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.

The Board discussed actions related to the storm of August 10, 2020.

- Contract signed with Adjuster’s International for assistance with insurance claim
- Meeting tomorrow to review damages to county buildings
- Will need consent for contract with the FEMA consultant

Britt Hutchins, Purchasing Dir., presented a contract with Tetra Tech for debris monitoring for an amount not to exceed $626,198.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve contract with Tetra Tech for an amount not to exceed $626,198.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve Class C Liquor License for BK’s Bar, 803 Vernon Valley Dr., Cedar Rapids, noting all conditions have been met.

Les Beck, Planning & Development, discussed request by Ahmann Companies to extend response date for Dows Farm Master Developer RFP until October 16th. The Board will approve Wednesday.

Darrin Gage, Dir. of Policy & Admin., discussed the County Attorney’s office remodel project with Falk Built in the amount of $94,258.96.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve contract with Falk Built in the amount of $94,258.96.

Update on issues related to Linn County’s response to COVID-19.

- Healthcare and first responders/law enforcement are only eligible for reimbursement starting September 15th
- Public Health suggests moving forward with temperature screenings
- Two temperature self-check stations have been ordered (will order three more)

Dawn Jindrich, Finance Dir., presented an Iowa COVID-19 Government Relief Fund in the amount of $2,874,180.29 noting that the funds will come as a direct deposit from the Department of Revenue.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve Resolution 2020-9-102

RESOLUTION REQUESTING REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE IOWA COVID-19 GOVERNMENT RELIEF FUND

WHEREAS, the United States Congress approved the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to provide economic relief related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

WHEREAS, Governor Kim Reynolds allocated $125 million of the State of Iowa’s CARES Act funding to local governments for direct expenses incurred in response to the COVID-19 emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Linn County requests reimbursement of $2,874,180.29 in eligible expenditures in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Linn County affirms that the above requests for reimbursement follow all formal published Federal and State of Iowa guidance on how the funds should be spent, and understand if the reimbursements are misrepresented, the local government will be liable for any applicable penalty and interest.

HEREBY RESOLVED but the Board of Supervisors for Linn County on this 14th day of September, 2020.

The Board discussed assigning shifts from departments to assist with appointment system in Public Service Center lobby. Meetings were held with the Treasurer, Auditor and Recorder regarding rotating shifts of coverage during the week. A master calendar will be created to help with scheduling.

Motion by Oleson, seconded by Rogers to assign shifts from departments to assist with appointment system in Public Service Center lobby according to the master calendar.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve Employment Change Roster (payroll authorizations) as follows:
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RECORDER’S OFFICE
Clerical Specialist  Emma Hartman  Return to previous post during trial period 9/9/20 55B $20.04–51E $17.53
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT
Secretary  Jessica Black  Step increase 9/17/20 55C $21.09–55D $22.24
SHERIFF’S OFFICE
Deputy Sheriff  Shiloh Herr  Military leave 9/12/20
Duty Officer  Shirley McElroy  Termination during probationary period 9/10/20
PURCHASING:
Clerk  Wendy Hartman  Bumped/return to previous position 9/9/20 51E $17.53–53E $20.24
Clerk  Emma Hartman  Return to previous post during trial period 9/10/20 55B $20.04–51E $17.53 30 hrs/wk
COMMUNITY SERVICES
Senior Acct Clerk  Diana Schumacher  Correction to cost center from 7/27/20 roster - retirement 8/31/20
JUVENILE DETENTION
Youth Counselor  Riley Gardner  New hire 9/21/20 36A $23.47+$.25 Repl. M. Dobler
JDDS Supervisor  Aaron Nord  New hire 11/4/20 $2,207.29/biweekly Repl. C. Edman
JDDS Supervisor  Cody Edman  Termination/resignation 11/4/20
Intervention Counselor  Angela Vargas  Bid award 9/29/20 36B $24.64+.25 Repl. M. Caldwell
Intervention Counselor  Aria Polglaze  New hire 9/21/20 56A $20.54+.25 20 hrs/wk Repl. A. Young
Tracker  Victoria Carson  New hire 9/21/20 56A $20.54+.25 Repl. A. Martin
Tracker  Bailey Murphy  Termination/temporary position 9/11/20
ENGINEERING
Light Equip Operator  Robbyn Baird  Correction to termination date from 9/8/20 roster 9/24/20

Adjournment at 11:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor
By: Amanda Hoy, Executive Assistant

Approved by:

BEN ROGERS, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors