

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023 9:00 A.M.

The Board met in session at the Linn County Jean Oxley Public Service Center. Present: Chairperson Zumbach and Supervisor Running-Marquardt. Absent: Vice Chairperson Rogers (personal business). Board members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted.

Chairperson Zumbach called the meeting to order.

Motion by Zumbach, seconded by Running-Marquardt to approve minutes of June 12, 2023 as printed.

The Board heard updates from the following Department Heads:

Brad Ketels, County Engineer - working through actions plans for strategic plan; budget update; two personnel vacancies; applying for the Federal Safe Streets and Road for All (SS4A) grant; third year of working with Kirkwood and sponsoring two high school students to gain experience and learn about real world job opportunities; Bertram Rd. bridge replacement; Coggon Rd. bridge replacement; Beverly Rd. asphalt paving project; road salt prices have increased; finished all of the rock overlays and spot rocking will continue as needed.

Supervisor Running-Marquardt thanked Ketels for his assistance in taking her to different county shop buildings and the ability to talk to those county employees as well as his work on the SS4A grant.

Carter Baldwin, LIFTS Dir. - **recent scheduling software challenges (looking at common software used by other counties)**; FY24 annual contract for service with ECICOG and the City of Cedar Rapids has been finalized and will be coming to the Board for approval; not much movement with the electric bus project; **working with the Sustainability Dept. and Alliant to obtain a quote for the installation of chargers for the electric bus project**; ongoing outreach project; working on developing a plan for Medicaid rides.

Supervisor Running-Marquardt thanked Baldwin for his efforts with the Medicaid rides and the innovation; his continued outreach to other counties and the tour of the LIFTS bldg.

Lisa Powell, Human Resources Dir. - Dayforce Performance module is now live; upcoming HR newsletter; new LC3 activity is being planned to get department heads and election officials together for an informal group discussion; GAPm survey was sent out this week; policy revisions coming to the Board in the next couples of weeks; HR Intern is leaving in mid-July; recruitment continues to be busy and exploring job advertising options; Diversity Certification Professional (CDP) program; running under estimated health and dental claims; worked with a video company to produce a promotional video for the county's wellness program; looking into the feasibility of providing legal services to employees as a voluntary benefit as well as a potential employee discount program; Deferred Compensation Program transition in progress.

Darrin Gage, Dir. of Policy & Admin. - budget update; will be advertising for vacant Deputy Dir. of Policy & Community Relations position; KPI's; working on updating various policies; Capital Improvement Projects including the final walk through on the properties on Hwy. 13 the county is purchasing that close July 7th; Phase 2 of the Secondary Roads Shop is underway; jail video visitation project is substantially complete; Treasurer's Office glazing project starts in July; architectural RPF for Secondary Roads Main Shop; upcoming Courthouse space needs study and research regarding parking on May's Island; replacing transactions counter on the third floor of the Harris Bldg.; potential annexation regarding Walford Rd. improvements; upcoming legislative report with county lobbyists; Facilities Director position has been filled with a July 24th start date.

Adjournment at 10:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor
By: Amanda Hoy, Executive Assistant

APPROVED BY:

LOUIS J. ZUMBACH, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors