

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025 10:00 A.M.

The Board met in session at the Linn County Jean Oxley Public Service Center. Present: Chairperson Meisheid, Vice Chairperson Running-Marquardt (via phone) and Supervisor Rogers. Board members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted.

Chairperson Meisheid called the meeting to order.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Rogers to approve minutes of March 19, 2025, as presented.

Erin Erickson, Watershed Coordinator, gave an update from the Maquoketa River Watershed Management Authority.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Meisheid to remove the following from the agenda as the legal notice in the paper was incorrect: Public hearing to determine whether Linn County will vacate right-of-way along a portion of the NE 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 30, T. 85N., R. 07W. of the 5th P.M., Linn County, Iowa described as follows: The NW 475 feet of Cummings Ford Road located in said NE 1/4 NW 1/4. Said vacated area equal to 31,363 sf or 0.72 acres.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Meisheid to open public hearing to determine whether Linn County will vacate right-of-way along a portion of the NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 30, T. 85N., R. 07W. of the 5th P.M., Linn County, Iowa described as follows: All of Cummings Ford Road located in said NW 1/4 NW 1/4. Said vacated area equal to 19,438 sf or 0.45 acres.

Proof of publication was presented.

Curt Logan, Asst. Co. Engineer, stated that they have not received any oral or written objections.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Meisheid to close public hearing.

Charlie Nichols, Planning & Development Dir., presented proposed amendments to the Governing Plan for Dows Farm Agri-Community as requested by the developer as follows:

- Minor Changes Definition - (low impact)
- Farm Operations Guidelines - (low impact)
- Farm Architectural Standards - (low impact)
- Roof Pitch – (high impact)
- Development Architectural Standards Siding – (high impact)
- Development Architectural Standards Street Facing Façade Width– (low impact)
- Development Architectural Standards Overhang Minimums – (low impact)
- Enclosed Storage Requirements (low impact)
- Maximum Depth Apt. Building – (low impact)
- Minimum Patio Apt. Requirements – (medium impact)
- Minimum Private Rear Patio Requirements – (medium impact)
- Maximum Garage Width - (low impact)
- 55+ Community – (low impact)
- Ornamental Tree Requirement – (low impact)
- Light Fixture Requirement – (low impact)
- Public Art Fund Structure – (low impact)

The Board indicated that they met with the developer individually and went over the amendments. They support the amendments and appreciate the presentation.

Stefan Doerrfeld, Twenty 40 Concepts, gave further clarification to the proposed amendments. The Board will approve on Wednesday.

Jessie Black, Board of Supervisor staff, stated that she met with each Supervisor separately regarding proposed amendments to the Water and Land Legacy Bond Public Review Board Rules and Operating Procedures. She stated that this will reduce membership from 15 to 9 and will be another level of transparency. The Board will approve on Wednesday.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Meisheid to approve payroll authorizations (detail is available upon request).

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Adjournment at 10:39 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

TODD E. TAYLOR, Linn County Auditor
By: Rebecca Shoop, Deputy Auditor

Approved by:

BRANDY Z. MEISHEID, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors