

TIPTON, IOWA

August 06, 2019

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. August 06, 2019 with the following members present: Agne, Bell, Gaul, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Smith. Members of the public were also present.

The Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence from:
Chief Deputy Koranda regarding hiring Charles McVay, Correctional Officer effective July 29, 2019 with a starting wage of \$16.73 per hour.
Cedar County Farm Bureau inviting Board to Annual Meeting.

Manure Management Annual Updates submitted by:
Urmie Site for a site at 240th Street, Tipton.
Pioneer W/F LLC for a site at Cedar Muscatine Road, Durant.
JT Rochester Pork for a site at Monroe Avenue, Tipton.
Jeff Graves for a site at 2243 310th Avenue, Durant.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on 8/02/2019 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #420266 for \$1,671.92-self funded medical claims.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Agne to approve the agenda.
Ayes: All

Chairperson Smith addressed the public for comments. There were none.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Agne to approve the Board Minutes of July 30, 2019.
Ayes: All
Abstain: Kaufmann

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve Payroll Disbursements #178387 - #178533 for the period ending 7/27/2019 and to be paid on 8/2/2019.
Ayes: All

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

The Board discussed nominating Sup. Agne to the Heritage Area Agency for Board of Directors. Sup. Agne reached out to the Heritage Area Agency regarding Conflict of Interest. Heritage said to fill out the application and submit it then a decision will be made.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to nominate Sup. Agne to fill out an application for the Board of Directors for Heritage Area Agency.
Ayes: All
Abstain: Agne

The Board discussed a letter of support for the Lower Cedar WMA Planning Grant. Sup. Bell read the letter of support. Discussion was held.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve a letter of support to the Lower Cedar WMA Planning Grant.
Ayes: All
Abstain: Bell

The Board discussed the County Farm lease. The Board reviewed the current lease and they have received no complaints. Consensus of the Board was to continue the lease as is with Chaisen Hampton.

Mary Swan discussed concerns on wasteful use of County money. Swan has received two tickets since July 16th and feels that Deputy McNeill has spent over six hours in county paid time

on these tickets. Swan thinks he should be patrolling the County not the City of Tipton. Consensus of the Board was this is a Court matter and there's nothing the Board can do.

The Board recessed until 9:00 a.m.

At 9:00 a.m., the Board held their monthly department head meeting. Those in attendance and providing an update on their department were: Auditor Dauber, GIS Teut, Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue, Veterans Affairs Service Officer Hamann, Sheriff Wethington, Assessor Marx, Treasurer Delaney, County Attorney Renander, Engineer Fangmann, Interim Public Health Director Butler and Conservation Director Dauber.

Sup. Bell asked Sheriff Wethington, Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue and County Attorney Renander for an update on the 136 W Rochester property. Sup. Bell received a call from Kevin Slutts, who is waiting for property owners to sign off before the sale of property can happen. LaRue said the property is down to two trailers but having troubles contacting the property owners. LaRue said he would work with Assistant County Attorney Blank and get a letter sent out. Blank was called into the Boardroom and Mike Lucassen was present. Sup. Kaufmann asked Blank how to move forward on this property. Blank said the county could move forward with infractions. Lucassen stated someone else was also living on the property. Discussion was held. This will be placed on the agenda next Tuesday at 10:30 for further discussion and decision.

A phone call was placed to Phil Waniorek, Benefits, Inc. for clarification on the chiropractic issues with our County insurance. Auditor Dauber was present. Sup. Kaufmann asked Waniorek what happened because when Waniorek was here he said there would be no issues. Waniorek said there was some misunderstandings and where he stands, he has to make it right by the employees of Cedar County. BlueCross is paying chiropractors as out-of-network even though they are in the State of Iowa. In the operating claim systems, the word chiropractor is there but doesn't state it has to be on the HMO network to get claims paid as in-network. Waniorek has forwarded a letter to all chiropractors used by Cedar County employees in the last year to get them to be a part of the HMO network with contact information to the Iowa Chiropractic Physicians Clinic, which actually determines for BlueCross who's in the network or not in the network. Waniorek said what he was told and what he had seen wasn't completely right. Sup. Gaul asked what about the people that got caught in the middle. Waniorek said he would make it right by them and do what he needs to do to be sure they will be paid. The employees will only pay the copay and anything over and above that he will pay out of his pocket. Sup. Kaufmann asked what the procedure will be. Waniorek said the procedure will be that he is in the process of pulling all claims that are from chiropractic's from July 1st through current and is putting together a letter for employees that will explain chiropractic claims that have been processed by BlueCross as out-of-network claims. Benefits, Inc. said in the meetings that you will not have to pay any more than your copays and Benefits, Inc. will be writing employees a check for anything over your copays. Sup. Bell asked how hard is it to get chiropractic's in-network. Waniorek has a call into the Iowa Chiropractic Physicians Clinic to find out what their procedure is for chiropractic clinics to get in-network. Waniorek said if BlueCross would have told him chiropractic clinics needed to be in the HMO network he would have done this prior to even bringing this plan to Cedar County. Waniorek isn't sure we will get all the chiropractors in the HMO network but feels a good percentage of them will. Sup. Gaul ask if employees can keep using chiropractic clinics. Waniorek said yes he will continue to pay anything over a copay. Sup. Bell asked if our employees need to say something to their chiropractors to join the Iowa Chiropractic Physicians Clinic. Waniorek is hoping his letter will take care of it but the letter going out to employees will also ask employees to talk to their chiropractors. Waniorek apologized and said this was not supposed to be an issue at all. The call was concluded.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board continued a 2nd public hearing for review/consideration/action on the following rezoning petition: Keith Sanders, (Contract Buyer) and Scott and Rhonda Sanders, 2168 Washington Avenue, Durant, IA (Owners) – Requesting a change in zoning from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential District for the purpose of constructing a single family dwelling on property described as Parcel "A" located in the NW ¼, SW ¼, Section 23, T-79N, R-1W, in Farmington Township, consisting of 1.00 acres more or less. Environmental and Zoning Director LaRue, Engineer Fangmann, Keith Sanders and Scott Sanders were present.

There were no written or verbal objections on file. The updated LESA policy was discussed and explained that 1,500 additional points were given for familial relationship.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve the petition above after evaluation of the LESA policy and no other issues found.

Ayes: All

Engineer Fangmann met with the Board for a Utility Permit for Windstream at Virginia Avenue and 205th Street and the \$100 fee applies.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve the Utility Permit for Windstream and the \$100 fee applies.

Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Agne to adjourn at 10:14 a.m., to August 13, 2019.

Ayes: All

Cari A. Dauber, Auditor

Dawn Smith, Chairperson