

March 12, 2024

Present: Supervisors: Nin Flagel, Mike Steines, Don Schwenker; Auditor Alisa Smith; IT Director Bjorn Beck; Media: Mary Hayward – Maquoketa Sentinel Press. Summarized Resolutions and Ordinances are available in the Auditor’s Office – Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and at: www.jacksoncounty.iowa.gov

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Steines at 9:00 a.m.

Engineer Todd Kinney presented and recommended approval of two residential entrance permits from Jeffrey Junk in section 14 of Tete Des Morts Township on the north side of 370th St and in section 14 of Tete Des Morts Township on the west side of 380th Ave.

Motion Schwenker, second Flagel to approve both residential entrance permits to Jeffrey Junk as presented.
Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Kinney presented and recommended approval of a Windbreak Policy to establish a procedure for selection of locations for windbreaks, process for installation, and compensation for the windbreaks subject to the available budget.

Motion Flagel, second Schwenker to approve the Windbreak Policy as presented.
Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Kinney presented and recommended approval of a Standing Corn Windbreak Agreement to establish a temporary standing corn windbreak to reduce blowing and drifting snow on county roads.

Motion Schwenker, second Flagel to approve the Standing Corn Windbreak Agreement as presented.
Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Kinney presented and recommended approval of a Windbreak Agreement to reduce snow drifting across the roadway and improve the safe operation of motor vehicles.

Motion Flagel, second Schwenker to approve the Windbreak Agreement as presented.
Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Auditor Alisa Smith presented county business and reviewed the Board calendar.

Motion Schwenker, second Flagel to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2024, Board proceedings written by Auditor Smith and authorize publication in the official newspapers as presented.
Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Schwenker, second Flagel to approve and authorize the Auditor’s Office to issue warrants and the publication of the claims listing in the amount of \$700,536.36 as presented.
Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Schwenker to approve and authorize Chair signature on a 5-year lease between Jackson County and Together We Build, Inc. for a building at 1102 E Quarry St, Maquoketa effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2028 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Schwenker to approve the lease between Jackson County and Imagine the Possibilities, Inc for the Andrew Care Facility from December 1, 2023 through December 1, 2026 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Schwenker to approve and authorize Chair signature on a letter of support for the City of Maquoketa applying for a grant for the benefit of the Maquoketa Fire Department in pursuit of a Community Project Funding endorsement as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Recess the meeting.

Reconvene the meeting with Zoning Administrator Lori Roling who discussed a complaint she received on 55th St and alleged nuisance violations with enforcement actions. Environmental Health Director Elizabeth Townsend joined to discuss issues with abandoned dwellings which may have water and septic issues.

Motion Flagel, second Schwenker to deny action on the complaint on 55th St due to it not being addressed in the Jackson County Nuisance Ordinance as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

A work session following this meeting with all board members, Auditor Alisa Smith, Deputy Auditor Shelley Hoye, Human Resource Administrator Becki Chapin, and Mary Hayward from Maquoketa Sentinel Press to discuss the fiscal year 2025 budget. Attorney John Kies came back to the board to discuss the first right of refusal on a property for sale adjacent to the Jackson County Law Enforcement Center.

Motion Schwenker, second Flagel to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 a.m. until the next board meeting on March 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the boardroom at the courthouse in Maquoketa.

Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Clerk _____
Alisa Smith, Auditor

Chair _____
Mike Steines, Board of Supervisors