

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. August 18, 2020 with the following members present: Smith, Bell, Gaul, and Chairperson Agne. Kaufmann 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:  
Engineer Fangmann regarding returning to five, eight-hour days effective September 14, 2020.  
Judy Suchomel requesting county face mask mandate.  
Kelly Deutmeyer, ECIA storm damage funds available.  
Treasurer Delaney regarding Public Funds Rates and Register of Investments.  
Kristin Roberts, President of United Way regarding resources available.  
Lisa Hurtig-Kilburg requesting a weather alert siren be placed in Springdale.  
Wesley Clemens requesting the residents of Springdale an emergency siren.

Manure Management Annual Updates submitted by:  
Urmie Site #68641 for a site on 240<sup>th</sup> St., Tipton.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on August 14, 2020 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #424431 for \$425.02-self funded medical claims.

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

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

Chairperson Agne addressed the public for comments and there were none.

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Bell to approve the Board Minutes of August 11, 2020.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve Payroll Disbursements #182540 - #182689 for the period ending August 8, 2020 and to be paid on August 14, 2020.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended. Sup. Kaufmann entered the board room at 8:37 a.m. Sup. Gaul reported the Board of Health approved with a four to one vote, a monetary amount of \$3,000 and an extra week of vacation to be used before December 2021 for Bonnie Butler. Sup. Kaufmann reported that Jeric Armstrong, Clarence Mayor will be meeting with President Trump today in Cedar Rapids.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Smith to approve the Semi-Annual Settlement Report of the Board of Supervisors submitted by the County Treasurer.

Ayes: All

Engineer Fangmann met with the Board to discuss filling a Maintenance Worker II position. Discussion was held.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bell to approve the hiring for a Maintenance Worker II position.

Ayes: All

Chairperson Agne addressed the Board regarding two emails they received requesting a siren for the community of Springdale. EMA Director Freet addressed the Board that each siren would cost approximately \$50,000. Sup. Kaufmann noted of all the other communities in the same situation. Freet stated the sirens were utilized twenty years ago and technology has changed. Currently citizens are utilizing Alert Iowa. The Board asked Freet to meet with them at a later date to discuss other options.

Chairperson Agne addressed the Board on an email they received regarding a county wide mask mandate. Public Health Director Walker informed the Board that this conversation was with Bonnie Butler. Walker recommends any type of mitigation to help with the spread. She noted the Public Health Department follows the CDC and Iowa Department of Public Health guidelines. Sup. Bell noted the county has installed glass barriers to protect the employees and the citizens. Walker expressed interest in mandating the mask in the Public Health Office, if it was authorized. Walker stated only the Governor has the authority to issue a mask mandate.

EMA Director Freet met with the Board to provide an update on DERECHO. Freet warned the public on the fraud issues that are happening in the county. She will be posting on social media. Freet has been working with Julie Tischuk and Bobbie Conrad – Marion to provide food supplies to the communities. She informed the Board that the Governor requested the President to declare a Presidential Declaration on Monday and the President did so on Tuesday. The declaration was for Public Assistance and HMPG. She was hoping that the President would include individual assistance too. Freet informed the Board the Buchanan County EMA will be flying a drone to access damages in the county today.

EMA Director Freet updated the Board on COVID-19. Freet received notification that the safety glass she submitted to Homeland Security has passed through the historical and environmental check and is pending review from the program manager. Freet has not received any updates on the temporary salary that was submitted for reimbursement.

Stephanie Lathrop, CAROSH Chief Operating Office, met with the Board to discuss the status of the HIPAA Compliance Program. Those present were Julie Tischuk, HIPAA Security Officer, Bobbie Conrad-Marion, HIPAA Privacy Officer, Public Health Director Walker, Engineer Fangmann and Sheriff Wethington. A presentation was provided by Lathrop. Sup. Kaufmann asked Lathrop that if a county employee posted medical information on social media or in the newspaper about themselves or family member and a citizen overheard other county employees talk about this situation whether that is a reportable incident. Lathrop explained that once the individual makes a situation public and the employees did not use any county information regarding the situation then it is not a reportable incident or violation of privacy. Lathrop informed the Board on the training modules and the percentage of completion. She stated it is important for all employees to complete the training modules to release the county from any liability if a violation would occur. Sup. Bell wondered if a note could be attached to the employee's paystub. Tischuk thought that was a great idea. The annual renewal amount is \$10,765.00 and the allowance for travel expenses will be credited in the amount of \$420.00. Tischuk recommended approval of the renewal to the Board.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Smith to approve the renewal with CAROSH.  
Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Smith to adjourn at 9:48 a.m., to August 25, 2020.  
Ayes: All

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Cari A. Dauber, Auditor

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Steve Agne, Chairperson