

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. February 9, 2021 with the following members present: Smith, Bell, Gaul, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Agne. Members of the public were also present.

The Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence from: Home Health Division Manager Knox submitted a Notice of New Hire for Mary Sue McKillip starting on 2/3/2021 for Home Care Aide position at a rate of pay \$15.53. Home Health Division Manager Knox submitted a Notice of Voluntary Resignation for Tari Laing, Home Health Aide, effective 2/5/2021.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on February 5, 2021 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #426254 for \$625.78-self funded medical claims.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bell to approve the agenda.
Ayes: All

Chairperson Agne addressed the public for comments and there were none.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve the Board Minutes of February 2, 2021.
Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Smith seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve Claim Disbursements #426096 - #426253 paid on February 4, 2021.
Ayes: All

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve the Semi-Annual Settlement Report of the Board of Supervisors submitted by the County Treasurer.
Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve the FY2020 Cost Allocation Plan.
Ayes: All

At 8:45 a.m. Sherri Hunt, Director of the Cedar/Jones Early Childhood Iowa met with the Board to provide information on services the organization provides to the community. Hunt has been the Director since 2003 and when the merge occurred in 2012 with Jones and Cedar County she continued with the role. Hunt provided a handout to the Board and explained the following programs: Preschool Scholarships, Child Care Alliance Response Team, I-Smile Program Expansion, Child Care Nurse Consultant, Dolly Parton Imagination Library and Child Care Provider Quality Improvement Supports. Cedar/Jones Early Childhood Iowa Priorities are: Improve access to quality early care and education opportunities, Promote the development of a local mental health system that identifies and addresses the needs of young children & their families, and support a dental health system that meets the needs of young children and their families. Discussion was held regarding the fiscal agent responsibilities. The Board requested Hunt to provide a bullet point proposal regarding the fiscal agent.

At 9:30 a.m. Maggie Burger called into the board meeting to discuss the bond timeline and FY22 levy amount. Burger provided handouts and explained the timeline and FY22 levy amount. Discussion was held. Burger requested the Board to provide to her how many years for the repayment of the bonds by March 2nd. The Board informed Burger that Sheriff Wethington and EMA Director Freet are scheduled to meet with the Board on February 16th and will have estimated dollar for the 911 communication project. The Board will forward this information to Burger at that time. Burger explained to have the "not to exceed" to be higher for the flexibility of the premium because the actual amount that will be borrowed will only be the cost of needs and issuance. Burger explained the proposed timeline and the importance of it regarding holding

required public hearings, including the debt service levy in the FY22 budget, bond sale and bond proceeds to pay for the payment in FY22. The Board thanked Burger and the call was concluded. Further discussion was held.

The board recessed for ten minutes.

The Board requested HIPAA Compliance Officer Tischuk and Public Health Director Walker to meet with the Board and provide an update on the scheduling software. Walker will not be hiring temporary staff to answer phone calls due to the constant information changing throughout the day. Walker has increased hours of a current part-time employee to assist in answering the phone calls. Walker informed the Board that they have partnered with Mercy, Unity Point and two pharmacies for administering the vaccine. Discussion was held regarding the on-line software. Tischuk informed the Board that she has not received a reply from Roger Shindell, CAROSH Compliance. A phone call was placed to Shindell. Shindell explained to the Board he is actively pursuing additional information although it is difficult to contact Acuity due to the only way of communication is via email. The Board inquired if Cedar County was the only one utilizing this software of his clients. Shindell replied, no, although Cedar County is the only client that contacted him for approval. Shindell stated this is more of a security issue than a privacy issue. Discussion was held on the county liability of the online scheduling with Shindell. Shindell explained if the Board decided to utilize the program prior to receiving the approval from Shindell the county would not be liable. If Shindell does report to the Board this software is not compliant, at that time the county would need to stop using the program or mitigate the risk. Shindell informed the Board he will continue with his investigation and update the Board with his findings. The call concluded with Shindell. Discussion was held regarding the Cyber Insurance Policy the county has with Gallagher if a breach were to occur if the county would be covered. A phone call was placed with Judy Funk, representative of Heartland Insurance. Funk stated she has forwarded on the information she received from Tischuk to Gallagher Insurance. The call concluded with Funk. Discussion was held on how to expedite the approval from the Board, when Gallagher has approved the Acuity online scheduling agreement.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to authorize and allow the chair to sign the Business Associate Agreement with Acuity, with Gallagher's approval.

Ayes: All

Walker provided a COVID update regarding the current Governor's Proclamation. Walker stated some businesses are continuing to follow the recommendation of wearing a mask. She stated it is a difficult time to lift the mask mandate due to the shipment of vaccine is slow to receive. Walker stated it is up to the public to make their own decision.

Engineer Fangmann met with the Board for approval on bridge inspections and dust control. Fangmann stated for 2021 there are 203 bridge inspections and for 2022 there will be 211 bridge inspections. The inspections vary each year.

Moved by Sup. Bell seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve the contract for 2021 and 2022 Cedar County Bridge Inspection and Rating Program.

Ayes: All

Fangmann informed the board the maintenance policy for the Application of Dust Control is the same as last year. If the weather cooperates in the Spring, the application deadline would be April 30th for the May 15th application and May 28th for the June 12th application.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve the 2021 Maintenance Policy for Application of Dust Control.

Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. seconded by Sup. to adjourn at 11:35 a.m., to February 16, 2021.

Ayes: All

Cari A. Dauber, Auditor

Steve Agne, Chairperson