

October 17, 2023 9:00 a.m.

The Jones County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Present Chairman Swisher, Supervisors Oswald, Rohwedder, Schlarmann, and Zirkelbach.

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Zirkelbach to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2023 meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Schlarmann to approve payroll for the period ending October 8, 2023. All aye. Motion carried.

The Facilities Maintenance Director met with the Board to discuss various maintenance matters.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Rohwedder to open bids for Courthouse and Broadway Place snow removal at 9:00 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Two bids were received from the following:

- Dakota Starn
 - o \$200 per snow removal for drives and parking lots at 500 W. Main St.
 - o \$200 per snow removal for drives and parking lots at 105 Broadway Place & 601 N. High St.
 - o \$100 per truck load for snow to be hauled off property premises on an as requested basis only.
- Shawn Sams
 - o \$250 per snow removal for drives and parking lots at 500 W. Main St.
 - o \$200 per snow removal for drives and parking lots at 105 Broadway Place & 601 N. High St.
 - o \$1500 for snow to be hauled off property premises on an as requested basis only.

Moved by Schlarmann seconded by Zirkelbach to award the snow removal bid to Dakota Starn. All aye. Motion carried. [2023-142]

Discussion was held regarding options for a sand/salt spreader for the tractor at the Courthouse.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Schlarmann to authorize the purchase of a SaltDogg spreader from Home Depot. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Oswald to approve the accumulation of compensatory time for the Facilities Maintenance Director for winter snow removal and weekend boiler checks. All aye. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding options for new trees for the Courthouse lawn.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Rohwedder to authorize the spending of up to \$1,000 for the purchase of up to 5 trees for the Courthouse lawn. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Rohwedder to make of record the Auditor's appointment of Jan Hoag and Sandra Kremer for temporary election related help at \$14.25 per hour effective October 9, 2023. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Zirkelbach to approve a letter of support for the Jones County Historical Society to apply for a Jones County Community Foundation Grant to improve safety and make repairs to Edinburgh Pioneer Village. All aye. Motion carried. [2023-143]

Moved by Oswald seconded by Schlarmann to approve and place on file the Sheriff's Report of Fees Collected for the quarter ending September 30, 2023, and the Recorder's Report of Fees Collected for the quarter ending September 30, 2023. All aye. Motion carried. [2023-144, 2023-145]

Moved by Rohwedder seconded by Zirkelbach to acknowledge receipt of a revised manure management plan from Focus Farms, LLC, facility #64071, for a facility located in Section 10 of Rome Township, with the County Auditor to retain the document in a temporary file for public access for one year. All aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Rohwedder introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Zirkelbach. On roll call vote: Schlarmann aye, Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Oswald aye, Swisher aye, whereupon the Chairman declared the resolution passed and adopted.

ELY'S STONE BRIDGE RESOLUTION - AMENDED

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2017, the Jones County Board of Supervisors passed a resolution titled "Ely's Stone Bridge Resolution". In said resolution, the Board of Supervisors resolved:

- Jones County would retain ownership of said bridge
- Ely's Stone Bridge is no longer under the supervision and control of the Secondary Roads Department, but instead be under the exclusive supervision and control of the Jones County Historical Preservation Commission
- Ely's Stone Bridge shall remain closed to all motorized vehicles indefinitely, and shall not be re-opened until it is safe for all motorized vehicles, with counsel from the Jones County Engineer, at which time the control and supervision of the bridge would go back to the Secondary Roads Department.
- Jones County Historic Preservation Commission is authorized to do all within their powers to secure funding to preservice Ely's Stone Bridge.

WHEREAS, upon further discussion with all parties, the Board of Supervisors and the Jones County Historic Preservation Commission believe it is in the best interests of all parties, and the best interest of the Ely's Stone Bridge to amend the resolution of June 6, 2017 to change the end goal for the bridge and to include the following change:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the passing of this resolution, all repairs and application for funding should include that the bridge will be used for recreational purposes only including but not limited to a park and/or pedestrian and bicycle trail.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon repairs that deem the bridge safe for recreational purposes, the control and supervision of the bridge shall be turned over to the Board of Supervisors who will then determine which county department will be responsible for the maintenance of said bridge.

The County Attorney met with the Board to discuss a potential pipeline ordinance.

The Engineer and Assistant to the Engineer met with the Board to give updates on various road projects.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to open the public hearing at 9:38 a.m. to vacate and close that portion of former U.S. Primary 151 located on the northeasterly side of Anamosa, Jones County, Iowa, described as follows:

Part of Auditor's Parcel 98-80 in former Military Road and U.S. 151 as shown in Jones County Engineer's Records of a petition for survey in 1863 and described in an easement for public highway recorded in Book 92 at Page 402 of the Jones County Recorder. 0.39 acres in the N.W. ¼ of the N.W. ¼ of Section 1 and 0.48 acres in the N.E. ¼ of the N.E. ¼ of Section 2, all located in Township 84 North, Range 4 West of the 5th Principal Meridian, Jones County, Iowa containing a total of 0.88 acres of road right-of-way.

All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Schlarmann to close the public hearing at 9:41 a.m. On roll call vote: Schlarmann aye, Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Oswald aye, Swisher aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Zirkelbach introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Rohwedder. On roll call vote: Schlarmann aye, Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Oswald aye, Swisher aye, whereupon the Chairman declared the resolution passed and adopted.

RESOLUTION AND FINAL ORDER OF ROAD VACATION

WHEREAS, this being the date and time set for a hearing on a proposal to vacate and close a road segment on the Jones County Secondary Road System described as follows:

Part of Auditor's Parcel 98-80 in former Military Road and U.S. 151 as shown in Jones County Engineer's Records of a petition for survey in 1863 and described in an easement for public highway recorded in Book 92 at Page 402 of the Jones County Recorder. 0.39 acres in the N.W. ¼ of the N.W. ¼ of Section 1 and 0.48 acres in the N.E. ¼ of the N.E. ¼ of Section 2, all located in Township 84 North, Range 4 West of the 5th Principal Meridian, Jones County, Iowa containing a total of 0.88 acres of road right-of-way.

WHEREAS, all utilities presently located within the rights of way of the road being vacated shall retain their right to continue in possession of a rights of way in use at the time of the road vacation; and

WHEREAS, no objections have been received, either in writing or by persons present;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Jones County Board of Supervisors that in accordance with Code of Iowa, Chapter 306, the subject segment of road is ordered vacated and closed. [2023-146]

The Board gave brief reports on past and future committee meetings.

Moved by Schlarmann seconded by Rohwedder to go into closed session at 9:57 a.m. per Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1) (j.) to discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for that property. On roll call vote: Schlarmann aye, Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Oswald aye, Swisher aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Schlarmann to exit closed session at 11:23 a.m. On roll call vote: Schlarmann aye, Zirkelbach aye, Rohwedder aye, Oswald aye, Swisher aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Schlarmann seconded by Oswald to adjourn the meeting at 11:23 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Attest: Whitney Hein, Auditor

Jeff Swisher, Chairman