

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2021 11:00 A.M.

The Board met in session at the Linn County Jean Oxley Public Service Center.
Present: Chairperson Walker, Vice Chairperson Rogers and Supervisor Zumbach. Board members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted.

Chairperson Walker called the meeting to order.

Motion by Walker, seconded by Zumbach to approve minutes of June 22 & 23, 2021 as printed.

Sara Bearrows, Budget Dir., and Dawn Jindrich, Finance Dir., presented a Vacancy Form requesting a Senior Accountant for the Finance & Budget Department. The Board will approve Wednesday.

Bearrows also discussed a resolution authorizing the transfer of \$5,000 from the Board Buildings appropriations, to the Facilities appropriations.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve resolution 2021-6-98
A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFER
WITHIN THE LINN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2021 ANNUAL BUDGET
WHEREAS, the Linn County Board of Supervisors previously approved the Linn County Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Budget; and,
WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is necessary to transfer appropriations within the Public Safety and Legal Services area of said budget; and,
WHEREAS, sufficient appropriations are available to provide for the necessary transfer; and,
WHEREAS, said transfer is within the Administration service area, and is made by resolution of the Board of Supervisors in accordance with Iowa Code Section 331.434(6).
NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Linn County Board of Supervisors that appropriations within the Linn County Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Budget are revised as follows:

Organization	Transfer
Facilities	\$5,000
Board Buildings	(\$5,000)

Nikki Finger, Deputy Treasurer, presented a Public Bidder Tax Sale Certificate Abatement Agreement for a property located at 4477 Usher's Ferry Rd NE, Cedar Rapids, IA. The Board will approve Wednesday.

Stephanie Lientz, Planning & Development, discussed a resolution amending the Application Fee Schedule for Linn County Planning and Development specifically concerning Renewable Energy Overlay District Rezoning fees. The Board will add an agenda item to Tuesday's agenda and will discuss again Wednesday.

Brent Oleson, Deputy Dir. of Policy & Comm. Relations, discussed authorizing Chair to sign a contract with Anderson Bogert for land surveying services related to the Secondary Roads Department District 1 shop relocation project (contract is being revised and he does not have it in his possession yet).

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to authorize Chair to sign a contract (once revisions are made) with Anderson Bogert for land surveying services related to the Secondary Roads Department District 1 shop relocation project.

Steve Estenson, Risk Mgr., discussed authorizing Chair to sign a Certificate of Self-Insurance for the Early Care and Education Supportive Services to increase access to extended day and year high-quality Wraparound Care for 3-5 year olds.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to authorize Chair to sign a Certificate of Self-Insurance for the Early Care and Education Supportive Services to increase access to extended day and year high-quality Wraparound Care for 3-5 year olds.

Estenson also discussed authorizing Chair to sign a Certificate of Self-Insurance for the Nurturing Parent Program-Long Term, to provide long-term home visitation family support services to Linn County families.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to authorize Chair to sign a Certificate of Self-Insurance for the Nurturing Parent Program-Long Term, to provide long-term home visitation family support services to Linn County families.

Estenson also discussed authorizing Chair to sign a Certificate of Self-Insurance for the Nurturing Parent Program-Short Term, to provide short-term home visitation family support services.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to authorize Chair to sign a Certificate of Self-Insurance for the Nurturing Parent Program-Short Term, to provide short-term home visitation family support services.

Public Comment:

Kelly Merta, 4194 Quail Ridge Rd, Center Point, thanked the Board for allowing them the public comment period. She discussed the storm on June 22nd that ruined widespread crops across the state including the velocity of the large hail that fell. She read a couple articles that indicated that 70% of the solar insurance losses in the last 10 years have occurred since 2017 and the destructive potential of hail noting that insurance premiums have increased over 400%. She continued to discuss the hail impact on solar panels. Merta questioned what would happen if a large hailstorm came through eastern Iowa after industrial insulation is built, how long does it take a developer for replacement after a large storm and who would clean it up. While waiting for cleanup what happens if there is more rain, does it impact well water or is there leeching. There is no data or research yet for the long-term impact of installations like what Linn County will have. She is speaking today representing herself and her family, as a mom and a wife, a farmer's daughter and a resident of Linn County. She continues to comment due to concerns about her home. Merta is an adjoining landowner and it will be in her backyard. She is concerned for the safety of her children with active construction sites and how much land the projects will consume along with the unknown consequences. She asked Board members if they are confident that Linn County is prepared and the residents, local economy and land will be safe.

Deb Yates, 2362 Young Rd, Palo, asked that the Board consider the moratorium since Planning and Development has realized that the size of the project is larger than they had planned. She thanked the Board for placing it on tomorrow's agenda.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Walker to approve Employment Change Roster (payroll authorizations) as follows:

FACILITIES

Custodian	Perfecto Trejo	Step increase 7/23/21 10D \$19.46+\$.25-10E \$20.95+\$.25
Custodian	Judith Adoma	Step increase 7/2/21 10C \$18.90+\$.25-10D \$19.46+\$.25

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Special Deputy	Jordan Harper	Termination/resignation 5/20/21
Communications Operator	Ryan Larson	Termination/resignation 6/9/21
Communications Operator	Arianne Torka	Termination/resignation 7/5/21
Deputy Sheriff	Brody Rawson	New hire 6/28/21 DB \$28.47 Repl B. Buzynski
Deputy Sheriff	Justin Uhde	New hire 6/28/21 DB \$28.47 Repl K. Ryan
Deputy Sheriff	Scott Jones	Step increase 7/3/21 D3 \$33.03-D4 \$34.27
Deputy Sheriff	Caleb Bullard	Step increase 7/23/21 D2 \$31.81-D3 \$33.03
Deputy Sheriff	Patrick O'Hare	Step increase 7/23/21 D2 \$31.81-D3 \$33.03
Deputy Sheriff	Brady Miller	Step increase 7/27/21 DB \$29.31-D1 \$30.59
Deputy Sheriff	Samuel Olson	Step increase 7/27/21 DB \$29.31-D1 \$30.59
Female Correctional Officer	Kaitlin Armstrong	Termination 6/19/21
Duty Officer	Aria Polglaze	Trf from Juvenile Detention 6/26/21 56B \$21.58+\$.25-56B \$21.83+\$.25 Repl B. Brecht
Senior Account Clerk	Tracy Von Sprecken	End of probation 7/4/21 55A \$19.48-55B \$20.44

LIFTS

LIFTS Driver	Daniel Lekin	Termination 6/16/21
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COMMUNITY SERVICES

Child Care Worker Substitute	Megan Schulte	Correction to effective date 6/28/21
Access Center Director	Erin Foster	Change to activity/function for wages 6/19/21 75% 20033, 25% 35000

PUBLIC HEALTH

Environ. Public Health Mgr	Shane Dodge	Correction to annual salary 6/26/21 \$104,412.00/annually-\$111,710.14/annually
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ENGINEERING

Temp Roadway Maint Worker	Mike Shoop	New hire - temporary 6/28/21 \$20.00/hour
Heavy Equipment Operator	Scott Powers	Step increase 6/23/21 19D \$26.42-19E \$28.54
Light Equipment Operator	Stewart Smith	Step increase 7/9/21 17D \$24.57-17E \$26.39

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve payroll deduction checks #71002866-#71002884 in the amt. of \$348,850.56; payroll deduction ACH in the amt. of \$24,817.19; and payroll wires in the amt. of \$1,843,821.02.

The Board received and placed on file an email from Laura Myres in opposition of the proposed solar project.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to appoint Virginia (Ginny) Maier as Clerk for Otter Creek Township to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2022.

Adjournment at 11:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor
By: Rhonda Betsworth, Deputy Auditor

Approved by:

STACEY WALKER, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors

