

January 7, 2020 9:10 a.m.

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

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Eaken to approve the minutes of the January 2, 2020 meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Rohwedder to approve claims #2001-0001 through #2001-0139. All aye. Motion carried.

The Board discussed employee mileage reimbursement claims. The Auditor inquired about issuing a bid package for removal of the building at the county farm.

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Zirkelbach to approve, and place on file, the Clerk's Report of Fees Collected for the month ending December 31, 2019. All aye. Motion carried. [2020-002]

Moved by Oswald seconded by Eaken to open the public hearing at 9:15 a.m. to review the plans, specifications, estimated cost, and form of contract for a window replacement contract at the Courthouse. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Oswald aye, Eaken aye, Manternach aye. Motion carried.

Mike Mollenhauer, Shive-Hattery Architecture & Engineering, explained the proposal and presented the plans, specifications, form of contract, noted two addendums had been issued since the project was initially let for bidding, and estimated the cost of the project to be \$520,000.

No persons present offered any comments regarding the project.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Rohwedder to close the public hearing at 9:20 a.m. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Oswald aye, Eaken aye, Manternach aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eaken seconded by Zirkelbach to approve the plans, specifications, form of contract, and cost estimate for a window replacement project at the Courthouse. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eaken seconded by Rohwedder to open bids at 9:21 a.m. for the window replacement project at the Courthouse. All aye. Motion carried.

Bids were received from:

- The Wilson Group, Inc. in the amount of \$476,500 plus \$25,750 for alternate #1, \$10,100 for alternate #2, and \$6,400 for alternate #3.
- Tricon General Construction in the amount of \$585,000 plus \$22,000 for alternate #1, \$6,550 for alternate #2, and \$3,750.
- Peak Construction Group, Inc. in the amount of \$715,000 plus \$26,900 for alternate #1, \$8,600 for alternate #2, and \$4,900 for alternate #3.

Moved by Eaken seconded by Zirkelbach to award the bid for the project at the January 14, 2020 meeting, as originally scheduled, to allow time for the project engineer to review the bid documents and make a recommendation for award of the bid. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Eaken to open a public hearing at 9:35 a.m. to review violations of the Jones County Nuisance Ordinance on property located at 8346 Slide Rock Rd., Anamosa, and owned by Paul and Roxanne Rundle. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Oswald aye, Eaken aye, Manternach aye. Motion carried.

The Land Use Administrator provided details regarding the ordinance violation and noted that the property owner was notified by telephone and by mail, and that notice of the public hearing was published in the two official county newspapers the week of December 25, 2019.

Property owner Paul Rundle and his son-in-law Heath VanDeest, along with neighbors Michael and Mary Neiers and Gerdes Mobile Home Court owner Garrett Gerdes, were present at the meeting to offer comments regarding the nuisance.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Rohwedder to close the public hearing at 10:00 a.m. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Oswald aye, Eaken aye, Manternach aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Eaken to allow Paul and Roxanne Rundle, the owners of the property located at 8346 Slide Rock Rd., Anamosa in Section 25 of Fairview Township, to have until February 11, 2020 to abate the nuisance or the County will proceed with filing a civil citation pursuant to Section 8, of Article II, of the Jones County Nuisance Ordinance. All aye. Motion carried.

The Land Use Administrator met with the Board to present the 2020 Construction Evaluation Resolution for confinement animal feeding operations for consideration.

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

CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION RESOLUTION 2020

WHEREAS, Iowa Code section 459.304(3) sets out the procedure if a board of supervisors wishes to adopt a “construction evaluation resolution” relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution can submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) an adopted recommendation to approve or disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution and submitted an adopted recommendation may contest the DNR’s decision regarding a specific application; and

WHEREAS, by adopting a construction evaluation resolution the board of supervisors agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operation structure received by the board of supervisors between February 1, 2020 and January 31, 2021 and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR; and

WHEREAS, the board of supervisors must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix created in Iowa Code section 459.305, but the board’s recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF JONES COUNTY that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this construction evaluation resolution pursuant to Iowa Code section 459.304(3).

The Attorney, Engineer, and Sheriff met with the Board to discuss the January 9, 2020 agenda and meeting format for the January 9, 2020 public hearing regarding the possible closure of the intersection of Old Dubuque Rd. and U.S. Highway 151 to address safety concerns. The group recommended the formation of a committee of county and city personnel to format a conceptual plan to move forward with options to consider to eventually close the intersection and provide alternate routes to access the area. Matt Behrends, representing the Anamosa Development Corporation, also participated in the discussion.

The Engineer provided an update on the Shaw Rd. grading and resurfacing project and Lead Mine Rd. right of way negotiations. Board members shared citizen concerns regarding the condition of Lily Rd. and 215th Ave. south of U.S. Highway 151.

Jennifer Husmann and the Sheriff, representing the Jones County Safe & Healthy Youth Coalition, met with the Board to provide an update on the youth coalition substance abuse prevention and education program and to request funding in the County's FY21 budget.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Oswald to go into closed session at 10:37 a.m. per Iowa Code Section 20.17 (3) to discuss strategy for public employment relations matters. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Oswald aye, Eaken aye, Manternach aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Eaken to exit closed session at 11:25 a.m. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Oswald aye, Eaken aye, Manternach aye. Motion carried.

The Board made available the County's initial contract proposal to be presented to P.P.M.E. Local 2003 for the collective bargaining agreement to be effective July 1, 2020, noting that contract negotiations commenced at 11:00 a.m. on January 7, 2020. The initial contract proposal from P.P.M.E. Local 2003 was also made available.

Supervisor Zirkelbach provided an update on the condition of the roof on Memorial Hall in Wyoming and encouraged the other Board members to view the condition of the roof.

The Auditor provided the draft of a notice required by Senate File 634 if the Board were to propose an increase in property taxes that may be greater than two percent above the County's FY20 property taxes. In the draft notice the Auditor reflected the FY21 General Fund and Rural Services Fund tax levy rates to be equal to the FY20 rates, however due to the increase in taxable valuations for FY21 budgets the property tax dollars levied would be greater than a two percent increase.

The Board members reported on recent and upcoming committee meetings.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Rohwedder to adjourn at 11:50 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Attest: Janine Sulzner, Auditor

Wayne Manternach, Chairman

Auditor's Note: Prior to the meeting, the Board of Supervisors and other elected county officials and department heads met informally with State Representative Andy McKean to discuss legislative matters of importance to county operations.