

Chairman Mark Behrens convened the adjourned session with Feucht, Koedam, Birkey, and Herman present. The Board of Supervisors of Lyon County, Iowa, met electronically, pursuant to Iowa Code 21.8, whereby "a meeting in person is impossible or impractical". Meetings are being held electronically due to the COVID-19 epidemic and the County is adhering to the recommendations of the IDPH and CDC. Those present in boardroom were: Chairman Mark Behrens, Jerry Birkey, Steve Herman, Merle Koedam, Josh Feucht, and Auditor Jen Smit. Department heads present via teleconference: Laura Sievers, Amy Borman, Lisa Rockhill, Marilee Schleusner, Shayne Mayer, Arden Kopischke, Russ Hopp, Eldon Kruse, and New Century Press. Motion carried assumes unanimous vote unless otherwise stated.

EMA Arden Kopischke gave a COVID-19 update for Lyon County. Kopischke reported that Lyon County has 4 new cases. Kopischke stated he has been working with DNR to determine how they will start to deal with 16,000 to 20,000 head of deceased livestock between Lyon and Sioux counties. Kopischke states they have also been talking about the possible rise in mental health issues and domestic abuse due to the livestock situations. Departments reported how preparations for opening are going. Attorney Mayer stated that the court system is wondering what Lyon County's plan is for reopening the courthouse. The Board states they will need to talk about plans to reopen and will discuss the template they were sent. The Board will meet again next week for another update.

The minutes of the May 12, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Birkey to approve minutes, seconded by Koedam. Motion carried.

Supervisor Koedam attended the site survey for the Dale Rozeboom expansion in Rock Township Section 31. Motion by Birkey, second by Koedam to approve and sign DNR approval letter. Motion carried.

Attorney Shayne Mayer requested that the Board move into Closed Session per 21.5(1)(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation and possible action. Motion by Herman, second by Birkey to enter closed session. The Board went into closed session at 9:12 am

Motion by Birkey, second by Feucht to end closed session. Motion carried. Closed session ended at 9:28 am.

Motion by Herman, second by Feucht to rescind the vote made 5-12-2020 and approve Capps to make the offer recommended in closed session. Roll Call vote: District 1 Feucht Support, District 2 Koedam Support, District 3 Behrens Support, District 4 Birkey Support, and District 5 Herman Support. Motion carried. Mayer will contact Capps and let him know the results of the vote.

Mayer and the Board discussed the temporary engineer agreement with Sioux County and what should be included. The Board discussed management of the department during the time a temporary engineer is serving the county. Sioux County Engineer Doug Julius joined the meeting to discuss the possibility of Julius serving as a temporary engineer for Lyon County. Julius informed the Board that in 2012, when he helped Lyon County previously, he came up to Lyon County about a half a day a week to check in at the office to see how things

were going. He stated he talked with the Board and lot of the work was done by phone. Behrens asked about projects coming up and stated that the Board will be meeting 2 times a month starting in June. The Sioux County Board also meets on Tuesdays, so Julius thought there might be a need to make some schedule changes. Julius would like to meet with foremen of shops to see what is going on with the crews for the week, same as with techs and office manager to be able to know what is going on in the office and for projects. Behrens stated that Lyon County has a road superintendent but does not have shop foremen. Julius would like a list from each shop weekly as to what the weekly work projects look like. Julius would help with construction work but does not want to get involved with personnel issues (hiring and/or discipline). Julius stated he is willing to help with the hiring of a new engineer. Julius will meet with office staff when first starting to introduce himself and let staff know what expectations are. Julius states he will need to look at what hourly rates/mileage would be and get that information to Mayer for the agreement. A draft agreement will be drawn up and shared with Julius and the Board. If the draft is agreeable to Julius, Sioux County, and Lyon County it will be put on the May 26th agenda. The Board thanked Julius for calling in.

County Engineer Laura Sievers stated that FEMA projects - Beloit hill, abutment on Ibex, culvert on 250th by Doon, will need an engineer to signoff or work with plans along route. The county needs an engineer for these projects Kyle Peters is working outside of his scope. Sievers stated the Board could hire a licensed engineer to oversee these projects in the event Julius isn't willing to be that involved. FEMA has been willing in the past to give extensions to projects and Sievers will check with homeland security to see where those projects are at.

Rock Rapids City Administrator Jordan Kordahl joined the Board meeting to discuss the possibility of the County financially contributing to the East Street bridge replacement. Kordahl explained that the county needs to determine whether the county wishes to participate in the project. Behrens asked when the county would have to determine if they were committing financially to the project. Kordahl stated it would be the end of August at the earliest. Kordahl stated that if the county decides not to partner with the project, the city will wait for a more detailed cost estimate and determine at that time whether the city can move forward with the project and cost. Motion by Herman to be a partner in the project subject to the final cost of the project and the County's financial standing at the time, second by Koedam. Rollcall vote: District 5 Herman Support, District 4 Birkey Nay, District 3 Behrens Support, District 2 Koedam Support, District 1 Feucht Nay. Motion carried.

Toby Ageson and County Engineer Laura Sievers requested the Board consider changing 5 yield sign locations to stop sign locations. The locations are: 2 at the intersection of Eagle Avenue and 120th St, 1 at Elder Avenue and 120th St, and 2 at Apple Avenue and Bridge St by Beloit. Motion by Birkey, second by Koedam to change the locations above to stop signs. Motion carried. Signs will be changed once the stop sign resolutions are updated and approved by the Board in the following weeks.

Sievers stated that Bridge 58R on Cherry Avenue was damaged by a driver going over the bridge. A bridge panel and guardrail needed to be replaced. The bridge was fixed and the contractor, Prahm came in under the estimate. Bahnsen Farms's Insurance stated that they would pay \$38,716.749 per an investigative company's research. This payment leaves the county \$7,297.32

short on the cost of fixing the bridge. Sievers wants to know if the Board wants to accept the insurance amount. The Board feels that someone should talk with Damon Bahnson to see if this can be rectified. Supervisor Koedam will talk with Mr. Bahnson to see something can be worked out.

Chairman Behrens left the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Supervisor correspondence: Behrens - Landfill mtg;

Employment changes: none.

There being no further business there was a motion by Birkey, seconded by Koedam to adjourn. Motion carried.

NOTE: These minutes are as recorded by the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors and are subject to approval at the next regular meeting.