

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. April 12, 2022, with the following members present: Smith, Bell, Gaul, and Chairperson Agne. Sup. 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:

Recorder Bahnsen provided a copy of the recorded Quit Claim Deed to the City of West Branch. Recorded in Book 1642 Page 241-242 on April 5, 2022.

City of West Branch Notice of Public Hearing and Amendment No. 5 to the Amended and Restated West Branch Urban Renewal Plan.

Veterans Affairs Service Officer Hamann submitted approved April reports and minutes from March 9, 2022.

Sandy Heick, Co-Chair EMS committee provided a link and number to join the next EMS committee meeting on April 13, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Recorder Bahnsen submitted Quarterly Report of Fees Collected for the quarter ending March 31, 2022.

Chief Deputy Koranda on the hiring of Josh Grothe, Correctional Officer on a temporary basis starting March 14, 2022, at \$22.43 per hour.

Interim Public Health Director Caes on the hiring of Stefanie Wagaman, Public Health Director starting May 2, 2022, at \$34.29 per hour.

WTC Communications thanking the board for the funding they received for broadband installation.

Iowa Utilities Board on a Petition for Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Permit.

Conservation Director Dauber notice of new hire of Charles Adolph, Seasonal Maintenance effective on April 18, 2022, at a rate of \$11.00 per hour.

Manure Management Annual Updates submitted by:

Jeff Salsbery #62843 for a site located at 1334 Old Muscatine Rd. Tipton.

PJ Farms Inc #68054 for a site located at 1119 Vermont Ave Bennett.

PJ Farms Inc. Site 2 for a site located in Inland Township.

R&S Horman Farms Ltd #62982 for a site located at 1023 262nd St., Wheatland.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on 4/8/2022 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #430752 for \$1,913.68-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. Interim Public Health Director Caes informed the board all positions are filled, and the new director will start on May 2, 2022. Caes provided COVID-19 home test kits to all board members.

Move by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve a 6-month Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service, Living Quarters and Sunday Sales for Cedar River Campground effective April 15, 2022.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Agne to approve the Board Minutes of April 5, 2022.

Ayes: All

Abstain: Smith

Absent: Kaufmann

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Smith to approve Payroll Disbursements #189192-189338 for the period ending 4/2/22 and to be paid on 4/8/22. This includes payouts for Mary Sue McKillip and Marilyn Carney.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

Chairperson Agne read the Child Abuse Prevention Proclamation.

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Bell to proclaim the month of April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month in Cedar County.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

Engineer Fangmann met with the board and presented the Secondary Road 5-year Construction Program and map. Fangmann reviewed the program and explained the following change from the prior year program. The F44 Cedar River Rochester Bridge project moved from FY2023 to FY2025, as he is pursuing other funding opportunities. The FY2027 projects are as follows: F58 – resurfacing, working with Muscatine County, 640 Hoover Hwy; bridge south of Lowden, and X40 resurfacing south of Mechanicsville a total cost of \$4,850,000.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Smith to approve the 5-year Construction Program.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

Engineer Fangmann presented the Wetland Mitigation Credit Purchase Agreement. This is located on the Cedar/Johnson/Linn County line. Discussion was held.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Smith to approve the Wetland Mitigation Credit Purchase Agreement.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bell to approve a utility permit for Alliant to perform work at 1589 200th Street and the \$100 fee applies.

Ayes: All


Absent: Kaufmann

Engineer Fangmann expressed his frustration regarding a legislative bill that have been amended that would allow legal weight limits on county roads at 90,000# all year round on a five-axle truck. Fangmann explained the damage factor on the road system and the effect it will have on all bridges in Cedar County. Fangmann stated there must be a balance; these roads built in the 1950's – 1960's will not sustain this weight. He has reached out to our representatives regarding this topic.

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Gaul to adjourn at 9:49 a.m., to April 19, 2022.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann



Cari A. Dauber, Auditor



Steve Agne, Chairperson