## **Wayne County Board of Supervisors**

Regular Scheduled Meeting of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors was held on the 24th day of January 2022, in the Conference Room of the Wayne County Courthouse, Corydon, Iowa, pursuant to notice duly given in compliance with Iowa Code Section 21.4. The Board noted due notice of meeting subject to said Code Section.

Present were David Dotts, Tom Swearingin(By Phone), Don Seams members of the Board, Randy Zerr, Aaron Hoelting, Mendy Middlebrook, Rhonda Bennett, Jen Reed and Michelle Dooley.

The Corydon Times Republican live streams the Board of Supervisors regular session meetings on their facebook page. **Unless otherwise noted, all motions are approved unanimously by all Board members present.** 

Dotts called meeting to order at 9:00AM and took roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance

Seams made a motion to add Corey Metzger, with Resource Consulting Engineers LLC to the January 24, 2022, agenda, seconded by Swearingin.

Seams made motion to approve the January 24, 2022, agenda with amendment, seconded by Swearingin.

Seams made motion to approve the January 10, 2022, minutes, seconded by Swearingin.

Seams made motion to approve the January 21, 2022, payroll, seconded by Dotts.

Seams made motion to approve the January 24, 2022, claims, seconded by Dotts.

No public comments regarding agenda items.

County Engineer, Randy Zerr reported that the contractor for the Medicine Creek Project has not begun work because of weather conditions.

Dotts read Resolution 22-24 FOR ROAD VACATION PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, a request has been filed with the Wayne County Board of Supervisors asking that action be taken to vacate and close sections of Wayne County Secondary Roads, described as follows:

Road No. 24

Commencing at the south quarter corner of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 15, Township 69 North, Range 20 West, thence north 2061.05 feet, more or less, to the property line of the United States of America.

The aforementioned description was retyped from the Supervisors' Minute Book Number 14, Page 183 (dated December 20, 1993). To the best of the County's knowledge and belief, the road right-of-way width of 220<sup>th</sup> Street is 66 feet. See attached Exhibit 'A' for road vacation location.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a hearing on the proposed vacation will be held in the Conference Room, Wayne County Courthouse, Corydon, Iowa, 50060, at 9:00AM on February 22, 2022 in accordance with Iowa Code Chapter 306.

Seams made motion to approve Resolution 22-24 to set public hearing, seconded by Swearingin.

Corey Metzger joined the meeting by Zoom and discussed 3 options for replacing the HVAC system of the Courthouse. The three options are listed below.

- Option 1A Air-Source VRF:
  - Expected Construction Cost: \$900,000

- Expected total Project Cost: \$1,100,000 (assumed 20% for design fees, printing, contingency, and other project soft costs – similar for line items below)
- Option 2A FCUs with Air-Cooled Chiller and Gas-Fired Boilers:

o Expected Construction Cost: \$1,000,000

- Expected total Project Cost: \$1,200,000
- Option 2B Ground-Coupled (geothermal) FCUs:

Expected Construction Cost: \$1,250,000
Expected total Project Cost: \$1,500,000

Seams made the motion to accept and approve option 1A, seconded by Swearingin. Seams will follow-up with Metzger regarding their decision.

Seams made motion to set the public hearing for the proposed Max Levy rate for February 7, 2022, at 9:00AM in Basement Conference Room of the Wayne County Courthouse, seconded by Swearingin.

Auditor Dooley also requested the Board to be prepared to make decision regarding elected official compensation increases for FY23 during the February 7<sup>th</sup> meeting as well.

The Clerk of Court December monthly report was presented. Their deposits were \$958.42. Seams made motion to accept and approve the Clerk of Court December Monthly report, seconded by Swearingin.

The Sheriff's December monthly report was presented. Their deposits were \$20,292.54. Seams made motion to accept and approve the Sheriff's December Monthly report, seconded by Swearingin.

During discussion time, Auditor Dooley requested for budget work sessions with the individual County Departments & Offices to begin on Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. She stated that they would begin scheduling the work sessions and would make sure the agenda is posted for the work sessions. Board was fine with proceeding with the budget work sessions.

## Supervisor meetings:

Swearingin attended a conservation meeting. Conservation is working on winter projects.

Seams attended the South-Central Iowa Workforce Development Area meeting. The board is working on getting bids for an audit of the last 2 years fiscal years.

Seams also attended ISAC University in Des Moines for two days last week.

Dotts visited the Capital with Joella Perry, Veteran Affair's Director and Veteran Affair's Commissioner, Hubert Staggs last week.

Public Comments: Seams took a moment to express his desire to be transparent to the public when determining the compensation increase for the Wayne County elected officials for the FY23 Budget Year. Seams explained that the compensation board is made up of representatives from the county that have been requested by the elected officials to represent them on the board. Each elected official is allowed one representative except for the Supervisors. They are allowed 2 representatives. Seams went on to state the challenges that the compensation board faced this year when determining the recommendation for the Sheriff because of new legislation. He also explained if any of the recommendations are cut; that all recommendations have to be cut by the same % across the board with the exception of the Supervisors. Their compensation can be cut by a larger % than the other elected officials. Seams restated the recommendations of the compensation board for FY23 are as follows: 12% for the Sheriff and 8.67% for all the other elected officials. He went on to say that approving such compensation increases does create a trickling effect because those increases are usually passed down to staff members. He gave the salaries of the elected officials and how they compared to other counties of like size. Seams discussed that 22.5% of the residents of Wayne County are over 65 years of age and many live on fixed incomes and increasing taxes would create a challenge to those individuals. He also mentioned that all individuals are faced with the challenges of inflation and how inflation is out of control. He gave examples of the inflation that the farmers and restaurant owners are facing. Seams went on to discuss that Secondary Road Department employees received 2.75% rate increase during their last negotiations and that those employees will definitely be requesting a larger increase during the next negotiations in the fall and who could blame them. Secondary Road employees do not handle large budgets but operate expensive equipment and have to be out in all kinds of weather. Seams once

asked an administrator how he justified his six-figure salary. His reply was that he managed a multi-million dollar budget. Our elected officials handle budgets bigger than that. There is great amount of responsibility and stress placed on our elected officials. Seams expressed that he represents all residents of the county and that there are many factors that influence his decision. Seams has requested feedback from county residents with very little response, but he did get a response that stated that compensation should be tied to services offered to the public. He went on to state that he knows that it is very difficult for a working individual to conduct county business because of the hours of operation. Seams went on to say that he wants to be very clear that after the decision is made regarding compensation; it is a done deal, and it is not open for discussion or debate. Dotts also expressed that elected official are not making what they may be worth in a private sector position. Dotts added that there is no quicker way to see counties forced to consolidate than to have elected positions left vacant because qualified individuals do not want to hold those positions. Swearingin agreed with the points made and he added that the compensation board members are frustrated with the process when their recommendations are not approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Claims paid	January	24,	2022
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ALEXANDER, KELLEY	MILEAGE/PHN	187.50	
ALLERTON LUMBER COMPANY	SUPPLIES/NV	230.01	
ALLIANT ENERGY-IP&L	UTILITIES	8,408.08	
B & D AUTOMOTIVE, (CARQUEST OF HUMESTONPARTS84/SEC RDS 458.4			
BICKEL, SHELLEY	MILEAGE/PHN	60.00	
BUTTZ, DEIDRE	MILEAGE/PHN	128.50	
CANTERA AGGREGATE, LLC	ROCK/SEC RDS	8,888.08	
CARQUEST OF CORYDON	MOTOR PARTS/CONSERVATION	31.73	
CENTURY LINK	SERVICE/E911	256.92	
CERTIFIED POWER, INC	PARTS77/SEC RDS	972.15	
CFI SALES INC	TIRES/SEC RDS	3,435.36	
CITY OF CORYDON	UTILITIES	901.50	
CLARKE ELECTRIC COOP	UTILITIES/CONSERVATION	222.55	
COOPER, AMANDA	MILEAGE (DIST MTNG)/TREAS	67.00	
CORYDON POSTMASTER	POSTAGE/AUDITOR	165.40	
DOLLAR GENERAL-REG#410526	SUPPLIES/SHERIFF	122.15	
DOTTS, DAVID	MILEAGE/VA	18.00	
ELECTION SOURCE	PROGRAMMING/SPECIAL/AUDITOR	32.65	
GALLS, LLC	SUPPLIES/SHERIFF	482.94	
GEOCOMM INC	LICENSING & SERVICE/E911	2,925.00	
GOOD OL' DAYS	ADS/VA	680.42	
GRAND RIVER MUTUAL TELEPHONE C	SERVICE/E911	16.50	
GREAT WESTERN BANK-VISA	DONATION & DUES/VA	2,908.11	
GREEN, JACQUELINE	MILEAGE/VA	22.00	
HEALTHCARE FIRST	MAINTENANCE/PHN	1,673.27	
HOELTING, AARON	CELL PH/GEN SERVICE	35.00	
HY-VEE FOOD STORES	PROVISION/SHERIFF	478.83	
INFOMAX OFFICE SYSTEMS	SERVICE/NV	25.00	
INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	SHOP/SEC RDS	67.32	
IOWA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	ENGINEERING EQUIPMENT CALIBRATE-BEAM MAC	160.00	
IOWA STATE ASSOC. OF ASSESSOR	MEMBRSHP DUES/ASSESSOR	325.00	
IOWA WEED COMMISSIONERS' CONF	SCHOOLING FORTUNE/SEC RDS	180.00	
JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE, PROTECTION LP	SERVICE/SHERIFF	19.12	
KOHL WHOLESALE	PROVISION/SHERIFF	3,110.52	
KONE CHICAGO	ANNUAL MAINT/CTHSE	2,951.76	
LUCAS COUNTY AUDITOR	SERVICE/MED EXAMINER	150.00	

	GRAND TOTAL	125,229.30
ZIEGLER INC	PARTS/SEC RDS	3,173.12
XEROX FINANCIAL SERVICES	SERVICE/SHERIFF	128.25
WINDSTREAM LAKEDALE INC	SERVICE/E911	130.68
WILLADSON, MAXINE	MILEAGE/PHN	29.24
WAYNE COUNTY NEWSPAPERS	OUTREACH AD/VA	174.00
WAYNE COUNTY HOME CARE, AIDE AGENCY	SERVICE/PHN	5,488.00
WAYNE COUNTY HEALTH CKING ACCT	FLEX SPDNG FY22/EMPLY MED REIMB	3,100.00
WAYNE CO. PUBLIC HEALTH	SERVICE/SHERIFF	319.77
WASH-ECLAIR	SERVICE/SHERIFF	35.00
W R D LANDFILL	3RD QTR/ENVI PROG	7,640.00
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC	INCODE 10 FINANCIAL/DP	7,216.25
TWO-LEGGED STOOL, LLC	SHOP/SEC RDS	169.20
STAGGS, HUBERT	MILEAGE/VA	25.00
SOUTHERN IOWA OIL	DIESEL/OIL/SEC RDS	28,845.61
SOUTH COUNTY PROPERTIES LLC,	RENT/PHN	70.00
SOUTH CENTRAL IOWA MEDICAL CTR	TB TEST/NV	40.00
SMITH WELDING SUPPLY, S J	WELDING/SEC RDS	126.48
SHELTON, JENNIFER	MILEAGE/PHN	143.00
SEYMOUR HERALD	DEC OUTREACH AD/VA	783.76
SECRETARY OF STATE OFFICE	NOTRY FEE/SHERIFF	60.00
SEAMS, DONALD	HOTEL SCH(DS)/BOS	207.82
SCANTRON TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS	MAINT/DP	4,299.46
RHODES, DAVID	CELL PH/SANITATION	50.00
QUILL CORPORATION	SUPPLIES/AUDITOR	22.49
PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCOUNT,	PARTS94/SEC RDS	18.50
PETTY CASH - AUDITOR	POSTAGE/AUDITOR	26.95
PERRY, JOELLA	SUPPLIES/VA	349.90
ORKIN PEST CONTROL	SERVICE/NV	15.98
OHALLORAN	SHOP/SEC RDS	1,240.30
NORTHLAND BUSINESS SYSTEMS	LICENSE/SHERIFF	190.55
MOORE, SUSAN	MILEAGE/PHN	112.00
MIDWEST SANITATION & RECYCLING,	UTILITIES/NV	164.00
MIDWEST OFFICE TECHNOLOGY INC	MONTHLY MAINT/AUDITOR	229.10
MID-STATE ORGANIZED, CRIME INFORMATION		100.00
MFA OIL COMPANY (HUMESTON)	FUEL/CONSERVATION	20.68
MEYER LABORATORY INC.	SERVICE/SHERIFF	193.19 89.00
MEDIACOM	SUPPLIES/PHN SERVICE/NV	242.18
MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL	SERVICE/SHERIFF	19,163.00
MAINSTAY SYSTEMS OF IOWA LLC	CEDVICE/CHEDIEE	10 162 00

There being no further business the next Regular Scheduled meeting of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors will be held on the 7th day of February 2022, at 9:00AM in the Wayne County Courthouse Conference Room.

eurs - Deputy Andritor Seams made motion to adjourn at 10:23AM, seconded by Swearingin.

David Dotts, Chairperson Michelle Dooley, Auditor