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MINUTES OF THE ALLAMAKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONDAY, **DECEMBER 15, 2025** (UNOFFICIAL)

Board members present: Byrnes, Keatley and Clark. All members voting "AYE" unless noted. Meeting called to order by Byrnes followed by Pledge of Allegiance. 25.422- Motion Keatley/Second Clark to approve today's agenda and minutes from December 8, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Present at different times throughout the meeting: Joseph Moses -Waukon Standard, Denise Beyer - Clerk to Supervisors, Mike Hohenbrink – Postville Herald, Rachelle Howe, Benita Gossman, Chris Troendle, Clark Mellick, Corey Snitker, Stephanie Runkle, Brian Ride-

nour, Jack Knight. Public Comment: Rachelle Howe asked about the bridge implosion process and Tom Clark, who attends bridge meetings, explained the planned process. Howe also talked about public meetings train-

ing. Chris Troendle shared data and statistics related to the Housing Trust Fund. Troendle asked for a 3-year budget commitment of \$12,500 county contribution.

Rachelle Howe presented programming updates and made FY27 funding requests - \$13,799 per capita dues and other match amounts for other grants and dues. Safe Routes to Schools amount has doubled because of increases in requested funds and a halftime staff going to full-time. Howe also reviewed grant funding applications within cities and the county and upcoming meetings.

Supervisor Clark is going to a meeting in Des Moines and would like to use credit card for registration fee.

25.423-Motion Keatley/Second Clark to approve use of county credit card for \$100 for State Supervisors meeting registration. Motion carried.

Auditor Beyer presented a Why Wait agreement from Quadient that guarantees lower pricing before 2026 when prices are expected to increase to around \$300 or more/ month. The current postage machine lease price is good through April 2026, after which the new price of \$258.09/month for the new 5-year lease will begin.

25.424-Motion Clark/Second Keatley to approve the Quadient Why Wait agreement and Quadient 5-year lease agreement for new postage machine. Motion carried. Supervisor Byrnes reported that the county's insurance company is requesting the county adopt a policy on space heaters. Auditor Beyer provided a sample from another county for changing/modifying as they wish. Beyer will make the requested changes from HR in the sample to Custodian to approve all space heaters. Action next week. Sheriff Mellick requested approval

of hiring a dispatcher/jailer. 25.425-Motion Clark/Second Keatley to hire Breanna Paige Knickerbocker as E-911 dispatch/corrections officer at the starting wage per union contract starting January 5, 2026. Motion carried.

25.426-Motion Keatley/Second Clark to approve resolution of subdivision plat for Harlan & Carole Yohe (Sec 35 & 36). Roll call: Clarkaye; Byrnes-aye; Keatley-aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in Auditor's office)

25.427-Motion Clark/Second Keatley to approve resolution of subdivision plat for Harlan & Carole Yohe (Sec 22). Roll call: Clark-aye; Byrnes-aye; Keatley-aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution avail-

able in Auditor's office) 25.428-Motion Keatley/Second Clark to approve resolution of subdivision plat for Walter & Traci Mahr. Roll call: Clark-aye; Byrnes-aye; Keatley-aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in Auditor's office)

Engineer Ridenour requested hiring Mike Moody, retiree, as part time truck driver effective December 16 at \$22/hour, no benefits, while Engineer finishes up hiring process to fill five vacancies.

25.429-Motion Clark/Second Keatley to approve hiring Mike Moody as part-time truck driver at \$22/ hour starting December 16, 2025. Motion carried.

Corey Snitker gave the annual review of the 2023 Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Clark Mellick presented quotes for lights for courthouse parking lots. Bob Larkin quoted \$1,341.60 for lights, Ken Kerr \$3,000 labor for install. The location of the lights was discussed and should cover all parking lots and areas out to sidewalks. Supervisors requested some clarification on the bid, so no action was taken.

Department Head updates: Engineer Ridenour gave department update; reminded public that pavements are priority for salt/sand and how Secondary Roads drivers prioritize the roads; bid letting update. Sheriff Mellick gave department update. Auditor Bever gave department update.

25.430-Motion Keatley/Second Clark to adjourn. Motion carried. Dan Byrnes, Chairperson ATTEŠT: Denise Beyer - Auditor

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