

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2019**

Chairperson Bob Yoder called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse chambers in regular session. Items on the agenda included the following: approval of agenda; public hearing regarding tower site equipment shelters which are a part of the Washington County Communications project; Resolution 19-55 regarding approval of Southeast Iowa Link (SEIL) Region 28E Agreement; discussion and action regarding documents presented at public hearing pertaining to tower site equipment shelters; Resolution 19-56 regarding tower site shelters which are a part of the Washington County Communications project; Resolution 19-54 regarding application for Washington County Riverboat Foundation grant; personnel change request – County Engineer; review bids and award contract for Pavement Planing/Grooving project FM-C092(105)--55-92; proposed employee benefit changes; public comment; adjourn. Supervisors Abe Miller, Stan Stoops, Richard Young, and Jack Seward were also present.

Others attending were: Sally Hart, KCII Radio; Mary Zielinski, The News; Bill Monroe, SE Iowa Union; Danielle Pettit-Majewski, County Public Health Director; Cyndie Sinn, County IT/Budget Director; John Gish, County Attorney; Jeff Garrett, County Treasurer; Jacob Thorius, County Engineer; Shawn Ellingson, Chief Deputy Sheriff; Marissa Reisen, County Emergency Management Director; Amber Day, Deputy Auditor; Christine Yancey, Riverside City Administrator; and citizens Charlotte Stalder and Dennis Stalder.

All motions were passed unanimously unless noted otherwise.

On motion by Miller, seconded by Young, the Board voted to approve the agenda as published.

On motion by Seward, seconded by Young, the Board voted to open a public hearing regarding tower site equipment shelters which are a part of the Washington County Communications project. Seward explained that the next step in the overall Washington County Communications project involved solicitation of bids for tower site equipment shelters at each of the six radio towers and in order to do so a public hearing was required. Seward stated that all proposed bid documents and the project manual had been available to the public for review. Auditor Dan Widmer shared that notice of the public hearing was published as required and added that the Auditor's office had received no public comment. There was no public comment from those gathered. On motion by Miller, seconded by Stoops, the Board voted to close the public hearing.

On motion by, seconded by, the Board voted by way of roll call vote to approve Resolution 19-55 as follows and to authorize the Chairperson to sign Resolution 19-55 on behalf of the Board.

RESOLUTION 19-55

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY APPROVING SOUTHEAST IOWA LINK (SEIL) REGION 28E AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, The Iowa Legislature has passed and the Iowa Governor has signed HF690 An Act relating to mental health and disability services, including the establishment of a Children's Behavioral Health System, and a Children's Behavioral Health System State Board, and requiring certain children's behavioral health core services; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Code 331 expresses the intent of the legislature that Mental Health and Disability Services shall be provided by counties operating together as Regions; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Supervisors has participated in the initial SEIL 28E Agreement as a member county; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Supervisors has been engaged in the development of the SEIL Region 28E amended documents; and

WHEREAS, the Counties of Des Moines, Henry, Jefferson, Keokuk, Lee, Louisa, Van Buren, and Washington have completed the 28E Agreement Amended document with unanimous approval and satisfaction from the SEIL Governing Board Directors,

BE IT RESOLVED that Washington County approves the SEIL Mental Health and Disability Services Region amended 28E Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Washington County hereby authorizes Supervisor Jack Seward to authorize and sign the finalized Amended 28E Agreement on behalf of Washington County.

The Board took no action regarding any information or public comment expressed at the public hearing that took place earlier in the meeting pertaining to tower site equipment shelters.

On motion by, seconded by, the Board voted by way of roll call vote to approve Resolution 19-56 as follows and to authorize the Chairperson to sign Resolution 19-56 on behalf of the Board.

RESOLUTION 19-56

Resolution approving and confirming plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for tower site equipment shelters which are a part of the Washington County Communications Center/EOC Building Project

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Iowa, has heretofore given preliminary approval to the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost (the "Contract Documents") for tower site equipment shelters which are a part of the Washington County Communications Center/EOC Building Project (the "Project"), as described in the notice of hearing on the Contract Documents for the Project; and

WHEREAS, a hearing has been held on the Contract Documents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Iowa, as follows:

Section 1. The Contract Documents referred to in the preamble hereof are hereby finally approved, and the prior action of the Board giving preliminary approval is hereby finally confirmed, and the Project, as provided for in the Contract Documents, is necessary and desirable for the County.

Section 2. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

On motion by Miller, seconded by Young, the Board voted by way of roll call vote to approve Resolution 19-54 as follows and to authorize the Chairperson to sign Resolution 19-54 on behalf of the Board.

RESOLUTION 19-54

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 15, 2019, 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 15, 2019 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 15, 2019 application cycle:

Rethink Your Drink bottle-fill drinking fountains

The above and foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Iowa on the 24th day of September, 2019.

On motion by Miller, seconded by Young, the Board voted to acknowledge, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, a personnel change request from Washington County Secondary Roads for John Wagner who will begin duties as a full-time Assistant Maintenance Superintendent at a bi-weekly rate of \$2,142.40 effective September 26, 2019. Wagner currently serves in the role of Equipment Operator.

County Engineer Jacob Thorius presented four bids for Pavement Planing/Grooving project FM-C092(105)--55-92 involving grinding and patching of County Road V15 (County Line Road) from Highway 92 north and then east on County Road G26 to its intersection with County Road G38 (Wellman Road). The project will not include the portion of County Road V15 that runs through the Keota city limits. According to Thorius the work will include repairing of cracked and aged pavement, grinding to improve road smoothness and to minimize the impact of heavy loads, and finally other improvements to prolong the life of the pavement. Farm to market funds will be used to pay for the project and thus the project was let through the Iowa Department of Transportation. The four bids received are as follows:

<u>BIDDER NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Diamond Surface Inc.	Rogers, MN	\$790,784.48
West Fork LLC	Victor, IA	\$879,273.00
Interstate Improvement Inc.	Faribault, MN	\$930,081.86
Diamond Coring Co. Inc.	Chicago, IL	\$1,634,073.29

Thorius stated that the Engineer’s estimate for the project was \$750,000.00 and he shared that the project was included in the County Five Year Plan. Thorius recommended that the contract for the project be awarded to Diamond Surface Inc. and that the Chairperson be authorized to sign pertinent contract documents. The late start date for the project is April 20, 2020. On motion by Stoops, seconded by Miller, the Board voted to accept the low bid received from Diamond Surface Inc. in the amount of \$790,784.48 for Pavement Planing/Grooving project FM-C092(105)--55-92 and to authorize the Chairperson to sign documents related to the project on behalf of the Board.

Deputy Auditor Amber Day informed the Board that after meeting on multiple occasions the Employee Insurance Committee was recommending two changes related to employee health insurance for the coming calendar year. One change would involve eliminating the option to fill “specialty drug” prescriptions by way of a medical professional resulting in pharmacies as the only remaining option. In general such drugs are high-cost injectable, infused, oral, or inhaled prescription medications typically used for treating or managing complex, chronic, and often costly conditions such as multiple sclerosis, rheumatoid arthritis, hepatitis C, and hemophilia. Such drugs often require special handling such as refrigeration as well as special administration methods. The other recommendation, according to Day, was to increase premiums by 2%. Day concluded her remarks by stating that a premium recommendation for the self-insured county dental plan was yet to be determined but any change recommended by the Employee Insurance Committee would require formal Board approval before being instituted. On motion by Young, seconded by Miller, the Board voted to approve the recommendations of the Employee Insurance Committee regarding specialty drugs and a 2% premium increase for calendar year 2020.

There was no public comment.

At 9:33 a.m. on motion by Miller, seconded by Young, the Board voted to adjourn.

ATTEST:
September 24, 2019

ROBERT C. YODER
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

DANIEL L. WIDMER
County Auditor