

Floyd County Board of Supervisors Meeting
June 8, 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 Kuhn, Supv Kamm and Supv Schwickerath.

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

Public comments: none.

Updates on various boards/commissions/activities since the last meeting: Supv Kamm has received several phone calls regarding the jail/law enforcement study proposals. Supv Schwickerath attended a Conservation Board meeting. All three supervisors attended the joint meeting with the Charles City City Council regarding the jail/law enforcement center.

Jeff Heil, Northland Securities representative, provided summary reports for refinancing the Build America Bonds with General Obligation County Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A. With the locked in rates netting 1.86%, the savings to refinance is \$558,613.24 with a net savings of \$491,455.21 after fees. Schwickerath/Kamm moved to approve Res #16-17 Resolution approving Bond Purchase Agreement for General Obligation County Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A: WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of Floyd County, Iowa (the "County"), has heretofore proposed to enter into a loan agreement (the "Loan Agreement") in a principal amount not to exceed \$6,500,000, pursuant to the provisions of Section 331.402 of the Code of Iowa, for the purpose of refunding a portion of the County's outstanding General Obligation Taxable Urban Renewal County Road Improvement Bonds, Series 2010A, and has published notice of the proposed action and has held a hearing thereon; and WHEREAS, it has been proposed that the County enter into the Loan Agreement with Northland Securities, Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota (the "Underwriter") and issue General Obligation County Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A, in the principal amount of \$6,375,000 (the "Bonds") in evidence of its obligations under the Loan Agreement; and WHEREAS, a certain Bond Purchase Agreement (the "Bond Purchase Agreement") has been prepared setting forth the terms of the Bonds and the understanding between the County and the Underwriter, and it is now necessary to make provision for the approval of the Bond Purchase Agreement; NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Floyd County, Iowa, as follows: Section 1. The Bond Purchase Agreement is hereby approved in substantially the form as presented to this Board. The Chairperson and County Auditor are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Bond Purchase Agreement to the Underwriter. Section 2. All resolutions and orders or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this resolution, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed. Section 3. This resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval, as provided by law. Motion carried 3-0.

Kamm/Schwickerath moved to appoint Supv Schwickerath, Sheriff Rick Lynch or his designee, Emergency Management Coordinator Lezlie McCrabb and Auditor Gloria Carr to a joint city/county committee to interview firms for the jail/law enforcement study. Motion carried 3-0.

Schwickerath/Kamm moved to approve property tax suspensions per Iowa Code 427.9 for fiscal year 2015/2016 on parcel #530061837800100 and for fiscal year 2016/2017 for parcels #360140837700500, #410120637600700, #410120635600400, #410120615201000, #4101101176101000, and #530061837800100. Motion carried 3-0.

George Peichel, Prairie's Best Farms CEO, Rick Orban, Prairie's Best Farms representative, and Jeff Muchow, Simply Essentials Vice President, provided information regarding Prairie's Best Farms obligation to build 80 chicken confinement sites mostly between Charles City and Parkersburg, IA to support Simply Essentials production process needs. Simply Essentials is not at a size/scale to produce eggs and pullets so Hoover's Hatchery in Rudd has been contracted to hatch eggs which will be delivered from Arkansas. Sinclair Elevator in Parkersburg will provide a proprietary corn, soybean and flaxseed blended feed for the confined chickens. Peichel claims the confinement process will be a new enterprise for farmers in the area with each barn raising 42,000 chickens which will take about 68,000 bushel of local corn per year. Prairie's Best Farms and Simply Essentials have stricter regulations compared to those of a master matrix plan in scoring for items such as stock piling manure,

site selection, and separation distances and, like the Board of Supervisors, are consciences about protecting well water heads. Each confinement facility will be power ventilated, air cooled and entirely enclosed; a two-barn facility will cost approximately one million to erect. Muchow claims Simply Essentials is the only company that has been able to get a process verified certification from the USDA, the first of its kind to have chicken with a label as a healthy food. The chicken processing plant will be the sixth plant that uses air chill, a process used in 90% of production in European countries, instead of water chill process on the chickens. The plant is expected to employ 250 people. Approximately 332,000 birds per week are expected to be processed and will increase to 670,000 birds with two shifts; plans are to start with small crews initially processing 35 birds per minute and with training expectations are to increase to 70 birds per minute and then 100 birds per minute at which time a second shift will be hired. Production wages have not been finalized but are likely to be around the \$14-15 per hour range. Processing of birds is expected to start by mid-November. Representatives are meeting with city officials this afternoon to continue discussion about the city's water treatment capabilities.

Future agenda: nothing discussed

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

ATTEST: _____

Gloria A. Carr
Floyd County Auditor

Mark A. Kuhn, Chair
Floyd County Board of Supervisors