

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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September 13, 2021

The Jefferson County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday September 13, 2021. Present were Commissioners Richard Malm, Lynn Luck, David Christy and County Clerk Linda Buttron. County Counselor Josh Ney was also present.

Vouchers were reviewed and approved by the Counselor and the Board. David moved that the minutes of August 30 be approved as presented. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Richard moved that the minutes of August 23 be amended (in the paragraph regarding Russ Jobbins), to change the word “zoning regulations” to “subdivision regulations” and to strike the wording “the moratorium regarding the right of way easement to take effect” and replace with “his Ag Lot Split application to be approved” and “tomorrow but not more than a week”. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Richard moved that the 2022 Blue Cross Blue Shield rates be accepted as presented. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Blue Cross Blue Shield rate sheets were signed for the 2022 plan year. The health insurance premiums will increase by approximately 2%.

Ben Domann, Public Works Director met with the Board. Ben discussed updating the plumbing in the courthouse using ARPA funds. To start with, the sinks in the courthouse need repair. He will get an estimate and return to the Board for a decision. He said that the work on the intersection where Resolution 2021-020 authorized stop signs (on Blue Mound road) will be completed by the end of today. Low water crossing projects have started. He discussed a water line that was encountered on the project. The water line was not identified on One-Call. Ben discussed disposing of the truck that was discussed in a previous meeting. He has done all of the steps in the Disposal of Surplus Property policy and has an internal offer from an employee for \$2500. He will bring paperwork back to the Board for review.

Treasurer Lisa Buerman asked the Board to consider adoption of Resolution 2021-024 to add a signer to the banking agreement for the Municipal Investment Pool.

Richard moved that Resolution 2021-024 be approved as presented. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. She also asked for publication of Lot 507 Lakewood Hills for sale. Richard moved that Lot 507 be published for sale and a minimum bid set at \$300. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

James Tweed Emergency Services Director discussed remounting a 2009 Chevy Ambulance. He will provide pricing when it is received.

Chris Schmeissner GIS/IT Director discussed the security systems being proposed for the Public Works buildings. He has received proposals from two entities. Kenton Brothers proposed \$44,950. INA Alert proposed \$40,746. Chris is recommending the proposal from Kenton Brothers as they manage our current system. The Board will take the matter under consideration.

Kelly Woodward, Community Development Director met with the Board. She presented special event permit applications. Grinder Nationals Bike Race-Lynn moved that the application be approved. Richard seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Silos Haunt-Richard moved that the application be approved. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Dirt Road Junk Fest-Richard moved that the application be approved. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Kelly reported she has received an application for the Planning Commission. Tiffany Asher has applied. The Board recommended that she take the applicant information to the Planning Commission. Kelly presented an email from the Air National Guard Bureau regarding realignment of the route that their planes use for training. The Soldier Creek Wind Project is creating the need to realign the routes.

Linda gave Crystal's report on COVID statistics for the last two-week period. There have been 141 new cases in the last two weeks. There have been a total of 1070 tests, up 33 from last period. Jefferson County is at 11.8% positive. With regard to hospital capacity, there are 22 ICU beds available in our area and 72 ventilators. There have been 39 cases of the Delta variant, 4 of the Brazil variant, 3 of the California variant and 9 of the UK variant.

Richard moved that the Board approve Resolution 2021-03 transferring \$100,000 from Ambulance to Ambulance Capital Outlay. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

At 1:30 p.m. a public hearing was opened for consideration of the update to the Douglas/Jefferson Solid Waste Management plan. The chair asked for public comment. No comment was heard. The chair closed the public hearing. Richard moved that Resolution 2021-022 be adopted regarding the update. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Kelly Woodward, Community Development Director presented zoning cases to the Board for consideration. Richard moved that the Board recess into executive session to discuss matters of attorney client privilege regarding possible litigation with Kelly present as part of the collective client until 1:40 p.m. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 1:37 p.m. Present during the session were Kelly, Josh and the Board. The Board announced at 1:40 p.m. that the session would be extended for three minutes. The Board reconvened at 1:43 p.m. the chair announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

A request to consider a preliminary and final plat of Anderson Acres located at 16946 13th street, Lawrence. (PR2021-06 and Z2021-10) at the request of Marion Anderson. A representative of the applicant was present for the meeting. Lynn moved that the Board approve rezoning application Z2021-10 and preliminary/final plat application PR2021-06 for a 2-lot subdivision (Anderson Acres) as presented, also approving the rule exception request pertaining to perimeter side utility easement and accepting the dedication of 30' right of way and easements. Richard seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Richard moved that Zoning Resolution Z2021-010 be signed. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

A request to consider a Conditional Use application for a rock quarry at an existing commercial site located on the west side of US 59 highway between Fairview Rd and McCall Dr. the request being made by King's Construction, Oskaloosa. Richard moved that the case be tabled until the reclamation plan is provided in writing. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Rodney Gilbert, Oskaloosa discussed a problem with the neighbor's dogs running loose on his property. He lives on McCall Drive north of Oskaloosa. He would like to see some sort of animal control or nuisance laws. The dogs are half Pyrenees and half Greyhound. Josh addressed legal avenues for the issue. The Board asked Community Development to research what surrounding counties are doing to control dogs. Josh encouraged Mr. Gilbert to come and talk to him regarding possible legal avenues for resolution of the issue.

Denise Eggers, Rural Water District #12 met with the Board. She made a request for ARPA funding earlier this summer. Board member Bernie Allen was also present. Denise presented a request for ARPA funding in the amount of \$295,798.00. The Board indicated that most of the money has been allocated to County department projects but if there are funds left their request would be considered.

There being no further business to come before the Board they adjourned to meet in regular session on September 20, 2021.