

February 27, 2024 9:00 a.m.

The Jones County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Present Chairman Rohwedder, Supervisors Schlarmann, Oswald, Swisher, and Zirkelbach.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Schlarmann to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2024, meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Swisher to approve claims #2402-0206 through #2402-0337. All aye. Motion carried.

Liz Rodriguez, Iowa Workforce Development Board Director met with the Board to present a local plan for Iowa Workforce Development.

Jeremiah Hoyt, Anamosa City Administrator met with the Board to discuss the current condition of the Dillon Military Bridge.

The Auditor met with the Board for approval of the various items as noted in the motions below.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to make of record the Conservation Board's appointment of the following seasonal employees Troy Olson at \$19.69 per hour, effective March 4, 2024; Emelie Ahrendsen at \$15.75 per hour effective March 18, 2024; Josie Beitz at \$15.75 per hour effective March 18, 2024; and Rebecca Close at \$15.75 per hour effective June 10, 2024. Ayes: Rohwedder, Schlarmann, Oswald, Zirkelbach. Nay: Swisher. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Schlarmann to approve a five-day Class C Retail Alcohol License for Scotch Grove Coon Hunters Club to be effective March 14, 2024. All aye. Motion carried. [2024-030]

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Oswald to approve a letter of support for an Aureon Charity Grant for the Midland Ambulance Service. All aye. Motion carried. [2024-031]

Moved by Oswald seconded by Schlarmann to set a bid opening date of March 26, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. for the Courthouse first floor bathroom remodel project. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Schlarmann to void check #191958 in the amount of \$454.00, dated February 27, 2024, made payable to Iowa Weed Commissioners Association; and corresponding claim # 2402-0221, submitted by Secondary Roads, with reason being that one employee is unable to attend training and payment is non-refundable. All aye. Motion carried.

The Land Use Administrator met with the Board for approval of a final subdivision plat.

Supervisor Zirkelbach introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Oswald. On roll call vote: Rohwedder aye, Schlarmann aye, Zirkelbach aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, whereupon the Chairman declared the resolution passed and adopted.

RESOLUTION APPROVING PLAT

WHEREAS, a final plat of Wheels of Progress Addition to Jones County, Iowa, a subdivision containing three (3) lots, and an Outlot A, located in Section 34, Township 86, North Range 3 West of the 5th P.M., has been filed with the Jones County Board of Supervisors, and after consideration, the same is found to be correct and in accordance with the ordinances of Jones County, Iowa in relation to platting and the subdivision of land, with the exception of the following:

- lot size requirements found in Section 5 of Article IV, Subdivision Design, of the Jones County Subdivision Ordinance

- access point, interior road width, and road association requirements found in Section 2 of Article V, Minimum Improvements, of the Jones County Subdivision Ordinance
- interior street standards found in Section 3 of Article V, Minimum Improvements, of the Jones County Subdivision Ordinance, and
- storm water pollution prevention plan requirements found in Section 7 of Article V, Minimum Improvements, of the Jones County Subdivision Ordinance

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF JONES COUNTY, IOWA that said final plat of Wheels of Progress Addition to Jones County, Iowa, be approved, with

1. Variance to Section 4. Article IV Subdivision Design – Parcel is listed in the Flood Hazard Area (1% probability flood, or one (100) hundred year flood) According to page 2, a permit is required before proceeding.
2. Variance to Section 2. Streets and Access Points, of Article V, Minimum Improvements of the Jones County Subdivision Ordinance;
 - There are no streets or road association agreement.
 - There shall be no less than two access points. Access points are not noted on the plat so it is unclear whether two access points exist for this subdivision.
3. Variance to Section 3. Interior Street Standards, of Article V, Minimum Improvements of the Jones County Subdivision Ordinance;
 - There is no interior road or cul-de-sac.
4. Variance to Section 7. Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan, of Article V, Minimum Improvements, of the Jones County Subdivision Ordinance.
 - If more than one acre is disturbed, a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan will be required.

AND, the same is hereby acknowledged on the part of Jones County, Iowa,

AND, the Chairman and County Auditor are hereby directed to certify this Resolution of Approval and affix the same to the plat as provided by law. In approving the plat, Jones County is expressly not accepting any responsibility for the roadways set forth on said plat.

The Engineer, Assistant to the Engineer, and Road Superintendent met with the Board for approval of the various items as noted in the motions below and to discuss the proposed 2025 County Five Year Program, to discuss a joint project with Linn County on the Martelle Road, and to discuss the future of the chief inspector position.

Moved by Schlarmann seconded by Zirkelbach to approve the hire of Wes Gibbs as a Secondary Roads Superintendent effective February 26, 2024, at \$38.46 per hour. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Oswald to amend the 2024 County Five Year Road program. All aye. Motion carried. [2024-032]

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Oswald to approve a Fence Compensation Sub-Contract with Milton Luckstead for Project LFM-C-932--7X-53 on 215th Ave. All aye. Motion carried. [2024-033]

During the budget review portion of the meeting, the Board and several elected officials discussed ideas to reduce expenditures from the general fund including a change in health insurance plans, salary increases, and agency funding.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Oswald leave the total levy rate at 9.65152 for budgetary purposes for the proposed property tax hearing notice. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Swisher to use the time and date of 8:30 a.m. on April 2, 2024, as the public hearing time for the HF718 Proposed Property Tax Levy public hearing. Ayes: Schlarmann, Zirkelbach, Swisher, Oswald. Nay: Rohwedder. Motion carried.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Schlarmann to approve a 4.75% wage increase and no change to health insurance for FY25 budget preparation purposes only. On roll call vote: Schlarmann aye, Zirkelbach aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, Rohwedder nay. Motion carried.

The Board gave brief reports on past and future committee meetings.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Oswald to recess at 11:37 a.m. until the precast cement building tour in Dubuque County at 1:00 p.m. All aye. Motion carried.

The Board toured two precast cement buildings in Dubuque County from 1:00 p.m. to 3:06p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

Attest: Whitney Hein, Auditor

Ned Rohwedder, Chairman