

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2022**

At 9:00 a.m. Vice-Chairperson Bob Yoder 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; public hearing regarding proposed Minor Plat for Pioneer Prairie Subdivision; Resolution 22-43 regarding Dedication of Right-Of-Way Pioneer Prairie Subdivision; Resolution 22-41 regarding Acceptance and Approval of Minor Plat for Pioneer Prairie Subdivision; Quarterly Report – General Assistance; Quarterly Report – Veteran Affairs; Quarterly Report – Recorder; Quarterly Report of Fees Collected – Auditor; Quarterly Report of Fees Collected – Treasurer; Chapter 28E Agreement with City of Washington pertaining to parking ticket enforcement; Resolution 22-44 regarding Chapter 28E Agreement with City of Washington pertaining to collection of parking ticket fees; adjourn. Supervisors Marcus Fedler, and Jack Seward, Jr. were also present. Supervisors Richard Young and Stan Stoops were absent.

Other individuals in attendance included the following: Jerry Edwards, KCII Radio; Kalen McCain, SE Iowa Union; Cyndie Sinn, County IT/Budget Director; Tammy Stewart, Deputy Auditor; Jo Greiner, County Recorder; Jeff Garrett, County Treasurer; Sue Rich, County Veteran Affairs/General Assistance Director, Jim Lester, City of Washington Police Chief; Amber Williams, Board of Supervisors Administrative Assistant; and citizens Tony Slaymaker, Wynnette Slaymaker, Tom Anthony, Shoemaker Engineering; George Gerot, Abe Miller, and Rob Gerot. Various other individuals participated by remote means.

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

There was no public comment.

On motion by Fedler, seconded by Seward, the Board voted to open a public hearing regarding a proposed Minor Plat for Pioneer Prairie Subdivision. Deputy Auditor and Subdivision Coordinator Tammy Stewart stated that the purpose of the hearing was to consider an application for approval of a Minor Plat for the subdivision of an existing parcel in the unincorporated area of Washington County. The application for the proposed four lot subdivision was submitted by George and Michele Gerot, 1406 Tulip Avenue, Riverside, Iowa. The new lots are planned for 130th Street west of Tulip Avenue approximately three miles south of Riverside. According to Stewart notice of the hearing was published as required by Iowa Code and she added that the Auditor's office had received no public comment prior to the hearing. Tom Anthony, a surveyor with Shoemaker Engineering, provided some historical information regarding property located in close proximity to the proposed subdivision. Citizen Roger Gerot questioned whether he at some point in the future would have to make changes to his sewer system which at the current time drains onto the location of the proposed subdivision. Citizen Tony Slaymaker owns property that adjoins the proposed subdivision property and he questioned whether dirt work would occur that would alter the flow of rain runoff which he described as vital to the sustainability of his pond. On motion by Fedler, seconded by Seward, the Board voted to close the public hearing.

On motion by Seward, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted by way of roll call vote to approve Resolution 22-43 as follows and to authorize the Chairperson to sign Resolution 22-43 on behalf of the Board.

**RESOLUTION 22-43
DEDICATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY
FOR PIONEER PRAIRIE SUBDIVISION**

WHEREAS, George and Michele Gerot, husband and wife, do certify and state that they are the owners and proprietors of Pioneer Prairie Subdivision, consisting of four lots, located in the NE ¼ NW ¼ and NW¼ NE¼ of Section 32, Township 77 North, Range 8 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Washington County, Iowa, and

WHEREAS, the owners and proprietors of Pioneer Prairie Subdivision further state that the dedication of an additional 17-foot-wide strip of land, lying southerly, adjacent and contiguous to the existing 33-foot-wide road right-of-way along Pioneer Prairie Subdivision along 150 Street, 32-77-8, as shown in the final plat of Pioneer Prairie Subdivision to Washington County, Iowa, is with their free consent and desire, and

WHEREAS, a right-of-way easement in the above-described subdivision is hereby dedicated to Washington County, Iowa, for use as a public street as provided by Chapter 354 of the 2022 Code of Iowa, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of Washington County to accept the dedication of right-of-way easement from Pioneer Prairie Subdivision, Washington County, Iowa.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Iowa, that Washington County hereby approves and accepts the dedication of an additional 17 feet of Pioneer Prairie Subdivision shown on the Final Plan and Acquisition Plat for Public Road Easement to Washington County, Iowa.

On motion by Fedler, seconded by Seward, the Board voted by way of roll call vote to approve Resolution 22-41 as follows and to authorize the Chairperson to sign Resolution 22-41 on behalf of the Board.

**RESOLUTION 22-41
ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF MINOR PLAT
FOR PIONEER PRAIRIE SUBDIVISION**

WHEREAS, George and Michele Gerot, owners of the property described herein, wish to voluntarily subdivide the same property and have filed for approval of the Minor Plat of Pioneer Prairie Subdivision, a subdivision of real estate the part of which is described as follows, to wit:

“PIONEER PRAIRIE SUBDIVISION”

All of Auditor’s Parcel K and Auditor’s Parcel J located within the NE ¼ NW ¼ of Section 32, and all of lot 1 of Auditor’s Parcel located within the NW ¼ NE ¼ of Section 32, all in Township 77 North, Range 6 West of the 5th PM, Washington County, Iowa.

The property is located on 150th Street west of Tulip Avenue, approximately 4 miles south of Riverside. The owner is creating 4 lot subdivision for purposes of building new residences.

WHEREAS, Washington County, Iowa, has adopted a Subdivision Ordinance, per Chapter 354 of the Code of Iowa, as amended; and

WHEREAS, said plat, application and the submissions have been examined by the Washington County Board of Supervisors and the Washington County Subdivision Coordinator and have been found to conform to the requirements of the Washington County Subdivision Ordinance and County Standards and the requirements of other ordinances and with the laws of the State of Iowa governing such plats;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the subdivision as it appears on the Plat known as Pioneer Prairie Subdivision is hereby accepted and approved by the Washington County Board of Supervisors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairperson of the Washington County Board of Supervisors and the County Auditor are hereby authorized and directed to certify this Resolution which shall be affixed to the plat.

Washington County General Assistance Director Sue Rich presented the 1st quarter Washington County General Assistance report for FY23. She reported that during the quarter ten applications for benefits were received with nine of the applications being denied and one application being withdrawn. On motion by Seward, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted to acknowledge receipt of the FY23 1st Quarter General Assistance report. The complete report is available in the Auditor’s office.

Washington County Veteran Services Officer Sue Rich presented the 1st quarter Washington County Veteran Affairs report for FY23. She reported that during the quarter eight applications for benefits were received with six of the applications receiving approval, one application being denied, and one application being withdrawn. The six applications that were approved were for rental assistance, utility assistance, and food assistance and totaled \$1,369.40. On motion by Fedler, seconded by Seward, the Board voted to acknowledge receipt of the FY23 1st quarter Veteran Affairs report. The complete report is available in the Auditor’s office.

On motion by Seward, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted to acknowledge receipt of the Recorder’s 1st quarter report for FY23 and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the report on behalf of the Board. The report, presented by Recorder Jo Greiner, reflected revenues for the quarter in the amount of \$173,558.25 with the county retaining \$49,323.20. A total of 1,427 documents were recorded during the quarter and Greiner added that during the same period of time her office handled 43 marriage applications, 104 passport applications, 109 passport photographs, and 579 boat, ATV and snowmobile license renewals and new registrations. Finally, a total of 497 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 Fedler, seconded by Seward, the Board voted to acknowledge receipt of the Auditor’s report for the 1st quarter of FY23 and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the report on behalf of the Board. The report, presented by Auditor Dan Widmer, reflected revenues for the quarter in the amount of \$2,012.00. Of this total, \$1,820.00 resulted from transfer fees, \$130.00 from the sale of plat books, \$42.00 for copies, \$10.00 for election services, and \$10.00 for one fireworks permit. The complete report is available in the office of the Washington County Auditor.

On motion by Seward, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted to acknowledge the Treasurer’s 1st quarter report for FY23 and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the report on behalf of the Board. Highlights of the report, presented by Treasurer Jeff Garrett, included total motor vehicle fees of \$2,185,112.26 collected during the quarter with the county retaining \$67,966.32 (3.1%) of that total. The report listed other fees of \$291.00 that were collected which resulted in a total of \$68,257.32 in fees retained during the quarter. The complete report is available in the office of the Washington County Treasurer.

On motion by Seward, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted to approve a Chapter 28E Agreement with the City of Washington regarding the payment of fines resulting from parking violations that occur in the City of Washington. The agreement, among other things, authorizes the Washington County Treasurer to assist in the collection of delinquent parking tickets by enacting action which will prevent the owner of a vehicle from renewing his or her vehicle registration(s) until such time as payment of the delinquent ticket(s) takes place. The complete Chapter 28E agreement is available by contacting the City of Washington or the Washington County Treasurer.

On motion by Seward, seconded by Fedler, the Board voted by way of roll call vote to approve Resolution 22-44 as follows and to authorize the Chairperson to sign Resolution 22-44 on behalf of the Board.

RESOLUTION 22-44

**APPROVAL OF CHAPTER 28E AGREEMENT – PARKING TICKET ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, IOWA AND THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, IOWA**

WHEREAS, there is presented the Chapter 28E Agreement – Parking Ticket Enforcement Agreement between the City of Washington, Iowa and the County of Washington, Iowa, which is attached as Exhibit A to this resolution and incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds that the approval and execution of this Agreement will serve the public interest.

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Washington County Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. The Washington County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Chapter 28E Agreement – Parking Ticket Enforcement Agreement between the City of Washington, Iowa and the County of Washington, Iowa which is attached as Exhibit A to this Resolution.
2. The Chairperson and the County Treasurer are hereby authorized to execute the Chapter 28E Agreement – Parking Ticket Enforcement Agreement between the City of Washington, Iowa and the County of Washington, Iowa on behalf of Washington County, Iowa.
3. Any resolution or part thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this resolution is repealed.

Auditor Dan Widmer provided a time line, with regard to the upcoming November 8, 2022, General Election, for citizens wishing to vote by way of absentee ballot prior to Election Day.

There was no comment from department heads.

At 9:50 a.m. on motion by Fedler, seconded by Seward, the Board voted to adjourn.

ATTEST:
October 18, 2022

ROBERTY C. YODER, VICE-CHAIRPERSON
Washington County Board of Supervisors

DANIEL L. WIDMER
County Auditor