

Floyd County Board of Supervisors Meeting
January 25, 2016, 9:00 AM

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

The Floyd County Board of Supervisors met in the Board Room of the Floyd County Courthouse with the following in attendance: Supv Mark Kuhn, Supv Roy Schwickerath, and Supv Doug Kamm.

Kamm/Schwickerath moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Comment: none.

Updates on various boards/commissions/activities: Supv Schwickerath attended an Emergency Response Meeting and the Community Foundation Banquet. Supv Kamm attended a FOCUS meeting and went to a Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center meeting only to find out it had been cancelled. Supv Kuhn met with Representative Prichard. Supvs Kamm and Kuhn attended ISAC University.

The board will review claims individually after the meeting.

Future agenda items: nothing discussed.

Jennifer Hauser, Director at the Gateway to Northeast Iowa Welcome and Tourism Center, located at Nashua, Iowa discussed with the supervisors the role that the Welcome Center helps with tourism in Northeast Iowa. She was also requesting funds for the upcoming year. Copies of the expense and revenue reports were also shared. Jennifer shared that they are also requesting funds from Butler, Bremer, Chickasaw, in addition to Floyd County. The Board noted that there are revenues of \$35,000 from craft sales. Jennifer stated that the Welcome center receives 25% of that amount. Jennifer also stated that at this point the city of Nashua is absorbing the deficit in the funding.

David Luett, representing the Nora Spring Volunteer Ambulance Service, presented his request for possible funding from Floyd County for FY17. He presented to the Board a spread sheet showing revenues, expenses, and assets for the Nora Springs Volunteer Ambulance Service. He stated that the service is looking for funding from various sources, which he had detailed in his letter dated January 10, 2016. The Board suggested that Mr. Luett should arrange a meeting with the other entities listed and inform the Board of impending meeting. A BOS representative would then be able to attend the meeting and perhaps a funding formula, similar to one in place with a different ambulance service in the county, could also be implemented.

Julie Kneip, Floyd County Clerk of Court, updated the Board on the remodeling progress in the Magistrate Court Room. She told the Board that the completion date is looking like the first week in February. She feels The total cost for the remodeling may come in a little higher than originally stated. Julie stated the increase is attributed to changes that have occurred. They had been getting input from Scott Hand. She informed the Board that 5,000 people per year come thru Floyd County Magistrate Court.

Mark Wicks, Community Revitalization Director, thanked the Floyd County Board for their support in past years and hopes that it will continue in future years. They are putting in their request for funding for the next fiscal year from the county. Mark explained to the Board the goals and ideals of Community Revitalization and the Main Street Iowa Program. The Main Street Iowa Program was expanded and now includes the Courthouse, Sherman House, and the Charley Western Building. Mark also presented to the Board a list of the Community Revitalization Activities for 2014/2015.

The Board noted the hiring of Abigail Chipera with Floyd County Public Health/Home Health Care as a part-time Home Health Aide/Homemaker effective January 14, 2016. She will be making \$10 per hour with increases according to accumulated hours.

The Board noted the termination of a Floyd County Conservation/Weed Manager employee.

The North Iowa County of Government audit report for FY15 was noted.

The Board had a discussion regarding the conduct of the Board of Supervisor meetings in reference to Robert's Rules of Order. Chairman Kuhn is wanting to follow Robert's Rules of Order so that when a motion is brought forth it will facilitate a smooth flow of order. It was discussed that you should ask for a motion and a second first, and then proceed with discussion. This would help business flow. There has sometimes been deliberation on two meetings. When the Board discusses a motion that doesn't mean that is how a Board member is

going to vote on a motion. Chairman Kuhn had provided information he received from the ISAC meeting and pointed out important points on making a motion and speaking to the motion.

There are always ways to deal with things in a more orderly manner and Chairman Kuhn would like to try this tomorrow. Chairman Kuhn stated the Auditor is not a parliamentarian and I am not a parliamentarian. This Board is unique. This tends to create a conversational manner. That's why we have workshops. Mark stated that I always allow for public comment.

Discussion and comments made by Board members included: We want to have a friendly meeting and hear the public's comments. This will clearly lead to more civil meetings and not stifle it. As long as the meeting is conducted in a proper manner and not used as a weapon.

Future agenda items: Note copy of the audit from the Landfill; Option to buy one piece of property, which is due the 1st of April; Discussion with Steve Diers and the Law enforcement joint facility.

Kamm/Schwickerath moved to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST: _____

Sandra J. Hicks
Floyd County Deputy Auditor

Mark A. Kuhn, Chair
Floyd County Board of Supervisors