

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. March 16, 2021 with the following members present: Smith, Bell, Gaul, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Agne. Members of the public were also present.

The Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence from:
Veterans Affairs Service Officer Hamann submitted approved March reports and approved minutes of February 17, 2021 meeting.
Deputy Koranda submitted a pay change for Ken Coffey from \$19.22 per hour to \$20.15 per hour, effective on January 23, 2021.

Manure Management Annual Updates submitted by:
Fletcher Farm #65560 for a site at 852 Green Road, Tipton.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on March 12, 2021 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #426574 for \$12,217.49-self funded medical claims.

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

Pro-Tem Chairperson Kaufmann addressed the public for comments and there were none.

Larry Hodgden reported to the Board that the Freedom Rock Committee will be placing 3' of permanent pavers on the back side of the wall. The current flag poles will be replaced with six permanent 13' flag poles placed 18" from the wall inside the pavers. This will be less burden when mowing.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Smith to approve the Board Minutes of March 9, 2021.
Ayes: All
Abstain: Bell

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bell to approve Payroll Disbursements #184851-184999 for the period ending 3/6/21 and to be paid on 3/12/21.
Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve a renewal for Wahkonsa County Club for a 12-month Class C liquor license with outdoor service and Sunday sales, effective April 1, 2021.
Ayes: All

Roger Pavey with Community Action telephoned the Board to discuss the funds available for assistance. Others present on the phone were: Melissa Armstrong, Cindy Doermann, and Deb Bixler with the City of Tipton. Pavey stated the City of Tipton is the only municipal provider in Cedar County, therefore he would like to be contacted before any citizen would be disconnected. Pavey further explained he has funds available to assist. The residence of the City of Tipton would not need to apply. Any Cedar County citizen can contact Roger if they need assistance through LIHEAP. The deadline is April 30th. Armstrong stated Pavey will be contacted before any resident of Tipton service is discontinued.

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

Public Health Director Walker conferenced into the meeting and provided a COVID-19 update. Walker informed the Board she is receiving 400 doses every week. In cooperation of the pharmacies, West Branch Fire and Rescue and the Tipton Ambulance the doses are administered. Currently the Public Health Department is administering approximately 150 a week. Although three pharmacies will be receiving their own allocation, therefore, the Public Health Department will be responsible to administer more vaccines a week. Walker informed the Board that she will forward the Acuity contract for the Board's signature by next Tuesday.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bell to approve the \$275.00 NACO registration fee to be paid out of the Board of Supervisors budget.

Ayes: All

Treasurer Delaney met with the Board to discuss the approval of hiring a replacement for Jackie Bohlen that is retiring on April 15, 2021. Delaney explained the work volume is increasing and she is continuing to cross train in the office. She is concerned whether she will be able to find a qualified candidate for a part-time position. Discussion was held.

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Gaul to allow Treasurer Delaney to hire a full-time position instead of a part-time position.

Ayes: All

Nay: Bell

EMA Director Freet presented the Board with a letter addressed to Iowa Homeland Security, Katie Waters requesting to de-obligate the Federal and State Funds for Project 152062, regarding the Public Health related expenses.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Smith to approve Pro-Tem Kaufmann to sign the letter de-obligating the funds for Project 152062.

Ayes: All

CPC Director Tischuk met with the Board and presented a handout detailing the five-county region Mental Health budget. Discussion was held. The budget was approved by the governing board. Tischuk informed the board she is waiting for Business Associate Agreement from Acuity.

Auditor Dauber asked the Board if Department Heads need to continue to track the customers that entered their office and the temperature log of the employee's. Discussion was held. The consensus of the Board was to continue until the end of April.

The Board requested Public Health Director Walker meet with the Board. Walker joined the Board in the Boardroom. Sup. Kaufmann explained to Walker the Board has been discussing pre-cautions of COVID-19, parking in the courthouse lot, continuing to track customers in office, temperature checks to name a few. Kaufmann asked if Walker had thought about renting a facility to accommodate the vaccine clinics. Walker stated they have although there are several issues when moving the clinic. Preparedness Director Butler joined the meeting. Walker stated she does not know week to week the allocation she will receive. Sup. Bell questioned Walker since she reported early in the meeting, she receives 400 doses of the vaccine a week. Walker clarified she does not know how many of the allocations they will be administering. Sup. Gaul contacted Lynne Chapman regarding the availability of the fairgrounds. After discussion was held it was the consensus of the Board that Walker contact Mike Goetz on the building located on Lynn Street for renting. Butler agreed another location would be great. Walker will contact Goetz and will tentatively plan to conduct the clinics starting on April 7th outside the courthouse.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Gaul to adjourn at 10:49 a.m., to March 23, 2021.

Ayes: All

Cari A. Dauber, Auditor

Steve Agne, Chairperson