

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. August 31, 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 August reports and approved minutes of July 14, 2021.

Sherina Winslow and Cindy Dykstra regarding to ban mask mandates and passports.

Iowa Supreme Court – August 27, 2021, Order mandating wearing a face coverings.

Clarification from Judge Werling regarding the August 27, 2021, Order.

Jamie Cashman, ISAC Government Relations Manager inquiring about a meeting to address any issues.

Waylyn McCulloh, District Director for Seventh Judicial District Department of Correctional Services regarding a conference on October 20-21st.

Cedar/Jones ECI meeting information for 2021-2022.

Auditor Dauber submitted correspondence stating promotions within the Auditor's Office for Angela Driscoll as 1st Deputy and Stephanie Wiese as Election Deputy.

E&Z Director LaRue submitted the August 18th minutes from the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Manure Management Annual Updates submitted by:

South Finisher #69133 for a site in Dayton Township.

Allen Wiese #58027 for a site at 2217 220th Street, Bennett.

Glenora Feed Yard LLC #66391 for a site at 26618 20th Avenue, Stockton – owner Bryan Sievers.

Soil Builder LLC #65561 for a site at 1862 180th Street, Lowden.

Hansen DB Ltd #63292 for a site at 1946 Taylor Avenue, Clarence.

Tom Whetstone #67457 for a site at 1633 300th Street, Wilton.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on August 27, 2021, to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #428314 for \$1,283.61-self funded medical claims.

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

Ayes: All

Chairperson Agne addressed the public for comments. EMA Director Freet updated the Board on the potential funding.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bell to approve the Board Minutes of August 24, 2021.

Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Bell to approve Payroll Disbursements #186745-186747 for the period ending 8/21/21 and to be paid on 8/27/21.

Ayes: All

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

At 8:45 a.m. a public hearing was held for Paustian Construction, 1020 Ridge View Dr. Tipton, IA 52772 (Owner) – Requesting approval of a Final Plat of Survey for a nine (9) lot subdivision, Secluded Ridge Fourth Addition, located in the SE ¼, NE ¼ of Section 10, T-80N, R-3W and SW ¼, NW ¼ of Section 11, T-80N, R-3W, in Center West Township, consisting of 19.06 acres more or less. Said property is currently zoned R-1 Suburban Residential District. E&Z Director LaRue, Engineer Fangmann, Allen Paustian, and Irene Woods were present. LaRue stated he has all the approved documents, and there are no written or verbal objections on file. There is a request for variance and to allow individual septic system. The plat does not show location of wells. Engineer Fangmann has no concerns.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve the final plat and variance and waive the second hearing.

Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Smith to approve a utility permit for Eastern Iowa REC for new service located at 1631 210th Street, Tipton.

Ayes: All

General discussion was held with E&Z Director LaRue on the upcoming public hearing for River Valley. LaRue provided additional documents for the Board to review.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairperson Agne read the September is Hunger Action Month Proclamation. Kennisha Entsminger, Volunteer Coordinator, DVIP informed the Board there are assisting 1,200 Cedar County citizens, which includes 440 children.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded Sup. Smith approved the Proclamation for September is Hunger Action Month.

Ayes: All

1st Deputy Auditor Driscoll met with the Board to discuss the current sick leave policy and how it relates to COVID leave. Driscoll informed the Board she discussed the situation with Mike Galloway, Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. Galloway recommended to follow the sick leave policy for COVID. Driscoll explained the process of the sick leave policy.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Gaul approved to follow the Cedar County Handbook sick leave policy for COVID sickness and not the CDC guidelines.

Ayes: All

Assistant County Attorney Blank met with the Board to discuss the process for SF615, making Cedar County an EMS Essential Service. Blank stated the Board is required to publish notice of intent 60 days prior to the first of three meetings (two hearings and third action on resolution). Blank will provide the notice to Auditor Dauber.

The Board requested Public Health Director Walker to provide a COVID update. Walker was not available, therefore Public Health Preparedness Director Butler met with the Board. Butler informed the Board they are getting ready for the third dose, and they need to order the booster vaccine once approved on September 20th. Butler stated there were eleven cases today and the cases are increasing. Public Health Department has distributed 75 saliva test kits. Currently 51.6% of Cedar County residence are vaccinated.

The Board agreed that September 30th is the deadline for the Department Heads to present American Rescue Plan projects and estimated costs to the Board. Auditor Dauber will send an email.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Agne to adjourn at 9:54 a.m., to September 7, 2021.

Ayes: All

Cari A. Dauber, Auditor

Steve Agne, Chairperson