PROCEEDINGS OF THE NOVEMBER 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, November 10, 2020 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 was taken: 16 members present, 5 missing. Dewan Jenkins, Curt Peterson, Doug Richter and Ricky Rolfsmeyer were excused. Alex Ray was absent.

Members attending in person: Stephen Deal, Susan Storti, Daniel Nankee, Ronald Benish, David Gollon, John Meyers, Jeremy Meek (arrived after roll call), Don Leix, Mel Masters and Kevin Butteris.

Members attending remotely: Judy Lindholm, Joan Davis, Bruce Haag, Justin O'Brien, Mike Peterson and Bruce Paull.

Sup. Benish moved to approve the amended agenda for this November 10, 2020 meeting. Sup. Nankee seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-15 Nay-0

Sup. M. Peterson moved to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2020 meeting. Sup. Storti seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-15 Nay-0

Sup. Meek entered the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Pam Steffes attended the meeting by Zoom. Administrator Bierke recognized Pam on her retirement after working 22 years at the Sheriff's Department. Larry will present to Pam a Certificate of Appreciation and a Gift Card from the County.

Special matters and announcements.

Sup. Paull spoke on an Iowa County Drug Court success story.

Public Comments:

• Sup. O'Brien informed the Board that the book Citizen, a gift from the Shake Rag Alley Center for the arts, by author Claudia Rankine that was set out examines race relations through poetry.

Wisconsin Counties Association Representative Daniel Bahr presented the WCA Outstanding Legislator Award to Senator Howard Marklien.

Sup. Benish moved to adopt Amendatory Ordinances 1-1120 and 2-1120 as a group. Sup. Storti seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16 Nay-0

Amendatory Ordinance No. 1-1120 for a land use change to rezone 7.02 acres from A-1 Agricultural to RB-1 Recreational Business to be considered consolidated with adjacent RB-1 land; and to rezone 6.49 acres from RB-1 Recreational Business to A-1 Agricultural to be considered consolidated with adjacent A-1 in the Town of Clyde was adopted.

Amendatory Ordinance No. 2-1120 for a land use change to rezone 2.6 acres from AR-1 Agricultural Residential to B-2 Highway Business and 30.834 acres from AR-1 Agricultural Residential to AB-1 Agricultural Business in the Town of Pulaski was adopted.

County Administrator Larry Bierke gave a report to the Board.

Iowa County Budget:

Sup. Gollon moved to adopt amended Resolution No. 4 -1120 County Aid Town Road Bridge Construction Under Section 82.08 of the Statutes. Sup. Benish seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16 Nay-0

Sup. Deal moved to adopt Resolution No. 5-1120 Notice on Intent to Issue Financing Regarding the Purchase of Highway Equipment. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16 Nay-0

Sup. Davis moved to adopt Resolution No. 6-1120 Notice on Intent to Issue Financing Regarding the Purchase of Capital Projects. Sup. Storti seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16 Nay-0

Sup. Nankee moved to adopt Resolution No. 7-1120 Carrying Over Certain Accounts from the 2020 Budget for use in 2021. Sup. Meek seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16 Nay-0

The Public Hearing on the 2021 proposed budget was published to begin at 7:00 p.m. Because it was only 6:18 p.m. the consensus of the Board was to skip to agenda item #20 and to keep going through the agenda until approximately 7:00 p.m.

Planning & Zoning Committee:

Sup. Gollon moved to adopt Amendatory Ordinance No. 3-1120 Revising Appendix J2 of the Iowa County Comprehensive Plan to Designate the City of Mineral Point Extraterritorial Area as Farmland Preservation Area. Sup. Leix seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16 Nay-0

Public Works Committee:

Sup. Masters moved to approve the County-State Highland Salt Shed Lease Agreement. Sup. Benish seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16 Nay-0

Executive Committee:

Sup. Haag moved to approve the request for a Utility Easement on the courthouse parking lot. Sup. Deal seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16

Nay-0

Other:

Chair Meyers did not have a report for the Board.

Mileage and Per Diem Report for this November 10, 2020 Session of the Board was presented.

16 Members

650 Miles

\$864.40 Mileage and Per Diem

Sup. M. Peterson moved to approve the report.

Sup. Nankee seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16

Nay-0

Sup. Masters moved to convene in closed session pursuant to section 19.85(l)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. (Update on negotiations with Upland Hills Health regarding public properties and investment of public funds). Corporation Counsel Dave Morzenti and Administrator Larry Bierke were asked to attend the session. Sup. Storti seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

Aye-16

Nay-0

Entered closed session at 6:24 p.m.

Sup. Gollon moved to return to open session. Sup. Storti seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

Aye-16

Nay-0

Entered open session at 7:08 p.m.

Action was taken on the closed session item.

Sup. Benish moved to discontinue negotiations with Upland Hills Health concerning the nursing home project. Sup. Gollon seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16

Nay-0

A Public Hearing was held on the proposed Iowa County 2021 budget starting at 7:13 p.m.

There were no comments made during the Public Hearing.

The Public Hearing ended at 7:14 p.m.

Sup. Haag moved to adopt Resolution No. 8-1120 To Approve the Budgets and Approve Funds for the County of Iowa for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2021 and Ending December 31, 2021. Sup. Deal seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16

Nay-0

Sup. Masters moved to adopt Resolution No. 9-1120 Authorizing the 2020 Tax Levy for the 2021 Budget. Sup. Storti seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16 Nay-0

Sup. Haag moved to convene in closed session pursuant to section 19.85(1)(c), Wisconsin Statutes, to consider employment, promotion, compensation or preference evaluation data of any employee over which the government body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. (County Administrator annual performance evaluation and compensation.) Employee Relations Director Allison Leitzinger and Larry Bierke were asked to attend the session. Sup. Benish seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

Aye-16 Nay-0

Entered closed session at 7:19 p.m.

Sup. Gollon moved to return to open session. Sup. Masters seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

Aye-16 Nay-0

Entered open session at 8:15 p.m.

Action was taken on the closed session item.

Sup. moved to increase the County Administrator's compensation by 2.5% and provide a 2.5% bonus. Sup. Masters seconded the motion. Carried.

Aye-16 Nay-0

Sup. Benish moved to adjourn to December 15, 2020. Sup. Storti seconded the motion. Carried. Aye-16 Nay-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

John M. Meyers, Chair

Greg Klusendorf, County Clerk