

July 23, 2019 9:00 a.m.

The Jones County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Present Chairman Rohwedder, Supervisors Eaken, Oswald, Manternach, and Zirkelbach.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Eaken to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2019 meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Manternach to approve claims #1907-0197 through #1907-0410. All aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Manternach introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Oswald. On roll call vote: Oswald aye, Eaken aye, Zirkelbach aye, Manternach aye, Rohwedder aye, whereupon the Chairman declared the resolution passed and adopted.

#### TAX ABATEMENT RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Jones County Treasurer shall, pursuant to Section 445.63 of the Code of the Iowa (2019), abate property taxes on property acquired by the City of Monticello, in the amount shown below, and any applicable interest and cost, and make appropriate notations on the tax list for the parcels listed below:

MONCO 02 28 228 010	\$2,534.00 (2018 CT)	Briefly described as:
		R.R. ADD. W ½ LOT 511 & N 16' LOTS 512 & 513, CITY OF MONTICELLO

Moved by Eaken seconded by Zirkelbach to hire Whitney Stout as an on-call radio operator, effective July 1, 2019 at \$16.34 per hour, and to hire Marissa Vislisel as an on-call kitchen and meal transporter for Senior Dining, effective July 16, 2019 at \$10.66 per hour, with benefits per the county employee handbook. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Eaken to acknowledge receipt of a manure management plan update from TCCC Pork, LLC (facility #68600) for a facility located in Section 18 of Scotch Grove Township, with the County Auditor to retain the document in a temporary file for public access for one year. All aye. Motion carried

Moved by Oswald seconded by Manternach to approve a fireworks permit for Chad Cleppe and Borst Brothers Construction for an event to be held at 5088 Hwy 38, Olin on August 3, 2019. All aye. Motion carried. [2019-081]

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Eaken to open bids to re-set the steps on the east and south entrances to the courthouse at 9:10 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

One bid was received for the project.

Moved by Manternach seconded by Zirkelbach to table action on the bid for the project to re-set the steps on the east and south entrances to the courthouse to allow time to discuss the bid with representatives of Shive-Hattery Architecture and Engineering to review the bids. All aye. Motion carried.

The Board and Auditor briefly discussed correspondence from Senator Ernst regarding the Fairview Sanitary Sewer System, and also discussed the need for a meeting with representatives from the Eastern Iowa Rural Utility Service System (E.I.R.U.S.S.) to discuss their billing practices and the utility administration agreement between E.I.R.U.S.S. and Jones County.

The Community Services Director and Mechele Dhondt, Executive Director of the Mental Health & Disability Services of the East Central Region, met with the Board to request approval for a starting pay rate for a part-time social worker to be hired by Jones County to provide services in the region, and to request pay increases for the Community Services Director and for the current social worker.

Moved by Manternach seconded by Eaken to create a part-time social work position and to set the starting pay rate for the position at \$26 per hour. Ayes: Oswald, Eaken, Manternach, and Rohwedder. Nays: Zirkelbach. Motion carried.

Moved by Manternach seconded by Eaken to increase the salary of Nancy Fahey, Social Worker from \$52,874 per year to \$28 per hour. Ayes: Manternach and Rohwedder. Nays: Oswald, Eaken, and Zirkelbach. Motion failed.

Dhondt left at 10:10 a.m.

The Community Services Director asked the Board to consider a salary rate for Fahey to \$27 per hour as a compromise to her initial request.

Moved by Eaken seconded by Manternach to increase the salary of Nancy Fahey, Social Worker from \$52,874 to \$27 per hour. Ayes: Manternach and Rohwedder. Nays: Oswald, Eaken, and Zirkelbach. Motion failed.

The Community Services Director requested that the Board, at a minimum, adjusted her salary to be at least \$5.18 above the highest hourly rate for the social worker positions to maintain the current difference between her salary as Director and that of her staff.

Moved by Manternach seconded by Eaken to increase the salary of Lucia Herman, Community Services Director from \$63,648 to \$64,854 per year, effective July 23, 2019. Ayes: Eaken, Manternach and Rohwedder. Nays: Oswald and Zirkelbach. Motion carried.

The Engineer met with the Board to provide an update on various road and bridge projects, and noted that Iowa State University would be using a portion of 15<sup>th</sup> St. to implement a research project on various surface products. The Engineer provided additional information regarding a request from a property owner to hard surface a portion of 195<sup>th</sup> St. at the property owner's expense.

Aaron Davis, Jessica Dooley, and Chris Nelson, Shive-Hattery Architecture & Engineering, met with the Board to review cost estimates and design alternatives for projects to move the HVAC units out of the windows in the courthouse, and to replace the windows in the courthouse. Window, framing, and chaise samples, along with a design for potential routing of condensate lines will be provided at the July 30, 2019 meeting.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Oswald to reject the bid from Bi-State Masonry, Inc. in the amount of \$44,892 to re-set the steps at the east and south entrances to the courthouse, as the bid exceeded the engineer's estimate by 14%. All aye. Motion carried.

The Auditor reviewed the amount of funds expected to be available for the window and HVAC projects, provided a sample whistleblower policy provided by the county's labor relations consultant for compliance with SF502, and reported briefly on her conversation with the labor relations consultant regarding the recertification process for the county's collective bargaining unit.

The Board members reported on recent and upcoming committee meetings, and discussed a request from the Heritage Agency on Aging to appoint a Jones County citizen to their board of directors.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Eaken to adjourn at 11:37 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Attest: Janine Sulzner, Auditor

Ned Rohwedder, Chairman