

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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The Jefferson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on January 10, 2022. Present were Commissioners David Christy, Lynn Luck, Richard Malm and County Clerk, Linda M Buttron. Counselor Josh Ney was absent.

Vouchers were reviewed and approved by the Board. Lynn moved that the minutes of January 3 be approved as presented. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Reorganization of the Board was held. Richard moved that the Courthouse hours remain the same. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Richard moved that the official newspaper continue to be the Oskaloosa Independent. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Richard moved that the official banks be as listed by the County Treasurer: Bank of Oskaloosa, Kendall State Bank, Union State Bank, Denison State Bank, Mutual Savings Association, First State Bank and Trust and the Kansas Municipal Investment Pool. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Lynn moved that Richard be nominated as the Chair and David be nominated as Vice-Chair. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Treasurer Lisa Buerman presented three bids on the County property located at 310 Hamilton St., Oskaloosa. Carolyn Schultz, CA Snyder and Michael Boyd were bidders. Carolyn Schultz bid \$36,000, CA Snyder bid \$39,683, Michael Boyd bid \$23,992. Richard moved that the Board accept the high bid of \$39,683 from CA Snyder. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Lisa asked that the Board increase the publication fee for sealed bids from \$200 to \$300. David moved that the Board approve the increase. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Health Department Administrator Crystal VanHoutan gave a COVID update to the Board. In the last 10 days Jefferson County has had 239 new cases, up from 128 last period. Jefferson County's % positivity is 25.8%. This is an increase from 14.96% last week. The hospital capacity in the northeast region is 116 total staffed ICU beds. One hundred five (105) of those are being used at this time. There have been three cases of the Omicron Variant sequenced by KDHE in the County however, Crystal believes there are more cases, they were just not sequenced by

KDHE. She reported that schools are having a lot of cases and kids out of school. Crystal strongly recommended that people wear masks and social distance due to the speed of the spread of Omicron virus. The Board agreed by consensus that they would strongly recommend masks be worn.

Richard moved that the Board sign an agreement for services with the Guidance Center for 2022 support in the amount of \$82,392, (as was requested in their 2022 budget request). Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Kelly Woodward, Community Development Director presented zoning cases to the Board for consideration.

CU2021-03 King's Construction a request to consider a Conditional Use application for a rock quarry at an existing commercial site located on the west side of US 59 highway between Fairview Rd and McCall Drive. this request being brought by owner King's Construction, Inc. of 205 Walnut, Oskaloosa. This case was heard on September 13 and tabled until the reclamation plan is provided in writing. The reclamation plan was received by the zoning office on December 21. Kelly reviewed the plan submitted with the Board. No one was present from King's Construction. Richard moved that the case be tabled for two weeks (January 24) and King's be required to be present for that date (due to the fact that the request is for a rock quarry). David seconded. Richard voted in favor. David voted in favor. Lynn opposed.

DP3032-04 and Z2021-18 – Paydon Shaw- a request to consider a development plan application for a self-storage and RV boat storage business at 7465 K-92 Hwy, Ozawkie. Also a request to rezone from Suburban Residential to IP-1 (Planned Light Industrial). The owners were not present for the case. Richard moved that the request be approved as presented. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Richard moved that Resolution Z2021-18 be approved. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

PR2021-011 and Z2021-20 Chris and Melissa Rhodes – a request to consider a preliminary and final plat of the Rhodes Pecan Ridge Subdivision located on the southwest corner of Osage Rd and 82<sup>nd</sup> St where the smallest lot is 17.67 acres. Chris Rhodes was present for the discussion. David moved that the plats be approved as revised on 12/29/2021 and to accept the dedication of right of way easements. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Richard moved that Resolution Z2021-20 be approved. David seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

PR2021-10 and Z2021-19 A request by Michael and Laura Lash to consider a preliminary and final plat of the Ivory Towers Subdivision located at the southeast corner of Wellman Rd and 118<sup>th</sup> St. Michael and Laura Lash were present for the discussion. There were valid protest petitions presented in the case. Michael Lash, 771 South Cherry Street, Gardner, spoke in favor of the request. Jeff Kilgo, 11567 Wellman Rd., McLouth spoke in opposition to the request. Debbie Nickels, 17100 Fairview Rd, McLouth spoke in opposition to the request. Candace Braksick, 11262 Wellman Rd., McLouth, spoke in opposition to the request. Mary Luse, 16786 126<sup>th</sup> St, Winchester spoke in opposition to the request. Lynn moved that the Board follow the Planning Commission recommendation of denial of the request. David indicated he would second only because of lack of information on the driveway locations. David voted in favor of denial of the request. Lynn voted in favor of denial of the request. Richard voted against denial of the request.

There being no further business to come before the Board they adjourned to meet in regular session on January 24, 2022.