

WAPELLO COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS
3rd Floor Courtroom at Courthouse

DATE: 11-28-2023

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Brian Morgan, Chair; Bryan Ziegler, Vice Chair; Darren Batterson, Supervisor; Kelly Spurgeon, Auditor; Chad Drury, Ottumwa Courier; John T Barker, Ottumwa TA; Steve O'Brien, O'Brien Electric; Chris Deyo, Midwest Solar Installers; Tim Richmond, EMA; Jake Bohi, EMA; Jeff Skalberg, Engineer; Don Phillips, Sheriff; Gary Smith, Assessor; Tom & Peg Lazio; Lester Den Hartog; Lisa Kent, Recorder; Marty Wonderlin, WCSO; Jason Fuller, WCSO; Chaylee, Goodvin, WCSO.

Chair Morgan opened the meeting. Vice Chair Ziegler moved, seconded by Supervisor Batterson to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Ziegler moved, seconded by Supervisor Batterson to approve minutes of November 21, 2023 Board Meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2nd READING OF ORDINANCE FOR ASSESSMENT OF WIND ENERGY CONVERSION PROPERTY. Vice Chair Ziegler moved, seconded by Supervisor Batterson to open the public hearing. All ayes. Motion carried. There were no written/verbal comments. Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to close the public hearing. All ayes. Motion carried. 2nd reading of the ordinance complete.

Chris Deyo with Midwest Solar Installers presented to the Board on cost savings of installing solar panels at Secondary Roads building.

Vice Chair Ziegler moved to increase the Jail Administrator salary to \$76,000 and no increase for the Assistant, Supervisor Batterson moved to increase Jail Administrator salary to \$70,000, Vice Chair Ziegler motion failed due to a second. Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Batterson to increase the Jail Administrators salary to \$72,000 & Asst. Jail Administrators to \$61,000. All ayes. Motion carried. Chair Morgan explained to Sheriff Phillips that he needed to find the money within his current budget.

Wapello County Emergency Management Director Tim Richmond presented the new Wapello Life app that residents can download on their phones.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve request for assistance to purchase boxes for First Presbyterian Church Food Pantry. All ayes. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Ziegler moved, seconded by Supervisor Batterson to approve request for payroll approval, change of employment for Kimberly Bishop, LPN effective 10-10-2023 at \$25.00. All ayes. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Ziegler moved, seconded by Supervisor Batterson to approve request for payroll approval, change of employment for Dan Terrell effective 12-1-2023 to change payroll cycle. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to approve request for payroll approval, change of employment for Joshua Batterson effective 12-1-2023 to change from salary to hourly. All ayes. Motion carried.

Claims in the amount of \$307,664.11 & payroll in the amount of \$453,730.04 for 12-1-2023 were approved.

10:32 a.m. Supervisor Batterson moved, seconded by Vice Chair Ziegler to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Kelly Spurgeon
Wapello County Auditor

R. Brian Morgan, Chair
Board of Supervisors