

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2021 11:00 A.M.

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

Vice Chairperson Rogers called the meeting to order.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve minutes of December 15, 2021 as printed.

Christine Bullock gave a presentation by the Workplace Learning Connection and presented budget request in the amount of 10 cents per capita or \$23,029.90 for next fiscal year.

Darrin Gage, Dir. of Policy & Admin., presented an Amendment to Purchase/Sale Contract for the purchase of 1017 12th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids due to not receiving a final phase report, which has now been received.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to authorize Chair to sign an Amendment to Purchase/Sale Contract for the purchase of 1017 12th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to extend the closing date to December 22, 2021.

Gage also presented an Above Ground Electric Line Easement granting Interstate Power and Light Company a perpetual easement related to above ground electric lines over a portion of property located at of 1017 12th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve and authorize chair to sign an Above Ground Electric Line Easement granting Interstate Power and Light Company a perpetual easement related to above ground electric lines over a portion of property located at 1017 12th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Discussion: Supervisor Zumbach noted that normally when land is purchased, easements are included and Lisa Epp, Asst. Co. Atty., explained the reasons.

VOTE: All Aye

Public Comment: Marc Franke, 4205 Vista Rd., Ely, stated that he grew up on a farm that raised sheep and dairy. He has 20 years' experience with solar and mentioned the proposed solar projects near Coggon and Palo. He stated that the best-proven vegetation management is sheep grazing which can be rotated through the solar facility.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve Employment Change Roster (payroll authorizations) as follows:

TREASURER'S OFFICE

Universal Clerk	Traci Fine	Correction to effective date 12/28/21
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COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Clerk Typist	Erica Pecinovsky	Termination/resignation_ 12/28/21
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PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Combination Inspector	William Cole Little	New hire – FT_ 01/24/22 21A \$26.03 Replaces M. Nuckolls
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COMMUNITY SERVICES

Food Service Coord.	Diane Rowe	Temporary Transfer 12/16/21 54A \$18.06 – 56A \$20.95
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PUBLIC HEALTH

Assess & Hlth Prom Sup	Amy Hockett	Promotion 12/13/21 40E \$39.25 - \$87,627/annually
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ENGINEERING

Light Equip. Oper.	Kevin Lewis	Termination/deceased 12/10/21
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The Board received and placed on file a letter and photos from Marc Franke, Ely, re: solar farm arrays.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to reappoint Maura Pilcher to the Linn County Historic Preservation Commission, term ending Dec. 31, 2024.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to go into closed session in accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.5(1) (c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent.

VOTE: Walker – Aye Rogers - Aye Zumbach - Aye

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to go out of closed session.

VOTE: Walker – Aye Rogers - Aye Zumbach - Aye

The Board recessed at 11:38 a.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. to review proposed Fiscal Year 2023 budgets. Present: Dawn Jindrich, Finance Dir., Sara Bearrows, Budget Dir., Dennis Goemaat, Daniel Gibbins, Randy Burke and Ryan Schlader, Conservation.

Conservation – Proposed appropriation is over the Board's guidelines by \$20,000 due to

increased operational costs for electrical usage and rates associated with increased camping use. The increase is offset by additional revenues.

Dennis Goemaat and Daniel Gibbins presented the budget summary including Key Performance Indicators. There are three potential campground expansions being considered.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve Conservation FY 23 proposed expenditures in the amount of \$13,391,110, revenue in the amount of \$8,642,000 and operating transfer from general basic in the amount of \$750,000.

Adjournment at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor
By: Rebecca Shoop, Deputy Auditor

Approved by:

BEN ROGERS, Vice Chairperson
Board of Supervisors