Motion carried 2-0.

The Board noted Katie Sullivan's resignation as Auditor Clerk I and her acceptance of the Public Health/Home Health Care Scheduler/Clerical position starting May 15 at \$21.50 per hour with a 5% pay increase effective July 1, 2023. The Board noted Alexis Gallup hired as Auditor Clerk I starting May 15 at \$20.50 per hour with a pay increase following a 6-month performance review; Sullivan will work split hours between the two offices to assist in training Gallup. The Board also noted the hiring of Ashley Adams-Gansen as a part-time Treasurer's Clerk starting May 15 at \$20 per hour with a pay increase following a 6-month performance review.

The Board noted receipt of the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship Certification of Tax Levy for 2022 valuations payable FY24 for Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Eradication Fund at \$0.0018/\$1,000 of the assessed value of all taxable property in the county, a reduction of \$0.0006 from the previous year.

The Board recessed at 10:30 a.m. The Board reconvened at 11:17 a.m.

The Board of Supervisors, acting as Trustees for Drainage District #3, and Tyler Conley, Bolton & Menk Engineer, discussed information presented by Conley regarding annexation and reclassification of the district and information reviewed by Drainage District Commissioners Jim Howe, Ben Rottinghaus, and Conley on May 4. The Engineer's Report: Annexation DD #3 filed today reflects 40.04 acres from six parcels added to the district. The Engineer's Report: Reclassification DD #3 filed today was reviewed including an overview of the methods used to reclassify property. Property owners will have an opportunity to file written objections prior to hearings or present oral objections during the hearings. Discussion included tree removal maintenance, repairs, bid process, and cost estimates. Jorgensen/Keifer moved to tentatively accept the Drainage District #3 annexation and reclassification reports provided by Bolton & Menk. Motion carried 2-0.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to set the Drainage District #3 Annexation public hearing for June 19 at 2:00 p.m. at the courthouse. Motion carried 2-0.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to set the Drainage District #3 Reclassification public hearing for June 19 at 2:05 p.m. at the courthouse. Motion carried 2-0.

Affidavit filed after three years for evidence of title. Doesn't do away w/easement. Does not address the platted city alley.

The Board revisited the disposition of the Rockford property with County Attorney Todd Prichard. Prichard explained that after much research the ownership of the property is unclear but suggests the county makes the best claim to the property and recommends the sale of the property to Jerome and Karen Schlader by Quit Claim Deed, not a Warranty Deed, and then they can secure an attorney to file an affidavit in three years stating they have received a deed and have color of title. Sold as is, the Railroad's easement does not go away and the disposition does not include the platted city alley which Schlader's will need to address with the city of Rockford.

Jorgensen/Keifer moved to approve Res #19-23* Sale of Real Estate: The Board published timely notice pursuant with respect to holding a public hearing regarding the disposition of real estate for a parcel informally known as that portion of Lots 9 and 10 of Block 49, Rockford Company's First Addition to the Town of Rockford that lies northeast of the centerline of Second Avenue NW, Rockford, Iowa; pursuant to the terms of the notice, sale of the real estate was conducted by sealed bids on May 8 with acceptance of an offer subject to the property being sold in "as is" condition, the Buyer paying no less than the costs incurred with the transfer of the property by Quit Claim Deed and costs for obtaining an Abstract of Title; Jerome and Karen Schlader submitted a bid and have agreed to the terms of the conveyance of said property; be it resolved by the Board, for consideration of \$1.00 plus any additional costs incurred by the county in excess of \$1.00 to complete the real estate transfer, hereby agree to

convey to Jerome H. and Karen A. Schlader, the Buyer, the following real estate legally described as: THAT PART OF LOTS 9 AND 10, BLOCK 49, ROCKFORD COMPANY'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF ROCKFORD, IOWA, LYING NORTH AND EAST OF THE CENTERLINE OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED EASEMENT, BUT SUBJECT TO SUCH EASEMENT: LOT TEN (10), BLOCK FORTY-NINE (49), ROCKFORD COMPANY'S FIRST ADDITION TO ROCKFORD, IOWA AND PART OF LOTS SEVEN (7), EIGHT (8), AND NINE (9), BLOCK FORTY-NINE (49), ROCKFORD COMPANY'S FIRST ADDITION TO ROCKFORD, IOWA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT NINE (9), BLOCK FORTY-NINE (49), ROCKFORD COMPANY'S FIRST ADDITION TO ROCKFORD, IOWA; THENCE SOUTH ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SIX AND SIX TENTHS (146.6) FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT NINE (9); THENCE NORTHWESTERLY TWO HUNDRED SEVEN AND THREE TENTHS (207.3) FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF LOT SEVEN (7), SAID BLOCK FORTY-NINE (49), ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SIX AND SIX TENTHS (146.6) FEET WEST OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT NINE (9), THENCE EAST ONE HUNDRED FORTY SIX AND SIX TENTHS (146.6) FEET ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOT SEVEN (7), EIGHT (8) AND NINE (9) TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; be it further resolved by the Board to direct the Floyd County Attorney to secure an Abstract of Title, prepare a Quit Claim Deed and other necessary documents for the conveyance of said property and set a date and time for the parties to finalize matters pertaining to the closing of said property; be it further resolved by the Board to authorize the Chair of the Board to execute documents and the Auditor to attest accordingly for said property. Roll call vote: Ayes-Jorgensen/Keifer; motion carried 2-0.

Prichard provided an update on this morning's court hearing on the Duane Tesch property nuisance case. Tesch was a no-show at the hearing but did file a response to the court, the assessor's office provided updated pictures, Cathy Lubbert testified on the conditions of the property, the judge order 15 days to abate the nuisance and if not abated, the county is authorized by the court to abate the nuisance and assess costs to Tesch.

Future agenda items: none.

Keifer/Jorgensen moved to adjourn. Motion carried 2-0.

**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