

Auditor's Office  
Jefferson, Iowa  
December 19, 2016

Greene County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. in the courthouse boardroom with all supervisors present: Burkett, Contner, Muir, Richardson, Rudolph.

Motion by Burkett, second by Contner to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Rudolph, second by Contner to approve the minutes of December 12, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisors gave reports of outside meetings attended: Tom Contner for New Opportunities; Guy Richardson for a GCDC board meeting and a housing committee meeting; Dawn Rudolph for a Scranton council meeting. Environmental health director Chuck Wenthold shared a draft copy of the North Raccoon River Watershed Management Coalition (28E agreement) for the board to review.

Chief Deputy Jack Williams reported that the contracts for town law enforcement have not been updated since 2011. He recommended a ten percent increase to the contract amounts effective July 1, 2017, with no animal control services provided.

Motion by Contner, second by Richardson to approve signing final plans for PCC Patching on N65. Motion carried unanimously. Engineer Wade Weiss noted that this is an 11.5 mile long project.

GCDC director Ken Paxton proposed Community 360 Cultural Assessment to the board of supervisors and the Jefferson community for the board's review. Paxton noted that he has a "dream team" to lead the plan. No action was taken.

Becky Wolf, Greene County Public Health, and Carl Behne, GCMC brought Public Health's FY18 budget proposal before the board. Wolf provided information about staffing, programs and services, funding and costs to operate the Public Health department. Behne noted that there are currently 32 public health departments in Iowa that are merged with hospitals, with Greene County that way for over thirty years. Wolf reported that funding through grants and other sources have changed, and requested that the county begin to fund more of the share of net costs to run public health. That net cost is estimated at \$-550,294 for FY18. The request is for 50% of that amount, or \$275,147. FY19 funding of 75% or \$436,677 and FY20 funding of 100% or \$614,319 were included for the board using three-year revenue and expenditure projections. The board currently funds public health \$150,000. It was noted that the county's general fund levy is at its maximum of \$3.50/\$1000 valuation. The hospital is estimated to be at 48% of its levy maximum rate. No action was taken.

Motion by Richardson, second by Burkett to approve the completed FY2016 Cost Allocation Plan (to be used for indirect cost recoveries during FY18 for Department of Human Services administrative expenses). Motion carried unanimously.

Sandy Scheuermann and Terry Lang were present for consideration of the county's calendar 2017 health insurance coverage. The board determined that it would be in the county's best interest to raise its stop loss figure from \$30,000 up to \$40,000 with an aggregating spec of \$175,000. For calendar year 2017, the county will maintain two options for employees: a \$500 deductible plan and a \$1,000 deductible plan. Then in calendar 2018 the county is looking to offer \$1,000 or \$1,500 deductible plans. Rather than \$10 per month, singles would pay 2½% of the monthly charge beginning July 1, 2017, and then 5% of the monthly charge beginning July 1, 2018. Employees pay 15% of the monthly insurance charge for the employee, spouse and child(ren) combinations. Motion by Burkett, second by Contner to approve the self-funded proposal changing to a \$40,000/175,000 stop loss and using annual expected cost rates for funding of the county's health insurance during calendar 2017 as provided in that proposal. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Rudolph, second by Contner to approve two claims for payment: \$6,600 to The Stained Glass Store for glass canopy services and \$98,549 to Bob Brown Chevrolet for three Chevy Silverado pickup trucks. Motion carried unanimously.

Doug Hawn and members of the Greene County Fair Association board were present for the fair association's FY18 budget request. Hawn provided a detailed financial report and event summaries report to the board and noted that, as in past years, no increase was being requested for FY18. Funding is currently \$24,000 and has been since fiscal 2012. No action was taken.

Don Orris presented a detailed update about the work of the committee formed to look into a new animal shelter to be located in Jefferson. Orris has been the facilitator of the project and has put countless hours into research and possible solutions for law enforcement, Jefferson and Greene County. The cost estimate to build a facility in Jefferson, with land donated by GCDC, comes in at \$1.23M, with all funding to build the facility to be raised from private funds. Ownership remains unclear, with Orris plan to "turn keys over to the county..." and the city and county sharing expenses in no more than a 40/60 or 60/40 ratio. He also provided a "worse case budget" for the facility. Orris asked that the board review the plans and budgets provided and noted he would be back to determine if an agreement could be reached by city/county to jointly fund an annual budget for the facility.

Chair Muir adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

John J. Muir, Chair BOS

ATTEST: Jane Heun, Auditor