

The Marion County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 3014 E Main St Knoxville, IA 50138 on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 with Mark Raymie, Steve McCombs and Kisha Jahner present in-person. Public access to the meeting was available in-person and electronically. Chairman Raymie opened the regular session at 9:00 A.M.

Unless otherwise indicated, all the motions offered at this meeting were carried with the following vote:

Ayes: Raymie, McCombs, Jahner Nays: None Abstentions: None Absent: None

Agenda:

Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve the agenda as posted.

Communications:

Letters were received from the following:

1. Knoxville Township Trustee: Janet Ritchie
2. Knoxville Township Clerk: Lisa Seddon
3. Indiana Township Trustee: Caleb Seelye (resignation)

Public Comments: None

Consent Agenda:

Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve the consent agenda with a correction to a Dept 04 reimbursement claim:

1. Marion County Warrants #248239 - #248441 through 12/13/2022.
2. Marion County Board of Supervisors Regular Session Minutes: 11/22/2022
3. Marion County Board of Supervisor 2202 General Election Canvass Minutes: 11/15/2022
4. Marion County employee salary adjustments. Complete list available in the HR Office.

Business:

1. Sarah Bradshaw, Holmes Murphy, presented a review of the FY23 Employee Benefit program and discussed the upcoming FY24 renewal. She indicated the County would be experiencing at least a 10% premium increase. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to close discussion.

2. Kelly Meyers, Skinner & Paschke PLLC, presented a review of their lobbying activities on behalf of Marion County. The next legislative session is expected to include variations of Property Tax Reform and School Vouchers. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to close discussion.

3. Ed Bull, Marion County Attorney, provided an overview of an upcoming remodel project in the Marion County Courthouse 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Courtroom. The project is intended to move past some of the Covid accommodations and bring the room back to "normal". The work will be completed mainly inhouse and be funded by the County Attorney Collection Fund. McCombs moved and Jahner seconded to close discussion.

4. Joe Mrstik, City of Pleasantville, presented an update on the proposed Pleasantville Adkins Project. Supervisor Raymie shared some proposed bonding rates and payback options on the Counties \$2,300,000 portion of the project. Discussion was held regarding proposed County share between 30% - 70%. McCombs moved and Jahner seconded to close discussion.

5. The Board held brief discussion regarding the upcoming budget process. Supervisor Jahner would like to provide direction to departments regarding Compensation Board recommendations, salaries, and health insurance. The Board was not ready to detail any specific direction at this point and will discuss again in upcoming meeting after more information available. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to close discussion.

6. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Resolution 2022-87 Approving Support and Financial Commitment Pertaining to the Vacant Buildings Demolition Fund Application as follows:

WHEREAS, Marion County, Iowa, wishes to apply to the Iowa Economic Development Authority's Vacant Buildings Demolition Funding Program; and

WHEREAS, the State of Iowa has established a fund for the demolition of vacant buildings owned by the state or formerly owned by the federal government and now under county ownership that are no longer used for state purposes; and

WHEREAS, Marion County, Iowa, has authorized a Loan Agreement and issuance of Taxable General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, to the amount of not to exceed \$11,000,000, as authorized by Sections 331.402, 331.443 and 403.12, of the Code of Iowa, for the purpose of providing funds to pay costs of carrying out essential county purpose project(s) as hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, Marion County, Iowa, has expended \$10.758 million to demolish buildings located on the former VA Hospital Campus; and

WHEREAS, Marion County, Iowa, managed the demolition of the former VA Hospital Campus, and

WHEREAS, if Marion County's application for \$1,000,000 is accepted, the county is required to provide a \$9,800,000 match; and

WHEREAS, Marion County, Iowa, agrees to support the above described project and the above described application by committing to said financial investment; and

WHEREAS, Marion County, Iowa has reviewed the Iowa Economic Development Authority's Vacant Buildings Demolition Funding Program and the guidelines and requirements of said program, including the above –described financial commitment and finds that said application should be made on behalf of Marion County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Marion County, Iowa that the Marion County Board of Supervisors hereby makes application for funding assistance for the VA District demolition project under the Vacant Buildings Demolition Funding Program administered by the Iowa Economic Development Authority, include the financial commitment as outlined in the program documents and above, and the Board of Supervisors Chair, Auditor, or designee is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the appropriate officials and to execute any additional documents in furtherance thereof.

7. Supervisor Jahner presented an update on the Prairie Ridge Project including 30 current homes, 2 new applications, and still no movement on the townhomes due to cost. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to end discussion.

8. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Class E Retail Alcohol License Renewal Application 2022-2023:  
- New Star Newton LLC dba New Star Pella: 977 198<sup>th</sup> Pl., Pella, IA 50219  
The Board did not desire to include the new automatic electronic renewal process.

9. McCombs moved and Jahner seconded to approve Class C Native Wine License Amendment Application 2022-2023:  
- Ronald Vande Lune dba Thunder Creek Winery: 574 210<sup>th</sup> Ave. Pella, IA 50219

10. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve the 2nd reading of proposed Marion County Ordinance 2022-4 amending Marion County Ordinance Book Chapter 55.

11. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Marion County Zoning Board of Adjustment Reappointment:  
- Dale Miller – term ending 12/31/2027

12. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Marion County Zoning Commission Reappointment:  
- Sandy Agan – term ending 12/31/2027

13. McCombs moved and Jahner seconded to approve Marion County Zoning Commission Reappointment:  
- Sarah Treft – term ending 12/31/2027

14. Public Health Department Update: The departmental update was presented to the Board in written form. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to close discussion.

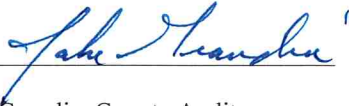
15. Supervisor Raymie updated the Board on a request from the Knoxville Raceway to use some of the City of Knoxville and County (VA Campus) property as parking for the Raceway during large events. The discussion involved leases, railroad crossing and liability. The City of Knoxville will be including the topic on an upcoming agenda. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to close discussion.

16. Board of Supervisor Updates

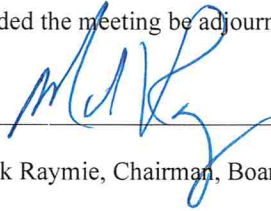
- McCombs: Landfill, HIRTA
- Jahner: Loss of Jasper County Board of Supervisor Denny Carpenter
- Raymie: None

Adjournment:

There being no other business, Jahner moved and McCombs seconded the meeting be adjourned at 10:26 A.M.



Jake Grandia, County Auditor



Mark Raymie, Chairman, Board of Supervisors