

Floyd County Board of Supervisors Meeting
January 11, 2021, 9:00 AM

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

The Floyd County Board of Supervisors met in the Assembly Room of the Floyd County Courthouse with the following in attendance: Supv Linda Tjaden, Supv Doug Kamm, and Supv Roy Schwickerath.

Kamm/Schwickerath moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Public comment: No comments were made.

Updates on various boards/commissions/activities: Supv Kamm attended an Area Development Corp meeting. Supv Schwickerath attended a Conservation Board meeting. Supv Tjaden attended the following meetings: Department Head, Owner-Architect-Contractor, Core Team, and has been working with Emergency Management interviews and has been working with the individuals regarding the COVID-19 vaccination needs.

Law enforcement center/courthouse project: Brian Shindelar, Samuels Group Site Superintendent, provided contractor updates: Dean Snyder is working on exterior door hardware and will be walking around to measure up openings for courthouse to atrium access; Young Plumbing is working on heating lines, plumbing, and hope to get water turned on in the main building today; Young Heating is working on duct work; Paulson Electric is working on pulling wire and getting ready to turn power on in the north half of the new building; Rusty Berger is cleaning floors before getting sealed; Prowall continues with drywall and framing firewalls; Jennings Painting is finishing painting in the Sheriff's office area and working their way into other areas; Zephyr Aluminum is putting in window frames; Continental Fire is working on rough-ins behind the cells; and Owner-Architect-Contractor meeting was on Thursday and OSHA meeting was on Friday. The following PCOs were discussed: PCO #49 Salt Guard & Salt Grip for \$492; PCO #45 Wicks Credit for West Parking Lot Modifications for \$2,544; PCO #47 Roofing/Building Tie In for \$1,137.75; PCO #48 Roof Hatch Access for \$11,728.05; PCO #38 was approved at a prior meeting; PCO #42 HVAC Clarifications for \$2,177.94 replaces PCO #20 which will be eliminated; PCO #9 Hard Lid Ceiling for \$200 credit that was being held as more credit was expected but that is not the case; PCO #43 Add'l Electrical Kitchen Changes for \$1,441.26; PCO #44 was approved as a change order at a prior meeting before a PCO was generated; PCO #18 for Clear Story EIFS Modifications must be in the architect's court. Pay ap #14 was reviewed.

Amy Staudt and Kelsey Uetz, Floyd County Fair Society representatives, presented a FY22 budget request for an additional \$50,000 above the current \$10,000 annual funding and \$12,000 rent for the dump site. Projects include sidewalks, landscaping, tile issues and a new building. The Fair has experienced loss of revenues due to cancellations and grant opportunities. The increase in county financial support would also aid in future county use of the site for elections, vaccination site and other purposes.

Maria Boyd, Healthy Harvest of North Iowa Executive Director, presented a FY22 budget request for \$2,750. Boyd provided information on local food resources during COVID, highlights of 2020, and plans for 2021 in Floyd County and northeast Iowa.

Pam Ost, The Learning Center (TLC) Director, presented a FY22 budget request for \$150,000 or whatever the County could provide for support for the expansion and relocation for the non-profit community childcare center. Ost reviewed children and staff statistics for the center, including operations during COVID. Information on the relocation to the 1970s addition to 500 N Grand, anticipated to be in September 2021, financial support for the venture and opportunity for growth.

Dean Andrews and Ralph Smith, Save the Depot representatives, presented a FY22 budget request for \$25,000. Andrews explained that the Canadian Pacific Railroad no longer wants the Milwaukee Road rail depot but are considering some financial or in kind support to relocate the structure. The cost to move the building is \$175,000 and funds will also be needed for foundation, connecting to city services and repurposing the building, bringing the total cost to \$300-350,000.

The Board conducted FY22 budget reviews for the following departments: Conservation, Conservation Reserve, REAP, Weed Commission, Attorney, General Assistance, Mental Health/County Social Services, and Sheriff.

The Board took recessed at 12:05 p.m. for five minutes.

COVID-19: 1) Auditor Carr reported that there are 1,344 total cases, 36 deaths and the positivity rate is 14.2%, and 1,179 recovered cases; 2) Supv Tjaden reported that at yesterday's department head meeting, all reported that they feel they are managing COVID prevention and none felt the need to change anything in the courthouse. 3) In regard to the county's Action Plan which addresses December 31, 2020 extended FMLA leave entitlement, Carr provided a US Dept of Labor handout that reads that the Act did not extend employees' entitlement to leave beyond December 31, meaning employers will no longer be legally required to provide such leave. The Board reviewed how reported counties are handling extensions for COVID-related absences, some extending, some not. Supv Tjaden and Auditor Carr have a call with an Ahlers Cooney attorney today and will seek advice.

The Board discussed a resolution request from the City of Charles City to allow an additional 5-year extension on the total tax incremental collections for a total life of 16 years in order for the city to have enough revenue to pay an upfront loan for eight new homes.

The Board discussed filling the Recorder position, expiring January 31. Discussion included a 14-day publication notice required prior to Board taking to fill the position, signature requirements to petition for a special election, potentially holding a special meeting on February 1 and a draft notice for potential action at tomorrow's meeting.

The Board discussed appointments to Magistrate Appointing Commission and Drainage District #1 Reclassification Commissions.

Future agenda items: nothing discussed.

Schwickerath/Kamm moved to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST: _____
Gloria A. Carr
Floyd County Auditor

Linda Tjaden, Chair
Floyd County Board of Supervisors