

WAPELLO COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS
3rd Floor Courtroom/Board Room at Courthouse

DATE: 11-22-2022

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Jerry Parker, Chair; Brian Morgan, Vice Chair; Wayne Huit, Supervisor; Kelly Spurgeon, Auditor; Kari Short, Office Manager; Rick Tebbs, WBBC; Paul Totten; WCCB; Tom Lazio; Bob Meyers; Kristi Meyers; Sonja Ferrell, Ottumwa Public Library; Brenda Case, Citizen; Cara Galloway, CASA/Citizen; Fred Jenkins; Carolyn Jenkins; Connie Ferguson; Fred Zesiger, MSO/Citizen; Lisa Kent, Recorder; Chad Drury, Ottumwa Courier; Jeff Skalberg, Co Engineer; Bryan Ziegler; Steve Siegel; Rick Johnson; Cari Nicely, Gothic House; Jeff via Zoom.

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

Supervisor Huit moved, seconded by Vice Chair Morgan to approve minutes from the November 15, 2022 Board meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PLANS, SPECS & ESTIMATE FOR THE WALK BRIDGE. Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to open the public hearing. There were no written comments. Verbal comments: Brenda Case commented that she feels the bridge is a valuable asset; Cara Calloway stated that she has heard from several students who use the bridge when walking to school and thinks the repairs are necessary; Steve Siegel stated he is in favor of the repairs on the bridge. Fred Zesiger stated the bridge is a vital asset to the trails. Fred Jenkins urged the Board to keep up the improvements to the walk bridge. Tom Lazio support the repairs and upkeep. Bob Meyers support the Supervisors to do repairs. Rick Johnson support repairs plus future repairs with maybe lights and cameras. Chair Parker stated the repairs will be done and paid out of LOT. Jeff Skalberg, Engineer stated there was some errors on the report and will get in contact with Klinger & Associates. Supervisor Huit moved, seconded by Vice Chair Morgan to close the public hearing. Supervisor Huit moved, seconded by Vice Chair Morgan to approve the Specs with modifications by Klinger & Associates. All aye. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to take bids for repairs by 4:00 p.m. on December 19, 2022. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING TO CLOSE & VACATE COUNTY ROAD 185TH AVENUE. Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to open the public hearing. There were no written comments. Rick Tebbs, WCCB stated he asked for the road to be close from the highway to road and be granted to County Conservation. Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to close the public hearing. Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to approve Resolution 56-2022 to Close & Vacate County Road 185th Avenue. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Huit moved, seconded by Vice Chair Morgan to approve Resolution 53-2022 to Close & Transfer County Road 185th Avenue to County Conservation. All ayes. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to approve completion of microfilm digitization project for Ottumwa Public Library in the amount of \$47,895 which will cover 11-1963 thru 12-2019 to be paid out of ARPA Funds. Sonja Ferrell thanked the board for their assistance with this project. All ayes. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to acknowledge request for Payroll Approval, Change of Employment for Tammy Headley effective 11-21-2022 at \$52,060.17 per year. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Huit moved, seconded by Vice Chair Morgan to approve Payroll Approval, New Hire for Bryce Uhlenberg, Assistant Attorney effective 11-21-2022 at \$70,000.00 per year. All ayes. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to accept and file Treasurer's Investment Report for October 2022. All ayes. Motion carried.

Tom Lazio thanked Chair Parker and Supervisor Huit for all of their hard work and dedication to Wapello County.

10:00 a.m. Vice Chair Morgan moved, seconded by Supervisor Huit to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Kelly Spurgeon
Wapello County Auditor

Jerry Parker, Chair
Board of Supervisors