

## WAPELLO COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS

DATE: 1-8-2019

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Jerry Parker, Chair; Brian Morgan, Vice Chair; Wayne Huit, Supervisor; Kelly Spurgeon, Auditor; Mark A Bishop, Kirksville Mayor; Bernard Stodghill; Jeff Layton, WCSO; Greg Guter; Chris Shadduck, WCSO; Andrea McDowell; Randy Reed; Paul Culver, IT; Lisa Kent, Recorder; Keith & Trudy Caviness; Cheryl Talbert, Sonja Ferrell, Ottumwa Public Library; Asia Mitchell-Tabb, KTVO; Aaryn Frazier, Ottumwa Radio; Laurie Fountain, Treasurer; Don Phillips, WCSO; Mark Newman, Ottumwa Courier.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to approve the minutes of the January 2, 2019 Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Supervisor Huit moved, seconded by Vice Chair Morgan to approve Resolution 6-2019 to abate property taxes owned by the City of Ottumwa and sold to Pam Martin. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to approve Resolution 7-2019 to abate property taxes for Southern Iowa Mental Health Center, an exempt organization. Motion carried.

Supervisor Huit moved, seconded by Vice Chair Morgan to accept & file the resignation from Sheriff Mark Miller effective January 1, 2019. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to set March 5, 2019 for the Special Election for County Sheriff Vacancy. Motion carried. Vice Chair Morgan stated it was nice to see so many candidates interested in the position. Chair Parker believes we need to give the people of Wapello County the opportunity on who gets elected for that position. Andrea McDowell stated she was not in favor of an election as the county can't afford it and that the money should be spent on roads. She also stated that Don Phillips was 2<sup>nd</sup> in charge and most qualified. Chair Parker stated the money that is spent for an election could not be used for road use projects. Vice Chair Morgan stated that from the get go he received calls in support of Phillips and also received calls supporting other candidates.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to purchase new computer hardware for the County Attorney Office in the amount of \$7660.75. Motion carried.

Sonja Ferrell with Ottumwa Public Library and Cheryl Talbert with Blakesburg Public Library gave a presentation to the Board on what is offered at the surrounding libraries and they thanked the board for their past and future contributions to each library. Chair Parker explained that there was a little money available in the youth fund so small projects.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to approve request to hire Stevie Grove, Assistant County Attorney effective 1/2/2019 at \$52,000 per year. Motion carried.

Supervisor Huit moved, seconded by Vice Chair Morgan to approve change of employment for Kristi Goodson from a Clerk I to Clerk II in the Treasurer's Office effective 1/7/2019 at a rate of \$15.00 per hour. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to approve change of employment for Valerie Jasso from Clerk III to Deputy Treasurer effective 1/7/2019 at \$41,301.90. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to accept & file Recorder's Report for Fees Collected 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr. FY 2018-2019. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to accept & file 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr. Report for Sheriff's Office. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to approve request to hire Tanvi Yenna as Victim Witness Coordinator in the County Attorney's Office effective 1-7-19 at \$45,000.00 per year. Motion carried.

Claims for 1/4/19 in the amount of \$468,835.97 and payroll in the amount of \$411,436.07 were approved.

10:19 a.m. Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to adjourn. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Kelly Spurgeon  
Wapello County Auditor

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Jerry L Parker, Chair  
Board of Supervisors