

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021**

At 9:00 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. Items on the agenda included the following: approval of agenda; public comment related to agenda items; closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would likely prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation; discussion and action regarding State of Iowa COVID Relief Funds; discussion and possible action regarding engagement proposal to retain Ann Smisek of Ahlers & Cooney, P.C.; department head comment; adjourn. Supervisors Jack Seward, Jr., Bob Yoder, Marcus Fedler, and Stan Stoops were also present.

Others attending were: Marissa Reisen, County Emergency Management Coordinator; Jacob Thorius, County Engineer; John Gish, County Attorney and Mary Audia, WEDG Director. Various other individuals listened and/or watched remotely by way of electronic 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.

At 9:05 a.m. on motion by Seward, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted to enter into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would likely prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation.

At 9:47 a.m. the Board returned to open session.

Fedler provided an update on efforts to determine priority needs and how to potentially address such needs with the use of State of Iowa COVID Relief Funds. At the present time final guidelines for the use of the funds are still in progress. However, in order to prepare for when final guidelines become available, Fedler advocated for the formation of various groups of individuals who will be tasked with identifying potential uses of the funds. The Board took no formal action.

On motion by Stoops, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted to enter into an agreement with Ann Smisek of Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., Des Moines, Iowa, to provide legal assistance as needed and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board.

There was no discussion from department heads.

At 10:00 a.m. on motion by Yoder, seconded by Seward, the Board voted to adjourn.

ATTEST:
June 1, 2021

RICHARD L. YOUNG
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

DANIEL L. WIDMER
County Auditor