

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PROCEEDINGS
May 22, 2023

At 8:30 A.M., Chair Drish called the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order.

Board members present were: Susie Drish, Chairman; Dee Sandquist, Vice-Chairman; Lee Dimmitt, Supervisor.

It was moved by Sandquist, seconded by Dimmitt that the minutes for the May 15th, 16th and 17th, 2023 meetings be acknowledged. All "Aye". Motion carried.

Supervisors met with the County Engineer.

It was moved by Sandquist, seconded by Drish to approve change order #1 for Wetland Investigation and Supplemental Agreement for Final Design for Libertyville Road bridge over Big Cedar Creek project #BRS-C051(72)—60-51 to allow for completing design with payment from Farm to Market Funds. All "Aye". Motion carried.

It was moved by Dimmitt, seconded by Sandquist to request an upgrade for the Quince BNSF rail crossing to concrete using covid funds. All "Aye". Motion carried.

Dimmitt moved, Drish seconded to authorize the County Engineer to request the upgrades from BNSF. All "Aye". Motion carried.

It was moved by Sandquist, seconded by Drish that the following resolution be approved. All "Aye". Motion carried.

Resolution

WHEREAS, City of Fairfield, An Iowa Municipal Corporation has presented a request to Jefferson County Board of Supervisors to grant relief and abate real estate taxes shown to be delinquent, and

WHEREAS, City of Fairfield, specifically requests abatement of and cancellation of taxes on the following:

Parcel No. 0625309008

Parcel No. 1001126020

as shown on the attached Official Notice(s) and

WHEREAS, City of Fairfield represents that the above parcels, titled in the name of the City of Fairfield, should not be subject to the Noticed Tax on Real Estate because:

- A. The real estate is owned by a government entity and government should not be taxed.
- B. The real estate is, consistent with its municipal title and ownership, used for public purposes namely:
 - 1. Parks and Recreation
 - 2. Public streets and infrastructure, and

WHEREAS, request for relief and adjustment has been presented prior to May 19, 2023 but taxes may still be pursued and collected by advertisement and publication and tax sale after June 16, 2023, now Therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors, following published AGENDA notice and open meeting discussion of such request, that:

- I. The Request of the City of Fairfield for abatement and cancellation of the tax is appropriate.
- II. The real estate titled in the City is public purposed and should be exempted from real property taxation.
- III. The described parcels for which such abatement and cancellation is requested should be removed from the Official Notice and Publication concerning sale at Tax Sale.
- IV. The noticed tax on real estate for each above described Parcel Number shall be abated and cancelled respectively.

Dated this 22nd day of May, 2023 at Fairfield, Jefferson County, Iowa.

Susie Drish
Chairman, Jefferson County Board of Supervisors

It was moved by Dimmitt, seconded by Sandquist that the uncollectable taxes and fees, which normally would be assessed against the following:

| Parcel | Name | Years | Amount Abated |
|------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| 0531452902 | Brown,Brandon Joe/Jacklyn Marie | 2021 | \$305.00 |
| 0635131902 | Sell, Lee A | 2016-2021 | \$1,167.00 |
| 1789 | Pasch, Terri | 2018-2021 | \$657.00 |
| 46629 | Harwood, Scott | 2016-2018, 2020-2021 | \$982.00 |
| P190971 | Pleasant Plain Invmt Ltd | 2021 | \$65.00 |
| M193938 | Pleasant Plain Invmt Ltd | 2021 | \$76.00 |
| M193936 | Pleasant Plain Invmt Ltd | 2021 | \$76.00 |
| M193924 | Pleasant Plain Invmt Ltd | 2021 | \$76.00 |
| 112M0188 | Pleasant Plain Invmt Ltd | 2021 | \$76.00 |
| 112M0186 | Pleasant Plain Invmt Ltd | 2021 | \$76.00 |
| 112M0185 | Pleasant Plain Invmt Ltd | 2021 | \$76.00 |

are hereby abated, for the above amounts. All "Aye". Motion carried.

Steve Wemmie gave an update on the new property tax law regarding senior and veteran exemptions.

It was moved by Sandquist, seconded by Drish to approve the Services Agreement with JCHC for pre-employment, drug screens and back assessments. All "Aye". Motion carried.

It was moved by Dimmitt, seconded by Drish to purchase a copier/printer/fax for ambulance base. All "Aye". Motion carried.

It was moved by Sandquist, seconded by Drish that the following resolution be approved:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF JEFFERSON
COUNTY APPROVING
MENTAL HEALTH AGENCY OF SOUTHEAST IOWA
REGION 28E**

WHEREAS, Iowa Code 331 expresses the intent of the legislature that Mental Health and Disability Services shall be provided by counties operating together as Regions; and

WHEREAS, the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors has participated in the Southeast Iowa Link (SEIL) 28E Agreement as a member county; and

WHEREAS, the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors has been engaged in the development of the merged Mental Health Agency of Southeast Iowa Region 28E documents; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board represented Counties of Appanoose, Davis, Des Moines, Henry, Jefferson, Keokuk, Lee, Louisa, Mahaska, Monroe, Van Buren, Wapello, and Washington have approved the Mental Health Agency of Southeast Iowa 28E by way of roll call vote at their respective Mental Health and Disability Services Regions Governing Board meetings, and

BE IT RESOLVED that Jefferson County approves the Mental Health Agency of Southeast Iowa 28E.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of May 2023.

Susie Drish
Chairperson Board of Supervisors

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Jefferson County, Iowa, at a regular meeting held on May 22, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Drish, Sandquist, Dimmitt

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Scott Reneker

Clerk to the Board

It was moved by Sandquist, seconded by Dimmitt to approve the disposal system contractor's license for Shaw's Backhoe and Trenching. All "Aye". Motion carried.

It was moved by Sandquist, seconded by Dimmitt that pursuant to the mediation agreement executed in January, a check to Care Ambulance be issued and held in an escrow account with the Clerk of Court to be released upon evidence of compliance. All "Aye". Motion carried.

Drish reported on her Maasdam Barns and SEMCO meetings. Drish also reported on her meeting with a potential Ambulance Medical Director. Sandquist reported on the County website and opioid settlement. Sandquist also reported on her Mental Health and Pathfinders meetings. Dimmitt reported on his Early Childhood meeting.

Public comments: Jeff Shipley spoke with the Supervisors on state legislation.

Dimmitt adjourned.

It was moved by Sandquist, seconded by Drish that the taxes and fees, which normally would be assessed against the following:

| Parcel | Name | Years | Amount Abated |
|------------|--|-------|---------------|
| 1001126019 | Neighborhood Builders and Developers LLC | 2021 | \$43.00 |
| 1001126030 | Neighborhood Builders and Developers LLC | 2021 | \$58.00 |

are hereby abated, for the above amounts. All "Aye". Motion carried.

It was moved by Sandquist, seconded by Drish to allow the claims against the county and to direct the county auditor to issue checks against the various funds of the county in payment of the claims allowed. All "Aye". Motion carried.

There being no further business, it was moved by Drish, seconded by Sandquist to adjourn. All "Aye". Motion carried.

Sandquist toured County roads.

ATTEST:
Scott D. Reneker
County Auditor

Susie Drish, Chairman
Board of Supervisors