

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2022**

At 9:01 a.m. Chairperson Richard Young called to order in regular session a meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors which took place in the Washington County Courthouse. The agenda included the following items: approval of agenda; public comment; employee recognition; expand scope of work being performed by Carl A. Nelson & Co. to include County Engineer schematic floor plan; letter of support for bridge replacement project involving the existing bridge at McKains Access on Dogwood Avenue that spans the Skunk River in the southwest portion of Washington County; personnel change request – Secondary Roads; application for fireworks permit – Camp Reece; Quarterly Report – Recorder; Quarterly Report – Auditor; department head comment; adjourn. Supervisors Marcus Fedler, Jack Seward, Jr., Bob Yoder, and Stan Stoops were also present.

Other individuals in attendance included the following: Jerry Edwards, KCII Radio; Kalen McCain, SE Iowa Union; Jacob Thorius, County Engineer; Jo Greiner, County Recorder; Lori Hobscheidt, County Public Health; Christy Tinnes, County Assessor; Shawn Ellingson and Randy Tinnes, County Sheriff's Office; Jeff Garrett, County Treasurer; and Mary Audia, Washington Economic Development Group Executive Director. Various other individuals participated by remote means.

All motions were passed unanimously by those Supervisors in attendance unless noted otherwise.

On motion by Stoops, seconded by Seward, the Board voted to approve the agenda as published.

There was no public comment related to agenda items.

While taking no formal action, the Board informally recognized and thanked the following individuals for their years of service to Washington County.

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Service</u>
Randy Tinnes	Sheriff	35
Jeff Garrett	Treasurer	25
Jo Greiner	Recorder	25
Lori Hobscheidt	Public Health	25
Christy Tinnes	Assessor	20
Jason Schlabaugh	Sheriff	<u>20</u>
	Total	150

The Board took up discussion regarding a proposed amendment to its contract agreement with Carl A. Nelson and Company to provide schematic floor plans for various County offices as part of a possible remodeling project. In its present form the contract does not include the Engineer's office. The additional cost to add the Engineer's office would not exceed \$1,000.00 according to language contained in the amendment and would result in a revised maximum amount of \$24,500.00 for the entire project. On motion by Seward, seconded by Stoops, the Board voted to accept a proposed amendment to its existing contract agreement with Carl A. Nelson and Company to include a schematic floor plan for the County Engineer's office.

On motion by Stoops, seconded by Yoder, the Board voted to approve a letter of support to the Iowa County Engineers Association 2022 Bridge Investment Program Grant Proposal for a bridge replacement project involving the existing bridge at McKains Access on Dogwood Avenue that spans the Skunk River in the southwest part of Washington County and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the letter on behalf of the Board. According to County Engineer Jacob Thorius a Bridge Improvement Program award of 70-80% of eligible project costs would enable Washington County to replace a bridge structure much sooner than if Washington County would have to save money over a period of 10 years in order to accumulate the funds necessary to finance the costs of bridge replacement.

On motion by Yoder, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted to acknowledge, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, a personnel change request from Secondary Roads for Justin A. Peterson whose final day of employment will occur July 22, 2022.

On motion by Seward, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted to approve an application for a fireworks permit from Camp Reece for August 4, 2022, from 9:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. with no rain date. The display will take place at the Lake Darling Youth Camp located in rural Brighton.

On motion by Seward, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted to acknowledge receipt of the Recorder's report for the 4th quarter of FY22 and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the report on behalf of the Board. The report, presented by County Recorder Jo Greiner, reflected revenues for the quarter in the amount of \$203,162.15 with the county retaining \$55,682.95. A total of 1,616 documents were recorded during the quarter and Greiner added that her office handled 43 marriage applications, 102 passport applications, and 1,565 boat, ATV and snowmobile renewals/registrations. Also during the quarter a total of 531 certified copies of birth certificates, death certificates, and marriage licenses were provided to the public. The complete report is available in the office of the Washington County Recorder.

On motion by Stoops, seconded by Seward, the Board voted to acknowledge receipt of the Auditor's report for the 4th quarter of FY22 and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the report on behalf of the Board. The report, presented by Auditor Dan Widmer, showed total revenue of \$1,936.00 for the quarter which consisted of \$1,865.00 from transfer fees, \$15.00 from the sale of plat books, \$46.00 for election services, \$10.00 for one fireworks permit, and \$45.00 for various GIS services. The complete report is available in the office of the Washington County Auditor.

There was no comment from department heads.

At 9:26 a.m. on motion by Yoder, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted to adjourn.

ATTEST:
JULY 19, 2022

RICHARD L. YOUNG, CHAIRPERSON
Washington County Board of Supervisors

DANIEL L. WIDMER
County Auditor