

Auditor's Office
Jefferson, Iowa
May 18, 2020

Greene County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. in the courthouse boardroom with all supervisors present: Bardole, Burkett, Contner, Muir, Rudolph. As the courthouse remains closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting was made available electronically, audio only, through zoom.us. Motion by Contner, second by Bardole to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Burkett, second by Rudolph to approve the minutes of May 11, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair John Muir reported participation in meetings of the Assessor's conference board, EOC, Region XII Executive board and Elected Officials. Supervisor Dawn Rudolph reported participation in Grow Greene and conference board meetings. Supervisor Pete Bardole participated in EOC, conference board, Chamber and Bell Tower Foundation meetings.

IT director Michelle Fields reported having received questions from the public pertaining to recording the board zoom meetings – whether the meetings have been recorded, or may be recorded, and whether video zoom meetings might also be an option. The board is not currently set up for video meetings, but Muir offered his opinion that meetings may return to being open in the courthouse in a few weeks. Recording of meetings is not prohibited. County attorney Thomas Laehn referred to Iowa Code, noting the county has no obligation to record meetings.

Engineer Wade Weiss discussed a bridge in need of repair due to rotted wood pilings. Motion by Contner, second by Rudolph to approve Resolution 2020-26: ROAD CLOSURE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the bridge located on a gravel road approximately 0.11 miles East of the Northwest corner of Section 29 Township 85 North, Range 29 West (Paton Twp) over East Buttrick Creek is to undergo repairs, and the repair work will make it necessary to close the roadway to vehicular traffic, and

WHEREAS the Code of Iowa Chapter 306 provides that the agency having jurisdiction and control over any highway may temporarily close sections of a highway by formal resolution entered upon the minutes of such agency when reasonably necessary because of construction, reconstruction, maintenance or natural disaster and shall cause to be erected "road closed" signs and partial or total barricades in the roadway at each end of the closed highway section.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Greene County roadway designated as 140th St will be closed to all vehicular traffic beginning at the intersection with T Avenue at the Northwest corner of Section of 29, T85N, R29W thence West approximately one-half (0.5) mile to the North quarter corner of Section 29, T85N, R29W until repair is completed as determined by the County Engineer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that signs for the road closure be placed as directed by the engineer in accordance with Chapter 306 of the Code of Iowa and all signs remain in place throughout the construction until removed by directive of the engineer.

Aye: Bardole, Burkett, Contner, Muir, Rudolph. Resolution unanimously approved.

The annual Statement of Understanding with Central Iowa Community Services (CICS) for the service coordinator position was reviewed. The service coordinator position has reflected 80% share of employee Ellen Ritter's time, but is to change to 90% for FY21. Balance of Ritter's time is paid from the county's general fund for county general assistance duties. Motion by Bardole, second by Burkett to

approve the FY21 Statement of understanding between Greene County and CICS for the service coordinator position. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Rudolph, second by Contner to approve a cigarette/tobacco permit for Paton Pit Stop. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Burkett, second by Contner to adjourn to a meeting for DD14 (change order #2, pay estimate #4, set completion hearing date). The board returned to its regular meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Prior to the next agenda item, Chair Muir related that he had received questions after the last board meeting during which public hearings were held for two hog confinement construction permit applications. Muir said that matrix scoring (reviews) have always been held on a separate date from the public hearing for the construction permit application. He also stated that no changes have been made to the board's recommendation process to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) , and that comments from the public are included in the submission to the IDNR. Chris Henning offered her comments with the board about how scoring objections have been handled in the past during the public hearing for the construction permit application.

Motion by Contner, second by Rudolph to approve the FY21 County Substance Abuse Prevention Iowa Grants application and assignment of Billie Jo Hoskins as Board Authorized Signatory. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Contner, second by Burkett to approve FY21 Substance Abuse Prevention Services Agreement with New Opportunities, Inc. Motion carried unanimously. Proposed substance abuse prevention services grant funds total \$1,902 through Iowa Department of Public Health, with a three-to-one county match, for a total budget of \$7,608.

Current county cremation assistance is \$900 to the county's funeral homes for approved cases. The board agreed during the FY21 budgeting process to consider raising that rate. Motion by Rudolph, second by Contner to increase county cremation assistance to \$1,250 to funeral homes for approved cremation assistance applications effective July 1, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

The timeframe for re-opening the courthouse to the public was discussed with the media just prior to adjournment. Muir stated that tentative plans are to open June 3rd with individual offices determining whether that is to be on an appointment basis or otherwise. No finalized plans have yet been made. Muir then adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

John J. Muir, Chair BOS

ATTEST: Jane Heun, Auditor