

Floyd County Board of Supervisors Meeting  
August 9, 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 Schwickerath attended County Social Services, Conservation, and Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center meetings. Supv Tjaden attended Department Head and LEC/Courthouse Owner-Architect-Contractor meetings.

The Board will review claims individually.

Law enforcement center/courthouse project: Brian Shindelar, Samuels Group Site Superintendent, provided contractor updates: Dean Snyder is working on case work for booking area and fixing problem with the pit-proof caulk; Paulsen Electric is working on lights and fans in the lobby; TriCity Electric is working on data cable for EOC, reception, lobby and visitation; G & R Construction is working on dropped all ceiling tiles; Prowall is working on bullet resistant paneling. Supv Tjaden questioned paint flaking; Shindelar mentioned this is still being worked on what needs to be done. Auditor Carr reported on the third time since the project started that the south drain has plugged causing water to run in on ground floor; Mick Gage Plumbing has been contacted to scope the issue. Potential Change Orders were discussed including, PCO #88 Evidence Locker Bulkhead for \$841.52 and PCO #89 Swivel Stool and Shelf for \$2,300.10; Tim Nordlund, Samuels Group Project Manager will add the reason for the PCO on each "reason for change" field. Pay Ap #21 for \$205,334.39 was reviewed.

Auditor Carr provided a summary of information gathered from Iowa Code and conversations with Secretary of State counsel and Assistant County Attorney Randy Tilton regarding the temporary redistricting commission process for Plan three supervisor representation. The Board appoints a three-, five-, or seven-member commission in a public meeting. Supvs Tjaden and Kamm, representing two Republican party supervisors will appoint two, three or four members and Supv Schwickerath, representing the Democrat party supervisor, will appoint the remaining, respective to the size of the commission; appointments are certified to the county commissioner of elections. Tilton advised that the Supvs Tjaden and Kamm could exchange names of potential appointments, recommend they not meet but rather be transparent so as to not violate Open Meetings Law. Tilton is seeking advice from the Attorney General's office regarding conflicting dates, November 1 and February 15, in Iowa Code chapters 331.207 and 331.209 as to when the plan is to be completed. Carr reported that Secretary of State counsel advised that due to COVID, the 2020 federal census results have been delayed causing issues with the timeline for the state to draw senate and house representative boundaries prior to pushing those boundaries to county commissions to use when drawing voting precinct lines by the November 1 deadline. The state will provide an online tool where the commission will have access to play around with populations in townships and cities to draw voting precinct boundaries. The process includes the local commission developing a plan to present at public hearing(s), their approved plan to the supervisors and when a plan is approved by the supervisors, it is filed with the state commissioner of elections who engages the ethics board, and if approved, engages the legislative counsel to have the legislative services agency draw the supervisor district boundaries with a plan then being approved by the supervisors. The supervisors set a per diem for commissioners and pay mileage and expenses. Carr suggested that if the board decides not to take action at tomorrow's meeting on the number of commissioners to serve and the per diem that they plan to do so at the meeting in two weeks, along with have appointments certified so when state boundaries are established the commission is ready to go.

The Board discussed the Local Option Sales and Service Tax ballot issue for the November 2 ballot. Mark Kuhn questioned if the board had considered using the tax for any property tax relief. Discussion included concern that if the tax is not used for 100% for Secondary Roads that it may not pass and if it failed, a special election could be held next year to try again. Kuhn also suggested wording be changed to make it clear that construction projects is intended for Secondary Roads and not other county construction projects.

The Board noted the resignation of Katie Syhlman, Dispatcher, effective August 16. The position has been posted with applications due this Friday.

The Board discussed whether or not fund \$500 to Central Iowa Tourism. The Chamber of Commerce will no longer be funding this entity and have other means to getting resources to other communities. Supv Kamm reported that he has discussed this with the Conservation Director who spoke with Heidi Reams, the county's tourism representative, who has no issues with not funding Central Iowa Tourism. The consensus of the Board was to discontinue county funding so no claim will be issued.

Future agenda items: Compensation Condemnation vacancies.

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