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**MINUTES OF THE ALLAMAKEE  
COUNTY BOARD OF  
SUPERVISORS MONDAY,  
NOVEMBER 20, 2023  
(UNOFFICIAL)**

Board members present: Byrnes, Reiser and Keatley. All members voting "AYE" unless noted.

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

23.408-Motion Keatley/Second Reiser to approve today's agenda and the minutes from November 13 & 14, 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, Cate St. Clair, Val Reinke, Gary Boden, Amanda Hess, Clark Mellick, Brian Ridenour.

Public Comment: Val Reinke updated on upcoming business events over the holidays; regional business social media training classes. Cate St. Clair gave updates on library programs, book sales and foundation projects: Books for Babies with Veterans Memorial Hospital and Main Street Story Walks partnership with Oneota Valley Literary Foundation sponsors.

23.409-Motion Reiser/Second Keatley to adjourn as Board of Supervisors and convene as Board of Canvassers. Motion carried.

Auditor Beyer presented, and Supervisors performed the 2 nd tier canvass for, the final results of 5 races, involving 9 positions. These results include votes from other counties involved in the Postville City and Postville and Allamakee School Districts.

23.410-Motion Keatley/Second Reiser to declare the following duly elected at the November 7, 2023 City-School election following the 2 nd tier canvass: **Postville City** : Devora Klein-Mahr, Laurie Moody and Larry A. Moore as Council At-Large Members for 4 years; **Postville Community School District**: Teresa Berg, Eric Meyer and Travis Koenig as At-Large Directors for 4 years; **Allamakee School District**: Erik A. Helgeson as District 2 Director for 4 years; Beth Shafer as District 3 Director for 4 years; and Kelly Deeney as At-Large Director for 4 years. Motion carried.

23.411 Motion Reiser/Second Keatley to adjourn as Board of Canvassers and reconvene as Board of Supervisors. Motion carried.

Amanda Hess updated Supervisors on 2024 Driftless Half Marathon on October 12. There will be no changes for the event. Sheriff Mellick feels it is well-organized and has gone well.

Auditor Beyer presented a resolution for Supervisors to support an election for LOSST election and request audit to place the question on a special election ballot. The date for this election will be March 5, 2024.

23.412-Motion Reiser/Second Keatley to approve resolution in support of a Local Option Sales & Services Tax Election and requesting the Allamakee County Auditor to place the question of a Local Option Sales Tax imposition on a special election ballot. Roll call: Reiser-aye; Byrnes-aye; Keatley-aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in Auditor's office)

Val Reinke reviewed that some façade grant funds became available when one grant recipient declined their funds. The next person in line for grant funds was Justin Shepard. Reinke requested approval by Supervisors.

23.413-Motion Keatley/Second Reiser to approve façade grant approval for Justin Shepard in the amount of \$2,163.88. Motion carried.

23.414-Motion Reiser/Second Keatley to approve liquor license renewal for Wings. Motion carried.

Auditor Beyer explained the draft permit for GavNView and opportunity to contest the permit. No action taken.

23.415-Motion Keatley/Second Reiser to accept and place on file the quarterly report for the Auditor. Motion carried.

Cate St. Clair, Robey Memorial Librarian, thanked the Supervisors for their support of all the libraries in the county. County support allows the library to continue to offer so much to the community of Waukon and the surrounding communities.

Gary Boden, Waukon City Manager, updated the Supervisors on road and fiber optic projects in Waukon.

Department Head updates: Engineer Ridenour gave update on openings in road department, and project updates. Sheriff Mellick gave update on water project at Safety Center and other department updates. Auditor Beyer gave department update and runoff election update.

Following business portion of the meeting, Supervisors went with Engineer Ridenour to view road projects.

23.416-Motion Reiser/Second Keatley to adjourn. Motion carried.

*Dan Byrnes, Chairperson  
Denise Beyer, Auditor*  
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