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.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve minutes of October 20 & 21, 2020 as printed.

Actions related to the storm of August 10, 2020:
- Meetings with Ceres will change to once a week (Wednesday).
- Nov. 9th is last schedule for the last pass.
- E Ave. site is being closed soon.
- Dows property chips will begin to be hauled away.
- Supervisor Oleson receiving communications that some landowners have little right of way to place debris and concerned about all debris being picked up.
- Large debris is being cut up and then removed.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to open a public hearing for an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Linn County, Iowa by amending provisions in Chapter 10 Article VII Relating to Control of Lead-Based Paint.

Jim Hodina, Public Health Dept., explained that this amendment will modify the current ordinance specifically to address lead dust (windowsills and floors). This will update the ordinance to match the state and EPA.

There were no oral or written objections.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to close public hearing.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve upon first consideration an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Linn County, Iowa by amending provisions in Chapter 10 Article VII Relating to Control of Lead-Based Paint.

Kelly Geater, Deputy Treasurer (via phone) explained a Resolution abating taxes and directing the County Treasurer to strike the amount due from the County System. These properties have all been purchased for public use.

Dawn Jindrich, Finance Dir., stated that the county’s auditors have asked for this resolution on a yearly basis. The Board will approve on Wednesday.

Les Beck, Planning & Development Dir., presented two proposals for a Dows Farm Agri-Community Master Developer. The Selection Team reviewed, interviewed and made a recommendation of Ahmann Companies (a local firm with a proven track record). The Board will approve on Wednesday.

Les Beck presented Amendment No. 1 to the Farm Management Agreement between Linn County and The Sustainable Iowa Land Trust (SILT) extending the agreement through Oct. 31, 2023 in the amount of $12,000/year. The Board will approve on Wednesday.

Lisa Powell, HR Dir., presented a Vacancy Form requesting a Policy and Community Relations Deputy Director for the Board of Supervisors. This is a bargaining unit position that will assist Darrin Gage and the Board.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Walker to approve Vacancy Form requesting a Policy and Community Relations Deputy Director for the Board of Supervisors.

VOTE: Rogers & Walker – Aye  Oleson – Abstain

Britt Hutchins, Purchasing Dir., presented a Vacancy Form requesting a temporary employee for the Purchasing Department to cover a medical leave.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve Vacancy Form requesting a temporary employee for the Purchasing Department to cover a medical leave.

Lisa Powell presented a revised Paid Leave Summary, Travel Restrictions and Teleworking document effective October 28, 2020. She stated that this is extending Linn County’s employee remote work policy through March 31, 2021 and updating changes made by the CDC. The Board will approve on Wednesday.
Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to approve Employment Change Roster (payroll authorizations) as follows:

SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Deputy Sheriff William Halverson Transfer from Jail to Patrol 10/31/20 DS $34.17 + $.40 – DS $34.17
Deputy Sheriff Chelsea Behel Step increase/contract 11/09/20 D4 $32.89 + $.40 – DS $34.17 + $.40
Correctional Center Nurse Tia Finley End of probation 11/10/20 39A $34.41 – 39B $36.23
Correctional Center Nurse Bobbie Cox End of probation 11/24/20 39A $34.41 + $.25 – 39B $36.23 + $.25

COMMUNITY SERVICES
Senior Account Clerk Theresa Andersen Termination/retirement 01/29/21

JUVENILE DETENTION
Youth Leader Lisa Jordan New hire – FT 10/19/20 55A $19.10 + $.25 Replaces J. Moore
Youth Leader Keeyon Carter End of probation 10/15/20 55A $19.10 + $.25 – 55B $20.04 + $.25
Intervention Counselor Troy Raymer Termination/resignation 11/05/20
Intervention Counselor Racquel Cornwell New hire – PT 11/02/20 36A $23.47 + $.25 20 hours/week Replaces A. Polglaze

VETERAN AFFAIRS
VA Commissioner Kelly Driscoll Termination/appointment ended 06/30/20

ENGINEERING

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to go into a closed session to discuss pending litigation, pursuant to Code of Iowa 21.5(1)(c).

VOTE: Rogers – Aye Oleson – Aye Walker – Aye

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Oleson to go out of closed session.

VOTE: Rogers – Aye Oleson – Aye Walker – Aye

Adjournment at 11:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Approved by:

BEN ROGERS, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors