

WAPELLO COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS

3rd Floor Courtroom at Courthouse

DATE: 4-4-2023

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Brian Morgan, Chair; Bryan Ziegler, Vice Chair; Darren Batterson, Supervisor; Kelly Spurgeon, Auditor; Chad Drury, Ottumwa Courier; Jared Hershberger, APEX Clean Energy; Kari Short, Attorney; Reuben Neff, County Attorney; Lisa Kent, Recorder; Travis Kaster, Deputy Assessor; Gary Smith, Assessor; Laurie Fountain, Treasurer; Jerry Shaw; Jeff Skalberg, Engineer; Bob Meyers, Citizen; Willene White, NOEL; Myron Gookin, Chief Judge 8th District; Rick Tebbs, WCCB; Jennifer Runyon, Clerk of Court; Tom Lazio; Peg Lazio; Eric Carlson, SS Drug; John Nicholson, Mahaska Drug; Dan via Zoom; Danielle Weller via Zoom; Cari Nicely via Zoom; droe via Zoom; Mark Hagist via Zoom; mill90 via Zoom; Ashley Evans, JCO via Zoom.

Chair Morgan opened the meeting. Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Ziegler moved, seconded by Supervisor Batterson to approve minutes of March 21, 2023 Board Meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Gary Smith, Wapello County Assessor updated the Board on increase in assessments with residential property stating there was a 23% increase in property value that was across the state. Residents can make an appeal to the Board of Review by April 30, 2023. Forms are available in the Assessor's Office or on their website www.wapellocounty.org or the Department of Managements website www.dom.iow.gov.

PUBLIC HEARING TO ESTABLISH A PAVING DISTRICT – ASHLAND ROAD FROM END OF PAVEMENT TO 70th Ave. Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to open the public hearing. All ayes. Motion carried. There were written comments or verbal comments. Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to close the public hearing. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve Resolution 17-2023 to establish a Paving District – Ashland Road. All ayes. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Ziegler moved, seconded by Supervisor Batterson to set April 18, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. as the date for a public hearing on FY2023-2024 Wapello County Budget. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve Resolution 21-2023 Family Farm Tax Credit. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve Optum Managed Transplant Program through UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company Renewal effective June 1, 2023. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve FY2022 Cost Allocation Plan for DHS. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve fire alarm/lighting upgrade to the elevator at Wapello County Law Center in the amount of \$9,495.00 to be paid out of LOT. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Chair Morgan to table the approval of job description for Bridge Foreman – Secondary Roads until after work sessions. Batterson & Morgan ayes. Ziegler nay. Motion carried.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve purchase of Motor Grader in the amount of \$518,578.00 to be paid FY2024-2025. All ayes. Motion carried.

Myron Gookin addressed the Board on security within Court Services. He is requesting there to be Law Enforcement presence on Court Service days which is held on Monday. Sheriff Phillips stated he has a deputy lined up to be in the Courthouse. Mr. Gookin stated he would make sure the 8th Judicial Courthouse Security Commission begins having meetings.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve purchase of Skid Loader with Grinder attachment for County Conservation. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve Recorder's copier maintenance agreement in the amount of \$255.00. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve copier maintenance contract in Motor Vehicle in the amount of \$542.78. All ayes. Motion carried.

Claims in the amount of \$409,492.00 and payroll in the amount of \$410,655.49 were approved.

10:41 a.m. Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Kelly Spurgeon
Wapello County Auditor

R Brian Morgan, Chair
Board of Supervisors