

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. February 25, 2020 with the following members present: Smith, Gaul, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Agne. Bell was absent. Members of the public were also present.

The Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence from:

Carolyn Pace, Home Health Aide Notice of Voluntary Resignation effective February 18, 2020.
Chief Deputy Koranda regarding hiring Robin Furchtenicht, Correctional Officer effective February 24, 2020 at \$16.73 starting wage.

Chief Deputy Knoche regarding Kim Smith, Dispatcher discharged effective February 20, 2020.
Sheriff Wethington regarding Brenda Johnson, Officer Manager to be paid all hours worked and time and a half for hours worked over 80 hours in a two week period.

Diane Wehde, Fiscal Manager Notice of Voluntary Resignation effective February 21, 2020.

Teresa Russell, Nurse Notice of Voluntary Resignation effective February 24, 2020.

USDA Office regarding updating farm #6451 to show Aaron Moes as operator in general control.

JT Center Pork 4+, LLC for a County Verification receipt of DNR Construction Permit Application.

HIPAA Security Officer Tischuk regarding Confidentiality Statement on emails.

Cedar County Sheriff's Deputies issuing a vote of no confidence against Cedar County Attorney Renander.

Solid Waste Commission Director Crock regarding hiring Scott Moffit, Operator as a part-time employee effective February 25, 2020.

Manure Management Annual Updates submitted by:

LuJen Farms, Inc. for a site at 756 Garfield Road, West Branch.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on 2/21/2020 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #422622 for \$4,338.79-self funded medical claims.

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve the agenda.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

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

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve the Board Minutes of February 18, 2020.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Smith to approve Claim Disbursements #422507 - #422621 paid on 2/20/2020.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve a new 8 month Liquor License for Cedar County Fair for a Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales.

Ayes: All

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

Sup. Gaul, Interim Public Health Director Butler, Pat Lilienthal and Allen Byers representatives for the Board of Health met with the Board to discuss a conversation held last week with Mike Galloway, Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. A phone call was placed to Galloway. Galloway explained the different levels of nursing care provided by County Public Health Offices and Cedar County provides a higher level of nursing. Galloway explained our wage scale is a living and breathing document that will need to be continuously updated. Galloway recommends the Board of Health

increase Public Health Nurses from pay band 15 to pay band 18 with a minimum increase to pay band 17 as soon as possible. Discussion was held on the unique situation Cedar County has geographically. Butler thinks her budget will allow these increases to happen without a budget amendment but will work with Auditor Dauber.

At 9:00 a.m. Auditor Dauber met with the Board for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Property Tax Levy for FY20/21. Sheriff Wethington, Chief Deputy Knoche and Larry Hodgden were present. Dauber reviewed the Proposed Property Tax Levy. Larry Hodgden requested clarification on expenses paid out of Rural Services and General Services.

Maximum Property Tax Dollars Resolution
Approval of FY2021 Maximum Property Tax Dollars

WHEREAS, the Cedar County Board of Supervisors have considered the proposed FY2021 county maximum property tax dollars for both General County Services and Rural County Services, and
WHEREAS, a notice concerning the proposed county maximum property tax dollars was published as required and posted on county web site and/or social media accounts if applicable,
WHEREAS, a public hearing concerning the proposed county maximum property tax dollars was held on February 25, 2020,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Cedar County that the maximum property tax dollars for General County Services and Rural County Services for FY2021 shall not exceed the following:

General County Services- \$6,607,263

Rural County Services- \$2,897,553

The Maximum Property Tax dollars requested in either General County Services or Rural County Services for FY2021 represents an increase of 102% from the Maximum Property Tax dollars requested for FY 2021.

Roll Call Vote:

Smith - Aye

Gaul - Aye

Bell - Absent

Kaufmann - Aye

Agne - Aye

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to set the Public Hearing for FY20/21 County Budget to March 17, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

The public hearing was opened at 9:30 a.m. for a Construction Permit Application filed by Hinkhouse Customs LP for two new 2,480 head deep pit swine finisher confinement buildings for a new swine confinement facility. Environmental and Zoning Director LaRue, John Hinkhouse, Chris Schmit and Rachel Rinner were present. The location of the operation is in Section 11 of Springdale Township. There were no written or verbal objections on file. LaRue reviewed the Master Matrix evaluation. The proposed site received a passing Master Matrix score of 455.

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Bell to approve the Construction Permit Application for LNS Acres-Springdale Site.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve a work request for the Clerk of Court to remove coat hangers to make a conference room.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Smith to approve a work request for the Auditor's Office to hang a bulletin board.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Engineer Fangmann met with the Board to discuss the State of Iowa Section 130 Crossing Safety Improvements Agreement for the upgrading of signals on X30 at Downey with the Iowa Interstate Railroad. Discussion was held.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Smith to approve the State of Iowa Section 130 Crossing Safety Improvements Agreement for the upgrading of signals on X30 at Downey with the Iowa Interstate Railroad.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Engineer Fangmann met with the Board to discuss awarding contract for bridge project BROS-SWAP-C016(108)—FE-16.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Smith to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as “the Board”, believes the BROS-SWAP-C016(108)--FE-16, hereafter referred to as “the project” is in the best interest of Cedar County, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as a bridge replacement near 480 310th St. over a branch of the Wapsinonoc Creek in Sections 14 & 23 of Springdale Township ; and

WHEREAS, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and

WHEREAS, The Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Cedar County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by Board to accept the bid from Taylor Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$487,980.01 and awards the associated contract(s) to the same;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of The Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Cedar County, Iowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor’s bond and certificate of insurance, Robert D. Fangmann, the County Engineer for Cedar County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

Dated at Cedar County, Iowa, this 25th day of February, 2020.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve hiring Derek Meyer, MWII with an \$18.12 starting wage effective March 9, 2020.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve a Utility Permit for Clarence Telephone Company on Monroe Avenue and the \$100 fee applies.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Smith to approve a Utility Permit for Clarence Telephone Company on Red Star Road and the \$100 fee applies.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Smith to approve a Utility Permit for Clarence Telephone Company on 240th Street and the \$100 fee applies.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Smith to adjourn at 10:21 a.m., to March 3, 2020.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Cari A. Dauber, Auditor

Steve Agne, Chairperson