

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors regular meeting was held by electronic telephone conference with the call originating from the Cedar County Courthouse with no public access in an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 at 8:30 a.m. on March 31, 2020 with the following members on the call: Smith, Bell, Gaul, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Agne. Members of the public were also present on the call.

The Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence from: Attorney Renander explaining the claim payable to Visa.

Manure Management Annual Updates submitted by:  
Lance Schiele #66328 located at 2092 Delta Avenue, West Branch.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on 3/26/20 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #122723 for \$6,388.43-self funded medical claims.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Smith to approve the agenda.  
Ayes: All

Chairperson Agne addressed the public for comments: Larry Hodgden requested the Board of Supervisors work with Auditor Dauber regarding absentee voting.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve the Board Minutes of March 24, 2020.  
Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Smith to approve Payroll Disbursements #180982 – 181137 for the period ending March 21, 2020 and to be paid on March 27, 2020.  
Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Smith to approve the Business Associate Agreement with Heartland Shredding and Kim Mente.  
Ayes: All

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

Public Health Interim Director Butler released the following data: 424 confirmed State wide cases, 6,162 negative tests, 6 State wide deaths, and 8 cases in Cedar County. She is working on obtaining more PPE.

Engineer Fangmann discussed with the Board regarding the 2020 Rock Resurfacing Program request for quotes. Fangmann is proposing 12,000 ton per district, average of 400 ton of rock a mile and approximately 40% of the granular roads will be resurfaced. Deadline for bids to be returned is May 16<sup>th</sup> and the Board will take formal action on April 21<sup>th</sup>. Fangmann reviewed a map of the Rock Resurfacing Program. Discussion was held.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Smith to approve Engineer Fangmann to request quotes for the 2020 Rock Resurfacing Program and modify the map.  
Ayes: All

Engineer Fangmann held a discussion regarding applying to support the National Scenic Byway. Discussion was held.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve supporting the National Scenic Byway with the following language added to the designation form, support for this application is contingent upon no financial obligations required of Cedar County.  
Ayes: All

Engineer Fangmann discussed with the Board the permit and agreement to work within Cedar County right of way for the placement of a sensor on the Cedar River Rochester Bridge.

Discussion was held. The consensus of the Board was these sensors have been a very resourceful tool and agrees we should add a sensor on the Rochester bridge.

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Bell to approve the permit and agreement to perform work within Cedar County right of way for the placement of a sensor on the Cedar River Rochester Bridge.

Ayes: All

Sup. Kaufmann shared with the Board that Community Action is requesting a general support document from Cedar County in reference to grants available due to COVID-19. ECIA will take the lead. Sup. Smith asked if there is a fee for the services provided by ECIA. Sup. Kaufmann stated he did not know. Sup. Bell stated in previous grants the administration fee is included in the grant or ECIA can waive the fee. Sup. Smith will initiate a call to confirm.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Smith to approve Cedar County to provide a letter of support and/or application for a CDBG Grant to combat COVID-19.

Ayes: All

Sup. Agne addressed the Board on the document Auditor Dauber emailed the Board. Discussion was held on the template, Cedar County Infectious Disease Action Plan COVID-19 Pandemic, provided by Ahlers & Cooney. The consensus of the Board was the county needs to implement the plan and stated the document is a working document that can be revised at any time.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Agne to approve the Infectious Disease Action Plan COVID-19 Pandemic.

Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to allow employees to use their sick time to supplement their pay in regards to the COVID-19 Paid Leave Guide for Employees, a Federal mandated policy.

Auditor Dauber informed the Board that she is awaiting further information from the IRS and our independent auditing firm for guidance on the tax relief for employers regarding payroll tax savings before implementation.

Sup. Bell stated he publicly thanked the Public Health Department last week, although he left out the EMA Department, which consists of Tim Malott, Jodi Freet and Kate Ehlers on the assistance they provided to the Public Health Department. Sup. Bell reminded the Board today is Tim Malott's last day at Cedar County due to his retirement.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Smith to adjourn at 9:41 a.m., to April 7, 2020.

Ayes: All

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Cari A. Dauber, Auditor

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Steve Agne, Chairperson