

December 22, 2020 9:00 a.m.

The Jones County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Present Chairman Manternach (by remote connection), Supervisors Eaken (as indicated), Oswald, Rohwedder, and Zirkelbach.

Meeting access is available via limited in-person presence, electronic video and audio streaming via remote meeting software, and audio only access available by telephone.

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Oswald to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2020 meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to approve claims #2012-0144 through #2012-0352. All aye. Motion carried.

The Emergency Management Coordinator, Public Health Coordinator, and Public Health Preparedness Specialist met with the Board to provide an update on emergency preparedness activities to address the COVID-19 public health emergency. The Emergency Management Coordinator reported on delivery and storage of personal protective equipment for long term care providers and emergency medical responders. The Public Health Coordinator provided an update on the number of active COVID-19 cases, and COVID-19 hospitalizations and related deaths in the County. The Public Health Preparedness Specialist provided an update on COVID-19 vaccine distribution plans.

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Oswald to re-appoint Gary Stolte to the Olin Benefited Fire District Board for a term of three years. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to approve an amended Employer of Record contract with Cedar/Jones Early Childhood Iowa Board, providing for the addition of fiscal agent services for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. All aye. Motion carried. [2020-151]

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Oswald to open the public hearing at 9:16 a.m., as required by Iowa Code section 331.434(6), on the matter of proposed reductions to fiscal year 2021 departmental appropriations which are in excess of 10% or \$5,000 (whichever is greater) of the original appropriation for the following department:

Wapsipinicon Trail Project - the original fiscal year appropriation was \$512,820, the proposed reduction is \$300,000 (to reflect the delay in construction of phase 2 of the trail project to later in fiscal year 2021 and into fiscal year 2022).

On roll call vote: Oswald aye, Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Manternach aye. Motion carried.

The Auditor provided a summary of the proposed appropriation adjustment, noting this adjustment will allow for an appropriation to be established for the Conservation Department to begin expending insurance proceeds to address the damages at Central Park from the August 10, 2020 derecho.

Five citizens were physically present for the hearing. However, an unknown number of persons were viewing the hearing remotely by internet or audio access. No objections to, nor comments in favor of, the proposed departmental adjustment was received.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Rohwedder to close the public hearing 9:17 a.m. On roll call vote: Oswald aye, Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Manternach aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Zirkelbach introduced the following APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION 2020/2021-02 and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Oswald. On roll call vote: Oswald aye, Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Manternach aye, whereupon the Chairman declared the resolution passed and adopted.

APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION 2020/2021-02

BE IT RESOLVED by the Jones County Board of Supervisors that the following changes in departmental spending appropriations for fiscal year 2020/2021 be adopted:

35 Conservation Capital Improvements	increase by	\$300,000	from	\$0	to	\$300,000
Special Purpose						
93 Wapsipinicon Trail Project	decrease by	\$300,000	from	\$512,820	to	\$212,820

The Auditor provided a brief review of the Jones County Property Valuation Report for 2020 taxable values to be used for the FY22 budgets of all the taxing entities in Jones County, noting a 3.0% county-wide increase in taxable value.

Tracey Achenbach, East Central Iowa Housing Trust Fund met with the Board to provide an update on the housing program, the availability of grant funds to low income homeowners for home repairs, and to request county funding in FY22 to assist with the local match necessary to receive state and federal housing grants.

Supervisor Eaken arrived (by remote participation) at 9:28 a.m.

The Engineer and Assistant to the Engineer met with the Board for the bid opening for the Lead Mine Rd. grading project; to provide on update on the truck bid opening at the December 29, 2020 meeting; the status of bidding for two trucks being sold via an on-line auction site; to provide an update on filling a motor grader operator vacancy; and provided information on how to obtain driveway permit applications.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to open bids at 9:32 a.m. for project No. L-C-855—73-53, a grading and reinforced concrete box culvert replacement project on Lead Mine Rd. in Section 13 of Fairview Township and Section 18 of Jackson Township. All aye. Motion carried.

Bids were received from:

- Boomerang Corp. in the amount of \$787,245.85
- C.J. Moyna & Sons, LLC in the amount of \$932,475.40
- Kueter Equipment Company in the amount of \$926,453.15
- S2 Construction, LLC in the amount of \$1,114,299.70
- Steger Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$784,805.13
- JB Holland Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$900,206.63
- B & J Hauling and Excavation, Inc. in the amount of \$763,230.56
- Top Grade Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$1,032,522.50

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Oswald to table action to award the bid for project No. L-C-855—73-53, a grading and reinforced concrete box culvert replacement project on Lead Mine Rd. in Section 13 of Fairview Township and Section 18 of Jackson Township, until the December 29, 2020 meeting to allow time for the Engineer to review the bid documents and make a recommendation for award of the bid. All aye. Motion carried.

The Attorney provided an update on the County's involvement with litigation against some prescription opioid distributors and manufacturers.

Moved by Eaken seconded by Oswald to adjourn at 9:58 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Attest: Janine Sulzner, Auditor

Wayne Manternach, Chairman