

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MARCH SESSION OF
THE BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS
OF IOWA COUNTY, WISCONSIN

The meeting was held in person and via electronic videoconferencing/teleconferencing.

The Board of Supervisors met in the Health and Human Services Center Community Room in the City of Dodgeville on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable John M. Meyers, Chair of the Board.

The Board, in unison, led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll call:

Members attending in person: Doug Richter, Stephen Deal, Susan Storti, Daniel Nankee, Ron Benish, David Gollon, Curt Peterson, Joan Davis, Brenda Hlavac, Bruce Haag, Roger Geisking, Richard Rolfsmeyer, Mike Peterson, John Meyers, Kimberly Alan, Jeremy Meek, Don Gander, Justin O'Brien, Don Leix, Mel Masters and Kevin Butteris.

Via Zoom:

Approval of Agenda: Sup. Storti moved to approve the agenda. Sup. Nankee seconded.
Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Approval of Minutes: Sup. Benish moved to approve the minutes. Sup. Haag seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Special matters and announcements.

- SWWRPC Winter 2022 Newsletter. (set out)

Comments from the public

- Matt Allen- Candidate for Iowa County Circuit Judge
- Frank Polizzi – Wind Turbines/Tourism
- Deirdre Birmingham – Wind Turbines
- Roberta Barham – Wind Turbines
- John Knicker – Wind Turbines (Green Cty)
- Jean Luedke – Wind Turbines
- Jane Batha – Wind Turbines(Zoom)
- Dena Kurt – Wind Turbines (Grant Cty)
- George Schwarzmenn – Wind Turbines
- Phillip Ross – Pattern, LLC

Administrator Bierke presented Joyce Ley, Housekeeping, Bloomfield Healthcare & Rehabilitation on her retirement with a Certificate of Appreciation and a gift card from the County for her 46 years of employment with Iowa County.

Administrator Bierke recognized Randy Sudmeier, Operations Manager, Highway Department on his retirement. He will receive a Certificate of Appreciation and a gift card from the County.

The board reviewed the summary of cost of the Law Enforcement Center.

Public Works Committee

Sup. Storti moved to approve the Quit Claim Deed of Highway Right of Way Along STH 23. Sup. Deal seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Sup. Deal moved to approve Resolution No. 1-322 Supporting the Limited Access Study Preferred Alternatives for Future Proposed Improvements along USH/151 between Dodgeville and Verona. Sup. Gollon seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Discussion of Ordinance No. 600.06 Annual County Vehicle Registration Fee. Sup. Nankee moved to continue and review in eight(8) years. Sup. Benish seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Sup. Masters moved to approve Resolution No. 2-322 Directing Specific Funding for Highway Road and Bridge Improvements. Sup. Storti seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Sup. Davis moved approve Resolution No. 3-322 Designating Work Zone Safety Awareness Week as April 11th-15th, 2022. Sup. Haag seconded. Motion carried

Aye-21 Nay-0

Long Range Planning Committee

Sup. Deal moved to approve Resolution No. 4-322 Recommending Transfer of Funds in 2022 from the Iowa County General Fund Balance to the Capital Projects Fund for the Costs Associated with an Appraisal of the Bloomfield Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center Property.

Sup. M. Peterson seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Sup. Storti moved to approve Resolution No. 5-322 Amending the 2022 Capital Projects Fund Budget. Sup. Deal seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

General Government Committee

Sup. Benish moved to approve Resolution No. 6-322 Establishing the 2023-2026 Compensation for Sheriff, Clerk of Court and Coroner. Sup. Nankee seconded. Sup. Haag moved to amend the Coroner's Salary to \$9,000 in 2025. Sup. Davis seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Vote on amended resolution. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Sup. C. Peterson moved to approve the Agreement Between Iowa County and the Wisconsin Professional Police Association (Sheriff's office). Sup. Benish seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Executive Committee

Sup. Benish moved to approve Resolution No. 7-322 Establishing a Public-Private Partnership to Facilitate the Deployment of Affordable, Reliable, High-Speed Internet Services Throughout the County. Sup. Storti seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Sup. Rolfsmeyer moved to approve Resolution No. 8-322 Supporting Public Service Commission of Wisconsin Broadband Grant Applications and Matching Funds Commitment for Broadband Projects. Sup. Masters seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Sup. Storti moved to approve Resolution No. 9-322 Approving Revenue Bond Financing for Bug Tussel 1, LLC. Sup. Deal seconded. Mitchell Olson, Bug Tussel 1, LLC answered questions relating to the project. Atty. Morzenti addressed the board concerning financing/revenue. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Sup. Deal moved to approve changes to the Iowa County Committee Structure and Committee appointments. Sup. Storti seconded. Discussion followed. Sup. Deal moved to amend with additional changes to include: SW Regional Planning: a) Size of the Commission: 15 – 3 from each county (County Board Chair or their designee as approved by the County Board and 2 more members appointed by the County Board. Bloomfield Commission: The Commission serves as the fiduciary agent for segregated funds such as the Campbell fund. Sup. Davis seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Vote on amended Committee Structure Changes: Motion carried

Aye-21 Nay-0

Sup. Gollon moved to deny Resolution No. 10-322 Directing Certain Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (JEDI) Efforts and send back to committee. Sup. Deal seconded. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

County Administrator Bierke gave a brief report.

Chair Meyers spoke about the upcoming election and thanked the outgoing board members for their service.

Sup. Benish spoke about his experiences of being a County Board member.

Mileage and Per Diem Report for this March 15, 2022 Session of the Board was presented.

21 Members 516 Miles and Per Diem \$1,151.86

Sup. Deal moved to approve. Sup. Nankee seconded. Motion carried.

Aye-21 Nay-0

Sup. Benish moved to adjourn to April 19, 2022. Sup. Alan seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

John M Meyers
John M. Meyers, Chair

Kristy K. Spurley, County Clerk