

December 28, 2021 9:00 a.m.

The Jones County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Present Chairman Oswald, Supervisors Swisher, Rohwedder and Zirkelbach. Absent Supervisor Schlarmann.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Rohwedder to approve the minutes of the regular December 21, 2021 meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Swisher to approve the payroll for the period ending December 19, 2021, as certified by the department heads. All aye. Motion carried.

The Public Health Director met with the Board to give an update on the COVID-19 public health emergency and to give an update on the hiring process of the public health director and community health assistant.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Swisher to make of record the appointment of Jess Wiedenhoff as Public Health Director at \$30.00/hour, effective December 28, 2021. All aye. Motion carried.

The Veteran Affairs Administrator met with the Board to present and discuss the FY23 budget.

The Land Use Administrator met with the Board to discuss ongoing nuisance violations at 23325 Washington St., Anamosa, 9073 Co. Rd. E45, Wyoming, 21726 Co. Rd. E34, Anamosa, 13423 Amber Rd. X44, Anamosa, and 15518 E23 Co. Home Rd., Anamosa.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Zirkelbach to accept bids until 9:30 a.m. on January 18, 2022 for clean-up of a property located at 23325 Washington St., Anamosa, in relation to a violation of the Jones County Nuisance Ordinance. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Zirkelbach to set a public hearing at 9:30 a.m. on January 18, 2022 to review violations of the Jones County Nuisance Ordinance on property owned by Annette Bartram at 9073 Co. Rd. E45, Wyoming. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Rohwedder to set a public hearing at 9:30 a.m. on January 18, 2022 to review violations of the Jones County Nuisance Ordinance on property owned by Michael Rundle and Haley Raplinger at 21726 Co. Rd. E34 Anamosa. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Rohwedder to abate nuisance at 13423 Amber Rd. X44, Anamosa citing that the property has been cleaned up, but the concrete needs to be removed yet. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Swisher to abate nuisance at 15518 E23 Co Home Rd., Anamosa citing that the building has repaired. Ayes: Swisher, Rohwedder, Oswald. Abstained: Zirkelbach. Motion carried.

The Auditor met with the Board for the final reading of EMS as an Essential Service Resolution and to discuss the OSHA mandate on COVID vaccines and testing.

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

RESOLUTION

A resolution by Jones County, Iowa, to declare emergency medical services (EMS) to be an essential county service as authorized by Iowa Code Section 422D.1.

WHEREAS, Jones County, Iowa supports EMS to its residents.

WHEREAS, the Jones County Board of Supervisors recognizes the importance of maintaining and advancing Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in Jones County.

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2021, Iowa Senate File 615 was signed into law by Governor Reynolds, giving Iowa Counties the power to declare EMS as an essential service for their respective county, thereby making it possible for counties to propose additional funding sources for EMS to the voters at election and to allow the creation of a county emergency medical services system advisory council to assist in researching and assessing the service needs of the county and guiding implementation of the same.

WHEREAS, Jones County Board of Supervisors, on October 13, 2021, directed that notice of the first meeting to consider this resolution be made and any other actions be taken as necessary to proceed with the process under Iowa Code Section 422D.1 to declare EMS to be an essential county service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Jones County, Iowa, hereby declares emergency medical services to be an essential county service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that adoption of this resolution will allow 1) For an election to be offered for voter approval of an ad valorem property tax not to exceed seventy-five cents per one thousand dollars of assessed value for EMS or local option income surtax and 2) The creation of a county emergency medical services system advisory council to assist in researching and assessing the service needs of the county and guide implementation of the same under Iowa Code Section 422D.1. [2021-174]

The Auditor, County Attorney and Board members discussed OSHA's COVID vaccine and testing mandate. The Supreme Court will be reviewing the mandate on January 7, 2022. The Board consensus was to not adopt a policy in relation to this until after January 7, 2022.

Moved by Zirkelbach to direct department heads to gather vaccination status information from employees and to get said information to the HIPPA Coordinator so that the Board will have vaccination information if needed. Motion died for lack of a second.

The County Attorney met with the Board to discuss the land exchange between the County and Virgil and Rhonda Weers and the need for a public hearing pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 331.361.

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Swisher to set a public hearing on a proposed exchange of land in Section 36 of Wayne Township, with Virgil and Rhonda Weers, on January 18, 2022 at 9:15 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

The Engineer and Assistant to the Engineer met with the Board to discuss land acquisition negotiations for the Buffalo Road project and to discuss the hiring of a new Maintenance Man I.

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Swisher to authorize the chairman to sign a partial acquisition contract with Gregory L. and Nancy K. Norlin for 0.01 +/- acres in the amount of \$122 plus \$100 abstracting for a total of \$222 for project number L-C-927—73-53. All aye. Motion carried. [2021-175]

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Rohwedder to approve a partial acquisition amount of \$6,800 to David Fitkin as recommended by the appraisal report for 1/500 of an acre which includes a ground retaining wall, tree damages, and an easement for project number L-C-927—73-53. All aye. Motion carried.

There were no committee reports.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Zirkelbach to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m. All aye.
Motion carried.

Attest: Whitney Hein, Auditor

Joe Oswald, Chairman