

Board Minutes Monday February 1, 2021

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:30am February 1, 2021 with Vick, Ashbacher, Vermace, and Langreck in person; and Beard present electronically.

Lee Bjerke, County Engineer, met with the Board to discuss road matters.

Moved by Vermace and seconded by Vick to adopt resolution 21-57, setting the reimbursement multipliers for right-of-way purchases as calculated by the County Assessor. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Moved by Beard and seconded by Vermace to table the rezoning request by Lennon pending the applicant seeking review and approval from the Planning and Zoning (P&Z) Commission for construction in the Bluff Protection Overlay Zone pursuant to section 708.5(1) of the Zoning Ordinance and pending receipt of findings by P&Z on the six criteria that are to be considered under Section 708.5(3) and the requirements under Section 708.6 of the Zoning Ordinance, along with other pertinent information on this issue provided by the applicant and/or P&Z. Upon receipt of that record from P&Z, the BOS would reschedule the public hearing on the pending rezoning request. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Moved by Vermace and seconded by Langreck to approve the consent agenda which includes the minutes of the last meeting and to accept and file the quarterly report of the County Sheriff. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Langreck and seconded by Vick to open the public hearing on the proposed rezoning request by Brummond. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Tony Phillips, Planning and Zoning Administrator, reviewed the application and action taken by the Planning and Zoning Commission. The P&Z Commission recommended approval of the rezoning request on a vote of six to one. Brummond described the proposed project. The Board reviewed additional comments that were received individually or by letter. No additional verbal comments were received. Moved by Langreck and seconded by Vick to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Moved by Vermace and seconded by Beard to hold the first reading of the proposed zoning ordinance amendment. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote, and the reading was held. Moved by Vermace and seconded by Vick to waive the additional readings. Motion carried unanimously. Moved by Vermace and seconded by Vick to adopt ordinance 21-236, the rezoning of the property as requested. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. The Ordinance will be on file in the County Auditor's and Recorder's offices and be published as required by law.

Scott Logsdon, Recycling Supervisor, met with the Board to discuss the process for hiring an additional full time staff. After the prior manager resigned and Logsdon was promoted, his position as Recycling Assistant was not filled. The department has been operating with additional part-time staff to fill the vacant position, but are having difficulties with scheduling. The Board gave its consensus to proceed with the hiring process.

Krista Vanden Brink, Public Health Director, and Sean Snyder, Emergency Management Coordinator, met with the Board to give COVID19 updates.

Tom Madden, SEH Engineering, met with the Board to give updates on the Festina Sewer project and present an agreement for engineering services related to the project. Moved by Vermace and seconded by Vick to enter into contract with SEH Engineering for the services described. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Langreck and seconded by Vick to open the public hearing on the proposed Sewer Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Ben Steines, County Auditor, reviewed the financial procedures related to the Festina Sewer project as outlined by Dorsey & Whitney, bonding attorneys, and Spear Financial, financial advisors. No written or verbal comments were received. Moved by Langreck and seconded by Vick to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Moved by Beard and seconded by Vermace to adopt resolution 21-58, the loan and disbursement agreement, as presented and authorize Ashbacher to sign the note. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Complete resolution will be on file in the County Auditor's office.

Moved by Beard and seconded by Vermace to reappoint Kim Glock and Melinda Hanson to the Judicial Magistrate Commission for six year terms. Motion carried unanimously. The Board will try to contact Jessica Wenthold to see if she would be willing to be reappointed, and if not, will work on recruiting other potential members.

Andy Van Der Maaten, County Attorney, met with the Board to discuss county issues.

Moved by Beard and seconded by Vick to approve the easements prepared by the County Attorney for the Upper Iowa River Flood Reduction program. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board discuss several budget related items.

Moved by Langreck and seconded by Vick to adjourn to 9:30am Monday, February 8, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

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Benjamin D Steines
County Auditor

Floyd Ashbacher, Chair
Board of Supervisors