

MINUTES 10.16.2023 • ALLAMAKEE COUNTY BOS

MINUTES OF THE
ALLAMAKEE COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023
(UNOFFICIAL)

Board members present: Byrnes, Reiser and Keatley. Reiser arrived at 9:35 a.m. All members voting "AYE" unless noted. Meeting held at Postville Public library.

Meeting called to order by Byrnes, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

23.361-Motion Keatley/Second Byrnes to approve today's agenda and the minutes from October 9 and 12, 2023. Motion carried.

The following people were present at various times throughout the meeting in person: Joseph Moses – Standard newspaper, Denise Beyer – Auditor and Clerk to Supervisors, John Jensen, Crystal Duffy, Dennis Koenig, Darcy Radloff, Mary Engstrom, Nancy Turner, DeLora Dundee, Barb Schissel, Laurie Moody, Kristy Turner, Christa Jacobson, Kari Seabrooke.

Public Comment: Supervisor Byrnes reported on the turnout for the Driftless 5K and Half Marathon this past weekend: 108 individual half marathon participants, 12 relay teams and 70 in 5K; also gave thanks and great job to Driftless Half Marathon organizing committee and to all who helped with the route. Crystal Duffy spoke in favor of the Postville Childcare Services (PCCS) and support of the wage enhancement program from the county; Postville has the youngest population in the county; 19 teachers at the Postville schools utilize PCCS and if PCCS would have to close, teachers would possibly be forced to go to another district. Mary Engstrom said there have been about 100 new students from young working families, there is a need for daycare. Kari Seabrooke, parent of 2 kids at PCCS, full-time

student for her doctorate and job in nursing health care spoke about the quality of the staff – we are very fortunate and it is very important to keep this Child Care Center open. Kristy Turner provided some letters of support, pledge forms and flyer. Turner pointed out 1 in 4 children have a spot in an Allamakee County daycare; Hamilton County has raised \$710,000 to increase their childcare center capacity and increase wages; Turner asked for \$32,000 county contribution to the Wage Enhancement Fund. Turner also said there is an anonymous person who said if the BOS contributes \$32K, there would be 2 people who would contribute \$16K each as a match.

Postville Librarian, Crystal Duffy, reviewed improvements and changes at the library including adding conveniences/equity patrons with young children; increased programming and participation in summer reading program; accessibility for those whose first language is not English; new section of books in Spanish. Planning on offering ESL classes in the future. Wireless usage has doubled in a year, which contributes to increased library use; they have increased their hours.

Mayor Dennis Koenig and City Clerk Darcy Radloff thanked the Supervisors for coming to Postville. Koenig reported the severe blow to Postville when Good Sam closed and many lost jobs; Ziegler voluntary annexation to the City of Postville – this fall they will break ground; next spring the DOT will be resurfacing the city streets and redoing sidewalks in Postville; city will be doing a water line project on Military and West Tilden – a million dollar project for the city that will be done in tandem with this DOT project; cities portion will be the parking areas on both sides of

the street. Heart and Soul statements were provided showing results of a survey taken from people in town; these statements will become an action plan for projects to be completed. Mayor Koenig stated the city cannot afford another closure after Good Sam and asked the Supervisors – who work for Allamakee County and the voters – to consider contributing to the PCCS wage enhancement program.

23.362-Motion Reiser/Second Keatley to accept and place on file the quarterly report for Relief Office. Motion carried.

23.363-Motion Reiser/Second Keatley to approve Secondary Roads transfers from GB of \$77,454.33 and from Rural Basic of \$830,246.52. Motion carried.

Supervisor Reiser reported that a soil sample at county farm shows low levels and would like to see proof of what has been applied and would like to add language to the contract that all fertilizer must be custom applied and proof of what has been applied. Keatley said this is good timing; bidders would know the requirements going into it. Byrnes feels it may hinder some bidders because a lot of larger operations have their own spreaders. Currently the county pays for application of lime.

23.364-Motion Reiser/Second Keatley to have fertilizer rates and custom application as part of the contract. Reiser and Keatley-aye, Byrnes-nay. Motion carried.

Department Head updates: Laurie Moody spoke in support of the Postville Child Care Services. Auditor Beyer gave update on preparation for the upcoming election. 23.365-Motion Keatley/Second Reiser to adjourn. Motion carried.

Dan Byrnes, Chairperson

ATTEST: Denise Beyer, Auditor
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COUNTY FARM
BID NOTICE
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COUNTY FARM BID NOTICE

The Allamakee County Board of Supervisors will be accepting sealed bids for cash rent of approx. 74 acres pasture land and approx. 172 acres of cropland. Crop and Pasture years included are 2024, 2025 & 2026. Sealed bids will be accepted in the Auditor's office until 9:00 a.m. on Monday, November 20 and opened on Monday, November 20, 2023 at 10:00 am at the Board of Supervisors meeting, which will be held at Robey Memorial Library. Bids must be in a sealed envelope with "County Farm Pasture Bid" or "County Farm Cropland Bid" marked on the lower left-hand corner of each bid envelope. Sealed bids must be submitted to the Allamakee County Auditor, 110 Allamakee St., Waukon, IA 52172. The Allamakee County Board of Supervisors, in the interest of promoting the continued conservation and productivity of the crop and pasture land, reserve the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities in bidding and to accept any bid or combination of bids determined to be in the best interest of Allamakee County.

The selected cropland tenant(s) will be expected to follow a pre-approved NRCS Conservation Plan which can be viewed at the Waukon NRCS Office, 770 11 th Ave SW, Waukon, IA 52172 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday. To ensure compliance with the NRCS Conservation Plan, a conservation deposit will be required from the selected tenant(s). Rental contract details are available at the Auditor's Office, or for more information please contact Supervisor Mark Reiser at 563-535-7129 or 563-568-1095.

Denise Beyer,
Allamakee Co. Auditor
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NOTICE OF NOVEMBER 7, 2023 CITY/SCHOOL ELECTION
ALLAMAKEE COUNTY AUDITOR AND COMMISSIONER OF ELECTIONS

NOTICE OF NOVEMBER 7, 2023
CITY/SCHOOL ELECTION

All the qualified Electors of Allamakee County, Iowa are hereby notified that a combined City/School Election will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023. ALL POLLING LOCATIONS IN ALLAMAKEE COUNTY OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

ALL POLLING LOCATIONS FOR THE CITY/SCHOOL ELECTION ARE THE SAME AS YOUR GENERAL ELECTION POLLING LOCATIONS. All Allamakee residents will vote in Allamakee County and ballots with the correct school district and/or city races will be available at all polling places.

MFL-MarMac and Decorah School District ballots will be available at Allamakee polling locations where applicable.

All sample ballots may be viewed online at <https://allamakeecountyelections.iowa.gov/> or in the County Auditor's office during regular business hours – Monday through Friday 8:00a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Polling places:
Precinct, Includes, Polling Place

Precinct 1, Waterloo and Hanover Townships, St. Mary's Church, 490 Waterloo Creek Drive, Dorchester, IA

Precinct 2, French Creek, Jefferson, Ludlow, Makee and Union Prairie Townships, Waukon Banquet Center, 612 Ross-ville Rd, Waukon, IA

Precinct 3, City of Postville and Post and Franklin Townships, Memorial Hall (Turner Hall), 119 E Greene St, Postville, IA

Precinct 4, City of Waterville and Paint Creek and Linton Townships, Waterville School Community Center, 115 Main St, Waterville, IA

Precinct 5, City of Harpers Ferry and Fairview and Taylor Townships, Harpers Ferry Community Center, 238 North 4th, Harpers Ferry, IA

Precinct 6, City of Lansing and Union City and Iowa Townships, Immaculate Conception Church, 648 Main St, Lansing, IA

Precinct 7, City of New Albin and Union City and Iowa Townships, New Albin Community Center, 137 Railroad Ave SW, New Albin, IA

Precinct 8, Waukon Ward 1, NICC Center-Room 109, 1220 3rd Ave NW, Waukon, IA

Precinct 9, Waukon Ward 2, St. John's Lutheran Church, 8 – 5th St SW, Waukon, IA

Precinct 10, Waukon Ward 3, Allamakee County Courthouse, 110 Allamakee St, Waukon, IA

ACCESSIBILITY and CURB-SIDE VOTING: All polling places designated for use in this election are accessible to persons with disabilities. Any voter who is physically unable to enter a polling place has the right to vote curbside, in the voter's vehicle. For further information, please contact the County Auditor's office at 563-568-3522 or dbeyer@allamakeecounty.iowa.gov. For TTY access, dial 711 + 563-568-3522.

Voter ID: Pre-registered voters are required to provide an approved form of identification at the

polling place before receiving and casting a regular ballot. Voters who are not pre-registered - such as voters registering to vote on Election Day - and voters changing precincts must also provide proof of residence. A voter who is unable to provide an approved form of identification (or prove residence if required): 1) may have the voter's identity/residence attested to by another registered voter in the precinct, 2) prove identity and residence using Election Day Registration documents, or 3) cast a provisional ballot and provide proof of identity/residence at the County Auditor's office by 12:00 (Noon) Monday, November 13. Election Day Registrant attestors must provide an approved form of identification about providing proof of identity and/or residence visit: <https://sos.iowa.gov/voterid> or phone 563-568-3522.

Sample ballots and election information are available for viewing online at <https://allamakeecountyelections.iowa.gov/>.

I, Denise Beyer, hereby certify that the accompanying races and candidates are correct and will appear on the official ballots voters will use to cast their votes at the City/ School Election to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023. Voters living in Unincorporated areas will vote on School District races/measures and Unincorporated public measures (if any). Voters living in a city will vote on City races/measures and School races/measures. The following offices, candidates and public measures (if any) will appear on the ballots in the specific jurisdictions:

Harpers Ferry:

Mayor

Vote for no more than ONE:

Jerry C. Valley

City Council At-Large

Vote for no more than THREE:

Thomas E. Diggins

Russ Walker

Daren Kaepfel

Lansing:

Mayor

Vote for no more than ONE:

Michael J. Verdon

City Council At-Large

Vote for no more than TWO:

Benjamin E. Ghelf

Corey Richards

Ian Zahren

New Albin:

Mayor

Vote for no more than ONE:

Thomas Feuerhelm

City Council At-Large

Vote for no more than THREE:

Alexie Grotgut

Dale Mauss

Maria Stahl

Nathan Darling

Treasurer

Vote for no more than ONE:

Jill Mathis

Postville:

City Council At-Large

Vote for no more than THREE:

Devora Klein-Mahr

Laurie Moody

Nechama Yehuda

Rachel Sugar

Jennifer Valdez

Larry A. Moore

James Johnson

Giora Bass

Waterville:

Mayor

Voter for no more than ONE:

David Monserud

City Council At-Large

Vote for no more than FIVE:

Robbie Burrett

Jodi Van Iten

Jaclyn Hilleshiem

Bethany Dundee

Waukon:

Mayor

Vote for no more than ONE:

Arvid Hatlan

City Council At-Large

Vote for no more than ONE:

Andrew Sires

Nicholas Engrav

Jean Brink

City Council Ward 2

Voter for no more than ONE:

John Lydon

City Council Ward 3 - To Fill A

Vacancy

Vote for no more than ONE:

David Blocker

ALLAMAKEE COMMUNITY

SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Director District #2

Vote for no more than ONE:

Erik A. Helgeson

Director District #3

Voter for no more than ONE:

Beth Shafer

Cristina M. Smith

Director District #4

Vote for no more than ONE:

Kelly Deeney

EASTERN ALLAMAKEE COM-

MUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Director District At-Large

Vote for no more than ONE:

Kelli Mudderman

Joseph L. Manning

Director District #1

Vote for no more than ONE:

Tom Martin

Bobbie Goetzinger

Director District #2

Vote for no more than ONE:

Tony Becker

POSTVILLE COMMUNITY

SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Director District At-Large

Vote for no more than THREE:

Teresa Berg

Eric Meyer

Maria Vazquez

Travis Koenig

DECORAH COMMUNITY

SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Director District At-Large

Vote for no more than THREE:

Brad Darling

Carole E. Sand

Zachary Robinson

Brian Petersburg

Aaron Zander

MFL/MARMAC COMMUNITY

SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Director At-Large

Vote for no more than THREE:

Chris Hoffer

Marti Post

Jonna Schutte

Tonya Meyer

Danielle Schlake

Robert Hass

NICC

Director District #3

Vote for no more than ONE:

Julie Askelson

Jim Anderson

(This NICC race will appear on Decorah School District ballots only)

CITY OF WATERVILLE will have the following Public Measure on their ballot:

PUBLIC MEASURE AN: Shall Chapter 21, Library Board of Trustees, Section 21.02 and 21.03 of the Code of Ordinances of City of Waterville, Iowa be amended as follows: The Board of Trustees of the Library, hereinafter referred to as the Board, consists of (4) members to be appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council and (1) member that resides at an unincorporated Allamakee County address, appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Allamakee County Board of Supervisors.

PUBLIC TEST OF VOTE COUNTING EQUIPMENT

The general public is invited to a public test of the Unisyn Vote Counting Equipment to show how the votes will be counted for the City-School Election. The demonstration will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 2, 2023, and continue until completed. The location of the testing will be on the 4th floor of the Allamakee County Courthouse. If you have any questions, please call the Auditor's Office at 563-568-3522.

Certified by: Denise Beyer,
Allamakee County Auditor and
Commissioner of Elections
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING • CITY OF POSTVILLE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET				
City of POSTVILLE				
Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024				
The City of POSTVILLE will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2024				
Meeting Date/Time: 11/13/2023 07:00 PM		Contact: DARCY RADLOFF		Phone: (563) 864-7454
Meeting Location: 147 N. LAWLER STREET- COUNCIL CHAMBERS				
There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing. Budget amendments are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals .				
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	1	783,481	0	783,481
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Net Current Property Tax	3	783,481	0	783,481
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	4	0	0	0
TIF Revenues	5	70,000	0	70,000
Other City Taxes	6	291,696	10,000	301,696
Licenses & Permits	7	8,300	0	8,300
Use of Money & Property	8	20,220	40	20,260
Intergovernmental	9	445,500	0	445,500
Charges for Service	10	1,691,000	11,000	1,702,000
Special Assessments	11	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	12	358,500	2,000	360,500
Other Financing Sources	13	0	800,000	800,000
Transfers In	14	421,600	60,000	481,600
Total Revenues & Other Sources	15	4,090,297	883,040	4,973,337
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES				
Public Safety	16	670,400	11,000	681,400
Public Works	17	667,300	31,500	698,800
Health and Social Services	18	0	0	0
Culture and Recreation	19	237,450	0	237,450
Community and Economic Development	20	60,000	9,300	69,300
General Government	21	281,200	81,500	362,700
Debt Service	22	140,000	0	140,000
Capital Projects	23	300,000	500,000	800,000
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	2,356,350	633,300	2,989,650
Business Type/Enterprise	25	1,702,978	179,000	1,881,978
Total Gov Activities & Business Expenditures	26	4,059,328	812,300	4,871,628
Transfers Out	27	421,600	60,000	481,600
Total Expenditures/Transfers Out	28	4,480,928	872,300	5,353,228
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	29	-390,631	10,740	-379,891
Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2023	30	4,954,601	0	4,954,601
Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2024	31	4,563,970	10,740	4,574,710
Explanation of Changes: Inc Rev- Hotel/Motel Tax; Gen- Increase Exp legal fees; Inc Rev/Exp Water Line Project; Inc Exp Insurance cost.				