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

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

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

Approve and authorize Chair to sign a Vacancy Form requesting two Temporary Engineering Interns for the Secondary Road Department.

Approve and authorize Chair to sign a Vacancy Form requesting four Temporary Roadway Maintenance Workers for the Secondary Road Department.

Approve and authorize Chair to sign a Vacancy Form requesting a temporary Clerk for the Purchasing Department.

Place on file the Sheriff’s Quarterly Report for July 1 to September 30, 2019 totaling $1,455,693.

Receive and place on file Auditor’s Quarterly Report for the quarter ending 12/31/19, in the amount of $6,498.79. Total Auditor transfer fees deposited by Recorder with the County Treasurer in the amount of $11,790.00.

Resolution 2020-1-11
A Resolution approving a Land Preservation Parcel Split to be named Wittenburg’s First Addition.

The following description is a summary of Resolution No. 2020-1-11 as passed and approved by Linn County Board of Supervisors, effective January 29th, 2020.

Wittenburg’s First Addition (Case # JLP519-0004) to Linn County, Iowa, containing three (3) lots, numbered lot 1 and lettered outlots A and B, a subdivision of real estate located in the NW1/4 of Section 12, Township 84 North, Range 6 West of the 5th P.M., Linn County, Iowa, described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Section 12; thence North 89°13' 12'' East 306.19 feet along the North line of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Plat of Survey #1316, as filed for record in Book 6212, Page 467 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Linn County, Iowa; thence South 0° 47' 00'' East 204.40 feet along the West line of said Plat of Survey #1316 to the Southwest corner thereof; the following three courses and distances run the Southerly boundary of said Plat of Survey #1316: thence North 89° 13' 06'' East 241.52 feet; thence North 0° 46' 54'' West 3.40 feet; thence North 89° 13' 06'' East 23.92 feet to the Southeast corner of said Plat of Survey #1316; thence North 00 44' 21'' West 200.99 feet along the East line of said Plat of Survey #1316 to the Northeast corner thereof; thence North 89° 13' 12'' East 759.05 feet along the North line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to the Northeast corner thereof; thence South 1° 32' 47'' West 1326.93 feet along the East line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to the Southeast corner thereof; thence South 89° 21' 21'' West 1328.40 feet along the South line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to the Southwest corner thereof; thence North 1° 36' 37'' West 1323.80 feet along the West line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to the point of beginning, containing 39.22 acres, subject to easements, covenants and restrictions of record.

The full text of the Resolution may be inspected in the Linn County Auditor’s Office located at 935 Second Street SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday or on the Linn County website at www.linncounty.org

Resolution 2020-1-12
APPROVING A PROPERTY USE REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO UTILIZE FACILITIES IN THE FORMER LINN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH BUILDING FROM JANUARY 26 – FEBRUARY 9, 2020

WHEREAS, Phoebe Trepp, Executive Director for Willis Dady Homeless Services, has requested permission to use showers at the former Linn County Public Health Building from January 26 – February 9, 2020 for the purpose of supporting the operations of the cold weather overflow shelter at the Linn County Fillmore Building; and,

WHEREAS, the Linn County Facilities Department and the Risk Management Department have recommended approval of this request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Linn County, Iowa, that the above request is herewith approved subject to the following conditions:

1. The personnel sponsoring the above-described property use will follow the direction as given by the Linn County employees.

2. The personnel sponsoring the requested activity will oversee the proper conduct of clients and participants.

3. The applicant will provide Linn County with a Certificate of Insurance and execute a Hold Harmless Agreement related to the above-described property use.

Approve and authorize Chair to sign Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Amendment #1 for the Iowa Department of Transportation Secondary Roads Budget.

Approve and authorize the Linn County Conservation Director to sign an Application for a Site Development Plan for 7212 E Avenue NW, Cedar Rapids related to the Morgan Creek County Park redevelopment project.
Approve and authorize the Linn County Conservation Director to sign the following agreements between the City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa and the Linn County Conservation Board: an Agreement for Private Sanitary Sewer Facilities; an Agreement for Sanitary Sewer and Water Service Connection Fees; and an Agreement for Private Water Main Facilities, all related to Morgan Creek County Park redevelopment, and to sign all applications and permits which may be required by the City of Cedar Rapids, related directly to the Morgan Creek Park redevelopment project.

Approve and authorize Chair to sign the Conditional Use Permit Application as owner of the property, for a Conditional Use Permit for Prospect Meadows, Inc. to operate a seasonal paintball course at the Prospect Meadows Baseball Field, located at 1850 Prospect Drive.

Approve and authorize Chair to sign contracts for rock at the following shop locations:
- Alice Shop to Wendling Quarries, Inc. in the amount of $231,937.50
- Drexler Shop to Wendling Quarries, Inc. in the amount of $113,812.50
- Main Shop to Wendling Quarries, Inc. in the amount of $115,687.50
- Morgan Creek Shop to Crawford Quarry in the amount of $110,700.00
- Toddville Shop to Wendling Quarries, Inc. in the amount of $171,875.00
- Walford Shop to Wendling Quarries, Inc. in the amount of $62,850.00
- Whittier Shop to Weber Stone Co. in the amount of $100,137.50

Authorize Chair to sign 36 month lease at $223.52 with Advanced Systems, Inc. for a copier for the Treasurer’s Office.

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Authorize Chair to sign 36 month lease at $157.43 with Advanced Systems, Inc. for a copier for the Assessor’s Office.

Authorize Chair to sign purchase order #5607 for $20,775.00 to Siemens for the annual maintenance on the FLIR (DVTel) camera system for IT.

Motion by Oleson, seconded by Walker to approve minutes of January 27, 2020 as printed.

Caleb Mason and John Witt, City of Cedar Rapids, summarized their request from Monday for consent by Linn County to include a portion of land in Linn County on the proposed amended Stone Creek Urban Renewal Area for the purpose of constructing a roundabout at the intersection of Williams Boulevard SW and Dean Road SW.

Motion by Oleson, seconded by Walker to approve consent by Linn County to include a portion of land in Linn County on the proposed amended Stone Creek Urban Renewal Area for the purpose of constructing a roundabout at the intersection of Williams Boulevard SW and Dean Road SW.

Rob Peck, Design Dynamics, presented plans and specifications for the Fillmore Building Roof and Building Improvement Project. Bids will be received on February 27 at 5:00 p.m. and opened on March 2 at 10:00 a.m. The total amount of the project (including contingency) is $909,500.00.

Chairperson Rogers stated that he toured the Fillmore Building this morning and strongly encouraged fellow board members to do the same.

Discussion continued regarding future upgrades in the building and next use of the building.

Garth Fagerbakke, Facilities Manager, stated that the electrical that is on the roof is being replaced as it is a major portion of the project and affects HVAC (currently not doing any HVAC work).

Darrin Gage, Dir. of Policy & Admin., stated that the southern wing is slated to be a Homeless Day Center (showers and office space for service providers). The Abbe Center plans to continue their use of space and would like to expand into 3,000 sq. ft. of office area that was previously Child Development Center space. Estimates depend on how much build out but could be another million.
Supervisor Oleson voiced concerns about a continued financial drain on the county but was not opposed to suggested uses.

Ashley Balius, General Assistance Dir., stated that there is a committee pursuing different funding sources to assist with building improvements in hopes to contribute to key changes to the building.

Motion by Oleson, seconded by Walker to approve plans and specifications, authorize the notice to bidders, set the public hearing date, and set the bid filling date for the Fillmore Building Roof and Building Improvement Project.

Motion by Oleson, seconded by Walker to set public hearing for the LIFTS/Future Line Building Renovation Project for February 24, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Dawn Jindrich, Financial Dir., gave a recap of the East Central Region Board meeting last week. Linn County requested funding for the Mental Health Access Center and the Region Board approved $1.2 million for the two access centers (Linn County and Johnson County). Linn County asked for $857,000 which does not include Substance Abuse treatment funding in the amount of $661,000. This will have to come from the county’s general supplemental levy and is included in the list of Offers that will be discussed this afternoon.

Erin Foster, Mental Health Access Center Dir., stated there is no medical detox facility outside of the hospital in Linn County. There is a very large need and requires the most staffing. She stated that she is extremely optimistic that the state will jump on board.

Jeannette Archer-Simons, ASAC Exec. Dir., explained delivering services for substance abuse disorder at an Access Center. She noted that funding sources are not there and that is what is creating the shortfall.

Supervisor Oleson asked several questions and noted that he doesn’t want to appear opposed, but has been asked the same questions by constituents.

Chairperson Rogers stated that it is a risk for Linn County to take but it is a worthy one considering eight other counties are helping to subsidize it. He added that as they endeavor to try to improve the human condition, substance abuse treatment has to be a part of it. This will be a model and worthy of an additional tax ask.

Motion by Oleson, seconded by Rogers to approve Claims #70612603-#70612657 in the amt. of $70,649.47 and ACH in the amt. of $484,143.36.

Board Member Reports - Supervisor Oleson reported that the MPO is working on Hwy. 100 trail segments; Solid Waste Agency continues to work on the sixth cell issue; meetings are being held regarding the recreational management of Mt. Trashmore; working with Central City for a public input session regarding the removal of a portion of the dam; was asked by Congresswoman Finkenauer for a list of projects as she works on an infrastructure bill; had some meetings with various agencies (History Center, Linn County Fair, History Center) regarding lumping together their budget line items into one.

Chairperson Rogers reported that he toured the overflow shelter at the Fillmore Building this morning and recommended that fellow board members do the same; and attended Early Childhood Iowa meeting.

The Board recessed at 10:55 a.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. to discuss the FY 21 budget including debt service and Offers. Also present: Dawn Jindrich, Finance Dir. and Sara Bearrows, Budget Dir.

Sheriff - Revised budget to increase revenue by $116,000 for psychiatric nurse reimbursement from the East Central Region.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve Sheriff FY 21 revenue in the amount of $7,085,600.

Board Other - Appropriations are under Board guidelines by $20,007. A lengthy discussion continued regarding a proposal from Supervisor Oleson to group the line items that have been specific to certain organizations into one line item to be accessed competitively. Oleson will present his proposal on Friday.

Supervisor Walker also suggested a separate appropriation for membership type organizations.

Jindrich gave a recap of the current levy, which is $5.84/1,000. They are looking at $6.30/1,000 to include debt service but no Offer pot.
The Board agreed to discuss the levy and the Offer pot on Monday, February 3 and Wednesday, February 5.

Adjournment at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Approved by:

BEN ROGERS, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors