

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2025 10:00 A.M.

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

Chairperson Meisheid called the meeting to order.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Scheetz to approve minutes of October 27, 2025 as printed.

Alyssa Comer, ECICOG, and Emery Davis, Conservation Agronomist, presented an update by the Lower Cedar Watershed Management Authority and Heartland Co-op. Background was provided about the watershed management plan, cover crops and saturated buffers.

Supervisor Scheetz stated that he appreciates the presentation and asked if services were on hold due to the government shutdown. Davis stated that state funding is still available.

Chairperson Meisheid added that she appreciates them being here today and sharing this information.

Stephanie Lientz, Planning & Development, presented a Master Services Agreement and Statement of Work for Forerunner Software Services for Floodplain Management. This was previously discussed at the October 6th Board meeting requesting that software budget funds be used for Forerunner. IT has approved the agreement and statement of work.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Scheetz to authorize the Chair to sign a Master Services Agreement and Statement of Work for Forerunner Software Services for Floodplain Management.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Scheetz to open public hearing for an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Linn County, Iowa, by amending provisions in Chapter 107, pertaining to exempting rezoning land to Exclusive Use zoning districts from the Land Evaluation and Site Assessment (LESA) scoring system.

Lientz stated that this is cleaning up language from the previous ordinance where they neglected to do a few things thoroughly. There are 3 changes: taking out the requirement to meet their land evaluation site requirements; adding the exclusive use district to the list of zoning classifications in article 7 and adding to their use table. The Planning & Zoning Commission did recommend approval. Proof of publication was presented. There were no oral or written objections.

Chairperson Meisheid will meet with Lientz for further clarification on the land assessment part.

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

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Scheetz to approve upon First Consideration an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Linn County, Iowa, by amending provisions in Chapter 107, pertaining to exempting rezoning land to Exclusive Use zoning districts from the Land Evaluation and Site Assessment (LESA) scoring system.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Scheetz to remove from today's agenda: Discuss an amended MOU and Infrastructure Funding Agreement (IFA) among the East Central Iowa Workforce Development Board (ECIWDB) and other partners regarding cost sharing, service access, service delivery, and other related matters.

Chairperson Meisheid presented a request from Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) to contribute to the filing of an amicus brief before the United States Supreme Court. They received a letter requesting \$500 to help cover the cost of the amicus brief. Meisheid read the letter to the audience. It is highlighting important local control, and she is in support of it.

Supervisor Scheetz voiced his support as well.

The Board will approve Wednesday.

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

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Adjournment at 10:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

TODD E. TAYLOR, Linn County Auditor
By: Amanda Brown, Deputy Auditor

Approved by:

BRANDY Z. MEISHEID, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors