

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2018**

Chairperson Abe Miller called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. in the Courthouse chambers in regular session. Items on the agenda included the following: Voter Registration Proclamation; secondary road use permit application from Mid-Prairie Student Boosters; Resolution 18-48 regarding Washington County Riverboat Grant application from City of Brighton; Resolution 18-49 regarding Washington County Riverboat Grant application from Washington County Communications; personnel change request from Washington County Conservation; Resolution 18-50 regarding Washington County Riverboat Grant application from Washington County Conservation; Resolution 18-51 regarding Washington County Riverboat grant application from Tyrone Cemetery; overview of changes in lease agreement between Federation Bank and Washington County Public Health; public comment; adjourn. Supervisors Stan Stoops, Jack Seward, Jr., Richard Young, and Bob Yoder were also present.

Others attending were: Mary Zielinski, The News; Dave Hotle, Washington Evening Journal; Sally Hart, KCII Radio; Cyndie Sinn, County IT/Budget Director; John Gish, County Attorney; Jeff Garrett, County Treasurer; Danielle Pettit-Majewski, County Public Health Director; Steve Anderson, County Conservation Director; Jennine Wolf, County Environmental Health Director; Marissa Reisen, County Emergency Management Director; and citizens Bill Miller, Karyl Miller, Jeff Thomann, Tom Duwa, Bette Brant, Alvin C. Miller, Charlotte Stalder, Denny Stalder, Shirley Schooley, Rose Jaynes, and Les Zickefoose.

All motions were passed unanimously by those Supervisors in attendance unless noted otherwise.

On motion by Yoder, seconded by Stoops, the Board voted to approve the agenda as published.

On motion by Young, seconded by Yoder, the Board voted to approve, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, a Voter Registration Proclamation. The proclamation is as follows:

Voter Registration Proclamation

WHEREAS, registering to vote empowers eligible citizens to exercise their right to vote on Election Day; and

WHEREAS, while Iowa is one of the nation's leaders in voter registration and voter participation, with more than two million residents currently registered to vote, some eligible citizens have not yet registered; and

WHEREAS, this month, the Iowa Secretary of State's Office is contacting hundreds of thousands of eligible Iowans, encouraging them to register to vote; and

WHEREAS, the voter registration process in Iowa is easier and more convenient than ever before, with online voter registration, Election Day registration, and applications available through government agencies across the state; and

WHEREAS, the State of Iowa has an online voter registration system enabling citizens to register to vote and update their registration status quickly and easily, any time of day; and

WHEREAS, more than 250,000 Iowans have registered to vote for the first time in the state since January 2015; and

WHEREAS, we encourage all interested citizens and all appropriate media outlets and civic organizations to participate in this non-partisan voter registration awareness campaign to encourage the maximum participation of qualified voters in Iowa.

NOW, THEREFORE, on this 25th day of September, 2018, the Washington County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim September 2018 as National Voter Registration Month; and Tuesday, September 25th, 2018 as National Voter Registration Day.

On motion by Seward, seconded by Stoops, the Board voted to approve an application for a secondary road use permit from Mid-Prairie Student Boosters. The permit is related to an event scheduled for October 6, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The event will consist of a 1k and 5k walk/run along a route that includes Gum Avenue and 125th Street.

On motion by Yoder, seconded by Stoops, the Board voted by way of roll call vote to approve Resolution 18-48 as follows and to authorize the Chairperson to sign Resolution 18-48 on behalf of the Board.

RESOLUTION 18-48

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, IOWA, ACKNOWLEDGING THE APPLICATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING BENEFITS FROM THE WASHINGTON COUNTY RIVERBOAT FOUNDATION

WHEREAS, the Washington County Riverboat Foundation has grant funds available that target Community Development and Beautification, Economic Development, Art and Education, Human and Social Needs, and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Riverboat Foundation has a grant application cycle that ends October 3, 2018, and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Supervisors is supportive of these targets for improvements to the community and County, and

WHEREAS, one or more applications from Washington County and/or from organizations with projects that will take place on County property, will be submitted to the Washington County Riverboat Foundation by the October 3, 2018 deadline,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Iowa, that Washington County acknowledges the following grant application will be submitted to the Washington County Riverboat Foundation for the October 3, 2018 application cycle:

Replacement of the concrete paving that surrounds the Freedom Rock located at the intersection of Highway 78 and Highway 1 in Brighton

On motion by Seward, seconded by Young, the Board voted by way of roll call vote to approve Resolution 18-49 as follows and to authorize the Chairperson to sign Resolution 18-49 on behalf of the Board.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Iowa, that Washington County acknowledges the following grant application will be submitted to the Washington County Riverboat Foundation for the October 3, 2018 application cycle:

Construction of new building to serve as Washington County Communications Center

On motion by Stoops, seconded by Seward, the Board voted to acknowledge, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, a personnel change request from Conservation for a change in pay rate for Zach Rozmus from \$22.06 per hour to \$22.56 per hour, effective September 21, 2018.

On motion by Yoder, seconded by Seward, the Board voted by way of roll call vote to approve Resolution 18-50 as follows and to authorize the Chairperson to sign Resolution 18-50 on behalf of the Board.

RESOLUTION 18-50

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Replacement of exhibits located in Conservation Education Center

On motion by Seward, seconded by Young, the Board voted by way of roll call vote to approve Resolution 18-51 as follows and to authorize the Chairperson to sign Resolution 18-51 on behalf of the Board.

RESOLUTION 18-51

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Tyrone Cemetery Restoration – Dutch Creek Township

Public Health Administrator Danielle Pettit-Majewski informed the Board that the Washington County Public Health Board has signed a new lease with Federation Bank for office space on floors 3, 4, and 5 of property located at 102 East Main in Washington that is owned by the bank. Pettit-Majewski noted that the new lease, which begins October 1, calls for monthly rent payments in the amount of \$4,588.50 which is a \$500.00 more than the present monthly amount. Pettit-Majewski explained that the increase is due to the increase in property tax for the building as well as increased energy costs. It was noted the increased lease amount, the first since 2014, may necessitate a budget amendment. The rental fee includes water, sewer, gas, electricity, maintenance, repairs, cleaning, and reasonable amounts of garbage and trash pickup. Miller stated that the monthly rent of \$4,588.50 equates to a rate of approximately \$1.00 per square foot which he termed as quite reasonable. On motion by Seward, seconded by Stoops, the Board voted to acknowledge the change in lease agreement between Washington County Public Health and Federation Bank.

There was no public comment.

At 9:29 a.m. on motion by Yoder, seconded by Young, the Board voted to adjourn.

ATTEST:
September 25, 2018

ABE C. MILLER
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

DANIEL L. WIDMER
County Auditor