

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 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 and led the pledge of allegiance.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve Consent Agenda as follows:

Approve and authorize Chair to sign a Vacancy Form requesting an IT Project Manager for the IT Department.

Approve Assessment Year 2021 Business Property Tax Credit Allowances and Disallowances.

Approve and authorize Chair to sign, retroactive to September 15, 2021, a letter to Rachel Rockwell, Greater Cedar Rapids Community Foundation, in support of Foundation 2 Crisis Services for their Group Violence Intervention (GVI) proposal.

Receive and place on file the Linn County Outstanding Warrant Report submitted by Linn County Auditor's Office.

Resolution 2021-9-154 A Resolution approving a two-lot Residential Parcel Split to be named Dale Butz Subdivision. The following description is a summary of Resolution No. 2021-9-154 s passed and approved by Linn County Board of Supervisors, effective September 22, 2021. Dale Butz Subdivision (Case # JPS21-0014) to Linn County, Iowa, containing two (2) lots, numbered lot 1 and lettered lot A, a subdivision of real estate located in the NE SW of Section 24, Township 86 North, Range 8 West of the 5th P.M., Linn County, Iowa, described as follows:

Commencing at the N1/4 corner of Section 24, said point being also the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 89° 41 '32" West, along the north line of the NW1 / 4 of Section 24 and the centerline of Wileys Road, 488.99 feet; thence South 01 °371 0" East, 267.76 feet; thence North 89° 41 '32" East, 488.99 feet to a point on the east line of the NW1 / 4 of Section 24; thence, along said line, North 01 °371 0" West, 267.76 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 3.01 acres, of which, 0.37 acre is public road right-of-way. The above bearings are based on Iowa State Plane South Coordinates and all distances are horizontal ground distances.

The full text of the Resolution may be inspected in the Linn County Auditor's Office located at 935 Second Street SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday or on the Linn County website at www.linncounty.org

Authorize Chair to sign agency agreement between Linn County Community Services and Fresh Start Ministries for the RISE program for the period of 7/1/2021 through 6/30/2022.

Approve and authorize Chair to sign an "AmeriCorps Host Site Memorandum of Agreement" contracting Green Iowa AmeriCorps members from University of Northern Iowa/Green Iowa

Motion by Walker, seconded by Rogers to approve minutes of September 15, 20 & 21, 2021 as printed.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Walker to approve claims for AP checks #71004285-#71004354 in the amt. of \$189,470.80 and AP ACH in the amt. of \$662,489.31; and Athina Helle in the amt. of \$29.25 (no receipt).

Motion by Walker, seconded by Zumbach to approve payment to Marcia Rogers in the amts. of \$460 and \$330. VOTE: Walker & Zumbach - Aye Rogers - Abstain

Pramod Dwivedi, Public Health Dir., presented the following Covid 19 update by Public Health:

- Number of cases rising as well as hospitalizations. Increase in pediatric cases.
- Message remains the same: Get vaccinated and mask up.

Rogers asked about the status of vaccinations for ages 5-11 year olds (there is no guidance at this time). Discussion continued regarding the impact on nurses and doctors and workforce pressures at the hospitals.

Chairperson Walker noted that a student at a local college passed away from complications due to COVID and they are finding that the fastest rising increase in infections is young people and those unvaccinated are succumbing to the disease.

Jason Wright, Exec. Dir. of The History Center, gave a presentation for Legacy and Community Attraction Grant funding in the amount of \$40,000 - \$90,000. Also present: Rob Cook, Rick Fry, Fred Pilcher, Margaret Eicher and Peter Welch.

Lori Lane gave a presentation by the National Czech and Slovak Museum and Library for Legacy and Community Attraction Grant funding in the amount of \$25,000 - \$35,000. Also present: Jim Miller.

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Motion by Walker, seconded by Zumbach to approve final hearing and adopt Resolution 2021-9-155 ESTABLISH ASSESSMENT DISTRICT - WILDLIFE ROAD

WHEREAS, final hearing was held on the apportionment of the assessment of the cost of the secondary road assessment district, improvement of Wildlife Road from Lewis Access Road north approximately 1,295 feet to the end of the road in section 16-85-8, on September 22, 2021 and described below.

WHEREAS, said Board has determined that the Linn County Engineer's Report concerning said apportionment should be affirmed as an equitable and just apportionment, and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, Linn County, Iowa, this date met in lawful session, that the special assessment for above named Secondary Road Assessment District shall bear interest at the rate of three and one-half percent (3.5%) per annum commencing 20 days from the date of levy, and shall be collected at the September 30, 2022 semi-annual payment of ordinary taxes.

(Date of Levy being September 23, 2021.)

All that part of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 16-85-8, Linn County, Iowa described as follows: Beginning at the SW corner of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ said Section 16; thence North $0^{\circ} 43'$ East 578.7 feet along the West line of said NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$; thence South $41^{\circ} 28' \frac{1}{2}''$ East 507.5 feet; thence South $33^{\circ} 06' \frac{1}{2}''$ East 223.8 feet to a point on the South line of said NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$; thence South $88^{\circ} 39'$ West 465.8 feet along said South line to the point of beginning.

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Assessment</u>
Kerkman Homes and Land LLC	\$70,980.00

Motion by Zumbach, seconded by Rogers to adopt upon third and final consideration Ordinance Amendment #15-9-2021, rezoning case JR21-0004, request of Kari Shetterly, owner & Aaron Beik, petitioner, to rezone 0.11 acres located at 1636 Fox Hollow Road from the AG (Agricultural) zoning district to RR1 (Rural Residential 1-acre) district.

Public Comment: Eric Van Kerckhove, Mayor of Palo, read a letter that the Palo City Council sent to the Iowa Utilities Board in response to utility scale solar projects that are currently, and yet to be formally proposed/submitted in Linn County, specifically NextEra's project. Palo City Council does not support NextEra's Industrial Solar on the former Duane Arnold Energy Center site, or any of the additional 3,000+ acres of farmland NextEra intends to lease or has already leased for installation of their solar array(s).

Board Member Reports: Supervisor Rogers reported that he chaired the Area Substance Abuse Council meeting yesterday and participated in the Solid Waste Agency Board meeting as well. He continues to attend weekly meetings with various cities re: COVID-19. The Board has a Strategic Planning meeting tomorrow and will attend a variety of MHDD Regional Governance Board meetings.

Supervisor Zumbach attended Solid Waste Agency Board meeting; toured the Wapello solar site; attending a soil and water cover crop meeting and had the first in person MEDCO meeting on Tuesday. The Board's Strategic Planning meeting is tomorrow and his combine is waiting for him.

Adjournment at 11:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor
By: Rebecca Shoop, Deputy Auditor

Approved by:

STACEY WALKER, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors