

May 19, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the board met via conference call with the call originating out of the Page County IT office. Present were Jon Herzberg, Alan Armstrong, and Chuck Morris. On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong, the board approved the agenda. Present from the public were Kory Kline, Beth Steeve, Brenda Esaias, Angie Dow, Ryan Matheny, Tom Nordhues, Kris Grebert, Jess Erdman, Lisa Nelson, John Van Nostrand, Judy Kennedy, Darin Sunderman, JD King, John Schwab, Lyle Palmer, and Andrew Hoppmann.

The board asked Public Health and the Safety Coordinator for an update regarding the COVID-19 update. Jess Erdman, Public Health Director, stated businesses have been allowed to open back up with restrictions in place. Erdman stated the importance of completing Test Iowa. Erdman continued to recommend social distancing and wearing a mask. Tom Nordhues, Safety Coordinator, still thinks it is important to wear a mask and gloves when meeting with customers. Erdman thinks taking temperatures is vital. Angie Dow, Treasurer, provided an update to the board and asked the board to open the Treasurer's Office. Dow stated they are averaging 16 title transfers a day. They are allowing driver's license renewals by appointment only. She stated driver's license renewals and vehicle registrations are down significantly. The board discussed and feels that the best way to proceed is by appointment only. They would like Dow to try by appointment only first. Dow stated she can try by appointment only and see if it works better. Nordhues stated he has been working on secondary roads projects. Auditor Wellhausen discussed that the courthouse maintenance staff is already overwhelmed with the additional cleaning and would not have time to assist with screening customers at the door. Dow stated she has a part-time employee that may be able to help screen customers. Esaias stated her office is now accepting appointments for passports, and it is working well.

On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong, the board moved to approve opening the public hearing at 9:00 am for the FY 2020 budget amendment. Auditor Wellhausen went through the budget amendment for the 2020 budget. The budget amendment entails the change for the EWP projects, with a county match of \$292,500. It includes increases in revenues and offsetting expenses for conservation. It also includes the purchase of new laptops to replace the election laptops used for COVID-19 to ensure social distancing. There were no public comments. On a motion by Armstrong, seconded by Herzberg, the board moved to close the public hearing at 9:03 am. On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong, the board moved to approve the budget amendment for FY2020.

RESOLUTION #24-2020

**RECORD OF HEARING AND DETERMINATION ON THE BUDGET AMENDMENT
And CHANGE OF APPROPRIATIONS**

On this 19th day of May, the Page County Board of Supervisors met in session for the purpose of amending the current operating budget adopted March 5, 2019. The notice and time and place of hearing was published on May 6th and 7th, 2020. The amendment was taken up and considered and taxpayers heard for or against the amendment as follows and amendment passed unanimously:

Expenditures	From	To	Difference
County Environment & Education	505,812	557,563	51,751
Roads and Transportation	4,773,500	4,473,500	(300,000)
Administration	1,625,279	1,637,279	12,000
Capital Projects	2,600,000	4,850,000	2,250,000
Total	9,504,591	11,518,342	2,013,751
Revenues			
Intergovernmental	6,543,887	8,245,865	1,701,978
Miscellaneous	278,909	286,182	7,273

Total	6,822,796	8,532,047	1,709,251
Appropriations			
Conservation	378,212	429,963	51,751
Secondary Roads	7,373,500	7,666,000	292,500
IT	245,746	257,746	12,000
Total	7,997,458	8,353,709	356,251

Revenue and expenses increased in Veterans Affairs for grants. Conservation revenue and expenses increased due to donations for Pierce, Rapp Park, and REAP funding. Revenue and expenses increased for the sheriff's department.

Dated this 19th day of May, 2020.

ATTEST:

Melissa Wellhausen
Page County Auditor

Chuck Morris
Alan Armstrong
Jon W. Herzberg
Page County Board of Supervisors

King provided the secondary roads update. Blades are out in six districts, and rock is being hauled on several roads. The spray patcher is working on the Hawleyville Road. King stated the magnet is in the shop being repaired. The water truck has been repaired, as there was a valve leak. Truck #55 had a hydraulic leak and will be repaired this week. The Northboro Truss project is underway. King stated EWP projects have been consuming the secondary roads department's time. King stated he moved money around regarding the EWP projects. King reminded the board the amendment is due to adding the EWP projects this year. He stated he does not feel all of this money will be spent this year. On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong, the board moved to approve NRCS Form ADS-78 "Assurances Relating to Real Property Acquisition" for EWP Program- Project 2. King discussed the DOT budget amendment, and that this is moving money around inside the budget to meet DOT guidelines. On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong, the board moved to approve the FY2020 DOT budget amendment. Herzberg stated Bruce Eichhorst stated there is a street in Yorktown where there is water running underneath the seal coat road. He stated he feels it is cutting across the road, and heavy loads might fall through.

The board discussed the need to fill Katy King's vacancy on the Conservation Board, which will expire at the end of 2021. The board had two applications for the vacancy: Erin Montgomery and Rebecca Meyer. On a motion by Armstrong, seconded by Herzberg, the board moved to appoint Rebecca Meyer.

On a motion by Armstrong, seconded by Herzberg, the board moved to approve to place Avenue of Flags at the Sheriff's Office.

Andrew Hoppmann with the Clarinda Lied Library provided the board with an update regarding the library. He stated the libraries have been going through their library book inventory, painting, and taking continued education. They have found many ways to still offer services to patrons.

The board next discussed the steps for the county annex building. Morris stated he does not feel a big remodeling project is in the cards for the next budget year. Herzberg stated he feels the remodel needs to be done, and dispatch still needs to move to the annex. Armstrong stated he would like to see Morris move forward with moving Public Health to the new facility. On a motion by Armstrong, seconded by Herzberg, the board moved to approve moving offices to the new facility without a major renovation. Herzberg, aye, Morris, aye, Armstrong, aye. Motion carried 3 to 0. Morris stated he will be committed to making the move happen as soon as possible.

On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong, the board moved to approve the use of the courthouse lawn on Tuesdays and Saturdays from June 2nd through October 13th for the Farmer's Market.

Judy Kennedy asked if the new building will it be safe for dispatchers to provide services during a tornado. Morris stated there is space they can go to during poor weather conditions and still be safe. Steeve stated it may be better to do the building remodel in increments because plans change.

On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong the board moved to approve the minutes from May 12, 2020.

On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong, with no further business, the board adjourned at 10:20 am and will meet again Tuesday, May 26, 2020.

Chuck Morris, Chairman

Melissa Wellhausen

Page County Board of Supervisors

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