

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. March 7, 2023 with the following members present: Bixler, Barnhart, Gaul, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Bell. Members of the public were also present.

The Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence from: Chief Deputy Knoche regarding Jill Sneddon-Urmie successfully completed 6 months employment effective 2/28/2023 and her new wage will be \$21.19/hour.

Manure Management Annual Updates submitted by:
Curt Engler #68497 for a site at 2370 190th St., Wheatland.
Tenley Farms LLC #64267 for a site in Hale Township, Jones County.
Rose Ave Pork #62879 for a site at 911 Rose Ave., Clarence.
Tim Kahl #62880 for a site at 2109 Hoover Hwy, Lowden.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on 3/3/2023 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #434280 for \$4,094.24-self funded medical claims.

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

Chairperson Bell addressed the public for comments. Lisa Dierks asked the Board if they have spoken to Attorney Timothy Whipple. Attorney Timothy Whipple is scheduled for the Board Tuesday, March 14th at 9:30 a.m.

Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Barnhart to approve the Board Minutes of February 28, 2023.
Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve Claim Disbursements #434185 - #434279 paid on 3/2/2023.
Ayes: All

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

The Board discussed Highway 30 expansion super two vs four-lane. City of Lowden, Clarence and Mechanicsville all submitted Resolutions supporting a four-lane. City of Stanwood had two responses from council members split between a super two and four-lane. Discussion was held.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve and allow Chairperson Bell to sign the following Resolution:

SUPPORTING COMPLETION OF FOUR-LANE U.S. HIGHWAY 30

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Cedar County, Iowa, find that a critical need exists to complete U.S. Highway 30 as a four-lane, high priority corridor across the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the citizens, businesses, and industries of Cities and Counties along U.S. Highway 30 in Iowa have combined their efforts to four-lane U.S. Highway 30 from the Eastern Iowa border to the Western Iowa border; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Highway 30 in Iowa is a part of a 3,389 mile route that stretches from New York City at Broadway and 42nd Street to San Francisco's Lincoln Park; and

WHEREAS, the completion of U.S. Highway 30, four-laned, is fiscally responsible, economically wise, safe, and Iowa business friendly; and

WHEREAS, the completion of a four-lane roadway for U.S. Highway 30 is a joint effort of many communities along U.S. Highway 30; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Cedar County, Iowa, requests the Iowa Department of Transportation halt the planning and development of a Super 2 facility on any section of U.S. Highway 30 in Iowa as it will be detrimental to past efforts to improve traffic flow and improved traffic safety, while hampering future economic development efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Cedar County, Iowa, supports the completion of a four-lane U.S. Highway 30 (more of a rural concept similar to Hwy 61) across the State of Iowa by using the least amount of farm land possible; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Cedar County, Iowa, fully supports a four-lane U.S. Highway 30 in Iowa.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 7th day of March, 2023.

Ayes: All

Kaufmann informed the Board that Jeffrey Graves is no longer a realtor. The Eminent Domain Commission needs two individuals that are realtors. The Board will continue to search for individuals.

At 8:45 a.m., a public hearing was held for review/consideration/action on the following petition: Dotson Farm LLC, Debra DeVore, 2116 Ivory Avenue, Atalissa, Iowa (Owner) - Requesting a change in zoning from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential District for the purpose of allowing construction of a single-family dwelling on property located in the SW ¼, NE ¼, Section 21, T-79N, R-3W, in Iowa Township. Said petition is to rezone 1.99 acres m/l. Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue and Debra DeVore was present. No objections are on file. Discussion was held on the Land Use Plan. Bell explained that passing the plan was hard regarding the familial topic. Kaufmann explained the Land Use Plan is to be used as a guide and the Supervisors are elected to make the final decisions.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve the zoning from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential District as stated above and waive the seconded hearing.

Ayes: All

Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue met with the Board to consider a minor subdivision for Linn Farms Second Addition petitioned by Shirley J. Linn located in the SW ¼ NW ¼, NW ¼ SW ¼, NE ¼ SW ¼, SW ¼ SW ¼, SE ¼ SW ¼ of Section 4, T. 80 N., R. 3 W., and NW ¼ NW ¼, NE ¼ NW ¼, SW ¼ NW ¼, and SE ¼ NW ¼ of Section 9, T. 80 N., R. 3 W., of the 5th P.M., Cedar County, Iowa. No objections are on file.

Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Barnhart to approve Linn Farms Second Addition—minor subdivision.

Ayes: All

Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue updated the Board on property concerns on Valley Rd. LaRue said he will be meeting with one landowner tomorrow and the other landowner letter was returned.

At 9:00 a.m. the Board held their monthly department head meeting. Those in attendance and providing an update were Recorder Bahnsen, Treasurer Delaney, Engineer Fangmann, Public Health Manager Foor, Public Health Director Wagaman, Veteran Affairs Service Officer Hamann, Assessor Griggs, Sheriff Wethington and Auditor Wiese. Discussion was held.

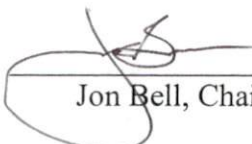
Engineer Fangmann provided an updated map on different jobs completed by his staff.

Auditor Wiese provided the Board with an updated Valuation report as requested.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to adjourn at 9:57 a.m., to March 14, 2023.

Ayes: All


Stephanie Wiese, Auditor


Jon Bell, Chairperson