

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2020 11:00 A.M.

The Board met in session at the Linn County Jean Oxley Public Service Center.
Present: Chairperson Rogers, Vice Chairperson Oleson and Supervisor Walker (via phone). Board members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted.

Chairperson Rogers called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve Consent Agenda as follows:

Receive and place on file Treasurer's Semi-Annual Report and Semi-Annual Settlement Report from January 1, 2020 - June 30, 2020.

Approve and authorize Chair to sign two applications for county-initiated Land Use Map amendment and rezoning for the Dows Farm property.

Approve and authorize Chair to electronically sign the annual Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification between the Linn County Sheriff's Office and Departments of Justice and Treasury ending June 30, 2021

Approve and authorize Chair to sign 36 month lease agreement at \$239.77 a month with Gordon Flesch Inc. for a copier for the Auditor's Office.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve minutes of August 24, 2020 as printed.

The Board discussed actions related to the storm of August 10, 2020 as follows:

- Tour of all county buildings on insurance policy has been completed. Adjusters have been on site to verify damage or no damage.
- FEMA Zoom meeting today for jurisdictions affected by the storm.
- Wood chips - working on what to do with them.
- County phone system is still down. Has been escalated within the Windstream structure. US Cellular has provided cell phones (at no charge). One phone per department.
- Signage for debris drop off sites for rural residents. CR Signs quote is \$4,250. Another quote is being obtained.
- EOC meetings have been cancelled.

Pramod Dwivedi, Public Health Dir., gave the following update on Linn County's response to COVID-19:

- Trained 10 new contact tracers (40 total).
- Staff working long hours.
- Linn County has had 2,782 positive cases; 2,516 have recovered; 187 active cases and 91 deaths.

Auditor Joel Miller (via phone) asked the Board to designate election drop boxes as county-provided accessories of the Linn County Auditor's office to accept absentee voting materials for the 2020 general election. He also asked the Board to make this retroactive to April 23, 2020 because the drop box was placed in front of the Public Service Building at that time.

Motion by Oleson, seconded by Rogers to approve request by Auditor Joel Miller to designate election drop boxes as county-provided accessories of the Linn County Auditor's office to accept absentee voting materials for the 2020 general election retroactive to April 23, 2020.

Motion by Oleson, seconded by Rogers to approve Claims #70615419-#70615447 in the amt. of \$29,549.56 and ACH in the amt. of \$436,027.01.

Adjournment at 11:24 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor
By: Rebecca Shoop, Deputy Auditor

Approved by:

BEN ROGERS, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors