

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. December 12, 2023 with the following members present: Bixler, Barnhart, Gaul and Pro-Tem Kaufmann. Chairperson Bell 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: Assessor Dauber providing an update on Schneider/Beacon.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on 12/8/2023 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #437269 for \$2,617.69-self funded medical claims.

Pro-Tem Kaufmann presented Jody Lovell with a 20-year certificate.

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve the agenda.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Pro-Tem Kaufmann addressed the public for comments. Robert Niermeyer informed the Board he feels that all Supervisors are not on the same page for the pipeline due to verbal information he had heard. Sup. Kaufmann assured Niermeyer that the things he had heard were incorrect.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Barnhart to approve the Board Minutes of December 5, 2023.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve Claim Disbursements #437127 - #437268 paid on 12/7/2023.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Barnhart to approve and allow Chair Pro-Tem Kaufmann to sign the quote from Solutions for the Recorder Index Inquiry in the amount of \$3,600/year.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

EMA Director Freet reviewed the updated Professional Services Agreement with MCM for Phase II of the EMS Study. A few changes were discussed on QRS and final payment as requested by the Board.

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve and allow Chair Pro-Tem Kaufmann to sign the Professional Services Agreement with MCM for Phase II.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

EMA Director Freet informed the Board that Lonnie Koch was nominated and will be on the Interviewing Committee for hiring an EMS Director.

At 8:45 a.m. the Board held a public hearing for review/consideration/action on the following petition: Craig Noring, 2244 Garfield Avenue, West Liberty, Iowa (Owner) and Matthew & Jackie Goodale, 1058 285th Street, Tipton, Iowa (Buyers)—Requesting a change in zoning from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential District for the purpose of building a new single-family dwelling on property located on Parcel A, Excluding Parcel 1 of A, also described as the SW ¼, SW ¼, Sec 19, T-79N, R-3W, in Iowa Township. Said petition is to rezone 3 acres m/l. Matthew & Jackie Goodale, E & Z Director LaRue and Engineer Fangmann were in

attendance. Chair Pro-Tem Kaufmann read the legal notice. LaRue stated there are no written or verbal objections on file. Discussion was held.

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve a change in zoning from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential District for the purpose of building a new single-family dwelling and waive the second hearing.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

The Board held a public hearing for review/consideration/action on the following petition: Stuart & Sharon Clark, PO Box 271, Tipton, IA 52772 (Owners)—Requesting a change in zoning from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential District for the purpose of selling the property as residential to allow construction of a future single-family dwelling on property located in the NE corner of the SW ¼, NE ¼ in Section 5, T-80N, R-2W, Center West Township. Said petition is to rezone 1.99 acres m/l. Stuart Clark, Daniel Lilienthal, E & Z Director LaRue and Engineer Fangmann were in attendance. Chair Pro-Tem Kaufmann read the legal notice. LaRue stated there are no written or verbal objections on file. Discussion was held on the driveway permit issued. The driveway meets the criteria, but Board members mentioned it is on a curve and isn't ideal.

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve a change in zoning from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential District for the purpose of selling the property as residential to allow construction of a future single-family dwelling and waive the second hearing.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Kristine Bullock, Director Workplace Learning Center met with the Board for FY24/25 funding review. Bullock provided a handout on statistics on Cedar County. Discussion was held. Current County funding for The Workplace Learning Connection is \$1,834.00. The Workplace Learning Connection is requesting funding of \$.10 per capita based off the 2020 census for a total amount of \$1,850.50, therefore not requesting an increase in funding. Bullock appreciates the County's support. Kaufmann was absent 9:07 a.m. and returned at 9:18 a.m. No decision was made.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Barnhart to authorize Chair Pro-Tem Kaufmann to sign the Crime Policy renewal in the amount of \$1,425.00.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

The Board recessed until 9:30 a.m.

Rod Ness of the Cedar County Economic Development Commission (C.C.E.D.C.O.) met with the Board for a FY24/25 funding review. Ness distributed a handout and discussed leveraging assets, FY23/24 activities, Home Base Iowa Program, and budget. Current County funding for C.C.E.D.C.O. is \$80,634 and Home Base Iowa funding is \$7,500. Ness informed the Board the State level of Home Base Iowa is unknown at this time but would like to keep the County level. Discussion was held. C.C.E.D.C.O. is not requesting an increase in funding. No decision was made.

Alta Medea, Domestic Violence Intervention Program (D.V.I.P.) met with the Board for a FY24/25 funding request. Medea informed the Board the individuals served within Cedar County has increased by 79% from last year. Current County funding for the D.V.I.P is \$8,250. Medea is requesting an increase of \$2,500 in funding and greatly appreciates making Domestic Violence Intervention Program a priority. No decision was made on FY23/24 funding.

Engineer Fangmann presented two utility permits and provided project updates.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Barnhart to approve a utility permit for Linn County REC on Plato Road and the \$100 fee applies.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve a utility permit for South Slope on Solon Road and 210th and the \$100 fee applies.

Ayes: All

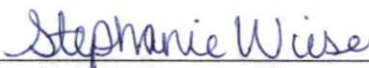
Absent: Bell

Linda Beck, Laurie Jewell, Sherry & Lynn Hanks and Herold Weber met with the Board to discuss dedicating X40 from Mechanicsville to the Jones County line in memory of Dennis Lee Weber KIA in 1965 in Vietnam. Engineer Fangmann was in attendance. The family explained to the Board how Dennis Lee Weber lost his life. Discussion was held. Consensus was to have Engineer Fangmann investigate a policy for dedicating roads and report back to the Board.

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Gaul to adjourn at 11:07 a.m., to December 19, 2023.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell



Stephanie Wiese, Auditor



Jeff Kaufmann, Chair Pro-Tem