

ALLAMAKEE COUNTY BOS • MINUTES 12.02.2024

MINUTES OF THE ALLAMAKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2024 (UNOFFICIAL)

Board members present: Byrnes, Keatley and Reiser. All members voting "AYE" unless noted.

Meeting called to order by Byrnes, followed by Pledge of Allegiance. 24.383-Motion Keatley/Second Reiser to approve today's agenda and minutes from November 25, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

The following people were present at various times throughout the meeting in person or via Zoom: Joseph Moses – Standard newspaper, Denise Beyer – Auditor/Clerk to Supervisors, Lisa Wetzel – NEI3A, Benita Gossman, Laurie Moody, Corey Snitker, Tony Gericke, Clark Mellick, Jon Luchsinger. Public Comment: None

Notification of eMMP update for Grove #5. Attorney Gericke spoke about adding more security at the courthouse. Topics included needing more manpower to staff the door; only having one door open for public access; timing of the new security camera installation and added lighting in courthouse parking lots. Gericke talked to Paul Wagner about adding cameras to the city parking lots across the street as another layer of security. Gericke/

Sheriff Mellick spoke to the staffing in Sheriff's office. Discussion about lighting in the parking lots included: Corey and Clark will look at the lighting after dark one night this week and report back. Supervisors will consider all options including adding a deputy during budget time. Snitker shared some information about limiting 4th floor access via the elevator as well as doors on 4th floor that can be locked to limit access.

Auditor Beyer presented a resolution to obligate ARPA funds.

24.384-Motion Reiser/Second Keatley to approve resolution to obligate ARPA funds for Solid Waste building and electrical not to exceed \$61,009.51. Roll call: Reiser-aye; Byrnes-aye; Keatley-aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in Auditor's office)

Lisa Wetzel, NEI3A, gave an overview of NEI3A programs, shared Allamakee County numbers and ages served; increased demand for services along with increased costs, which has led to prioritization scoring for services. Nutrition services are the highest utilized services. Wetzel made FY26 budget request of \$7,600.

Corey Snitker reviewed the updated Hazard Mitigation Plan which is required to be updated every 5 years and highlighted county specific items in the plan. Having an

updated Hazard Mitigation Plan provides eligibility for other grants for Snitker's department.

Department Head updates: Corey Snitker gave update on upcoming department, security and commission meetings. Jon Luchsinger gave estimated timeline of Thanksgiving to Christmas for the CAT6 project. Auditor Beyer gave update on valuation process and special election March 4.

Work session was held regarding remaining ARPA funds. Auditor Beyer will check on some options with Paul Berland – obligating to General Fund, obligating remaining amount to a road project to spend any extra money there. Expenses discussed include: water system project and demolition of the water tower/antennas on tower at Safety Center; updating the OWL and Paul Berland fees for assisting with ARPA questions/reporting. Follow up on: wiring expense/contract for lighting changes in hallways; can county obligate remainder of ARPA to pay for part of a secondary roads project.

24.385-Motion Reiser/Second Keatley to adjourn. Motion carried. Dan Byrnes, Chairperson

ATTEST: Denise Beyer, Auditor

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ALLAMAKEE COUNTY BOS • MINUTES 12.02.2024 SPECIAL MEETING WITH USDA, NRCS, LOCAL SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE ALLAMAKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2024 Special meeting with USDA, NRCS, local Soil and Water Conservation Commissioners (UNOFFICIAL)

Board members present: Byrnes, Keatley and Reiser. Meeting called to order by Byrnes.

The following people were present at various times throughout the meeting: Denise Beyer – Auditor/Clerk to Supervisors, Brianne Wild, Christian Osborn, George Shaefer, Mark McCurdy, Donald Elsbernd, Jim Pladsen, Brian Ridenour, Jeremy Bjerke. Introductions by all present. Engineer Ridenour explained the reason for the meeting – English

Bench watershed has reached its 50-year design life; maintenance is up to the sponsoring local organization (SLO) – County and Soil and Water Conservation District; NRCS may help with inspections if requested, but only as their resources allow/maybe not every year going forward; NRCS has no funding to help with much so expenses are the county's responsibility. Brianne Wild with Allamakee SWCD will prepare a letter to request assistance with inspections.

24.386-Motion Keatley/Second Reiser to adjourn. Motion carried. Dan Byrnes, Chairperson

ATTEST: Denise Beyer, Auditor

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