

Floyd County Board of Supervisors Meeting  
May 24, 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: None.

Updates on various boards/commissions/activities: Supv Kamm attended the following meetings: Board of Health, Airport Authority and Landfill. Supv Tjaden attended the following meetings: Owner-Architect-Contractor, Main St, Risk Management, Joint Entity, Decat Governance Board and Chamber of Commerce. Supvs Schwickerath and Tjaden attended the Employee Group meeting. Supvs Tjaden presented and Kamm attended the State Appeal Protest hearing.

The Board will review claims individually. Supv Tjaden commented on the purchase of monitors.

Law enforcement center/courthouse project: Brian Shindelar, Samuels Group Site Superintendent, provided contractor updates: Dean Snyder is working on Dean Snyder is waiting on more casework and putting brackets in closets; Young Plumbing is switching out heaters in the garages that were mismarked and will be starting demolition in the courthouse; Young Heating is finishing up the kitchen and laundry room; Paulsen switched over new power to the courthouse; Communion Innovators is finishing up testing doors, installing cameras and may start training this week; Schindler Elevator is setting up door frames and installing boxes for buttons; G&R Construction is cutting boarders, putting in tile and finishing ceilings; Continental Fire is working on finishing heads in day rooms and will start testing the system this week; Wicks Construction will be finishing pouring the parking lot, will be ceiling the parking lot this week; and cracks will be taking care of during the punch list process; ProWall is working on EIFS in the lobby; Encartele is onsite putting in brackets for TVs; Sweeper needs to respond to several items. There is an Owner-Architect-Contractor meeting today. Supv Tjaden commented that Change Order #8 Sweeper Metal Fabricators is a deduct for \$500 and Change Order5 #21 for Dean Snyder Construction is an increase for \$500, causing a net zero impact on the budget. There is no news on potential additional deduction for the garage paint. The electrician's specifications and drawings provide for hook up to emergency power but was not identified in the elevator specifications; Bill Huey, Prochaska rep, commented to install now would cost around \$3,400 for one elevator and to do it later would cost approximately \$15,000 to reprogram, test, permit and inspect the elevator. Supv Schwickerath would like to know jail industry standards, requirement by state, and if using stairwells is a viable alternate. Auditor Carr reported checking with four scrap metal buyers, three responded, and Tynan Scrap was the best option; Shindelar will contact Tynan when needed. A quote for Precision Facility Solutions to do system commissioning came in \$34,000, originally estimated at \$25,000 by Prochaska; Huey commented that Prochaska staff does commissioning but not on their project and reported that the \$34,000 price is reasonable, but the county would prefer additional quotes if possible.

Bernie Solomon, IT Director, presented information on switching from Webex to Zoom for virtual meeting options. A license would be \$199 per year for small meeting business license, providing for up to 300 participants. A Zoom Room license is \$499 per year per license. A pro version cost \$149 and offers meetings up to 100 participants for 30 hours. The consensus is to transition to Zoom small business license and expand later if deemed necessary.

Kristi Harshbarger, ISAC General Counsel, conducted Open Meetings and Public Records training. This training is conducted in part of an Informal Resolution, 20FC:0128 to Iowa Public Information Board (IPIB) complaint made by Mark Kuhn. Other in-person attendees present were County Treasurer and our Public Health Director and electronic participants included the County Recorder, Emergency Management director, and representation from other boards/commissions including Hospital Trustees, Veterans Affairs, Area Development Corp, Aviation Authority, Zoning Commission, Conservation, Compensation Board, a Township Trustee, and a couple of unidentified participants. Due to an internet disruption toward the end of the presentation, Supv Tjaden reviewed Harshbarger's last two screens provided which were Q & A and contact information.

Gail Arjes, Public Health Director, and the Board discussion COVID-19 related topics included: 1) Masks - Arjes suggested signage for masks to be recommended for those who have not been fully vaccinated and Supv Schwickerath recommended making reference to following requirements for each office; 2) Screening - the

screening of employees and visitors is no longer necessary; 3) Infectious Disease Action Plan - references to COVID-19 were removed to allow the plan to cover any declared infectious disease situation; 4) Drinking fountains – Arjes does not recommend this yet because of the number of active cases and not having the number of people vaccinated as public health would like to see; 5) Public Health update - Arjes will provide information to send to employees about opportunities to get vaccinated; new guidelines regarding agencies ordering vaccine doses have changed; the office is not receiving calls from parents requesting children to be vaccinated.

The Board reviewed a draft of a Board Meeting Policy. This document is in response to the Informal Resolution, 20FC:0128 IPIB complaint.

The Board reviewed the American Rescue Plan grant application and discussed options to set up for the revenue and expenses: 1) using project codes in the General Basic Fund, 2) setting up a sub-fund of the General Basic Fund, 3) setting up a special revenue fund. Discussion also included establishing a committee to start talking about ideas on how to use the funds.

The Board discussed appointments to various board where terms are ending June 30, 2021. Supv Kamm will follow up with Kalen Schlader serving on the Comp Board. Supv Tjaden will visit with Cheryl Erb and the Veteran Affairs director regarding the commission’s recommendation for one appointment expiring. Supv Schwickerath will reach out to Heidi Worrall for Civil Service Commission and a replacement for Joel Cannon’s position on the Conservation Board. The Board also discussed vacancies to fill on the Compensation Condemnation Board.

The Board noted that April Watenphul will be transitioning from Lead Jailer to Administrative Assistant at \$20.26 per hour and Caitlyn Patrie will be transitioning from Jailer to Lead Jailer at \$18.40 per hour.

The Board noted Auditor Carr’s quote for a secure camera to be located over the election drop box in the new atrium. Carr reported that a Help America Vote Act Cyber Grant will cover the cost.

Future agenda items: North Iowa Disaster Recovery Commission; Infectious Disease Action Plan update; American Rescue Plan guidance and planning committee, Infrastructure Assistance Request, legislative changes regarding EMS fund and mental health funding, legislative changes to backfill, and appointments to various boards/commissions and vacancies on Compensation Condemnation Board.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Gloria A. Carr  
Floyd County Auditor

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Linda Tjaden, Chair  
Floyd County Board of Supervisors