

The Marion County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 3014 E. Main St. Knoxville, IA 50138 on Tuesday, May 28, 2024 with Mark Raymie, Steve McCombs, and Kisha Jahner present in-person. Public access to the meeting was available in-person and electronically. Board of Supervisor Chair 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:

- 1. Jahner: Letter received regarding 613 Attica Rd., Knoxville, IA.

Public Comments:

- 1. Marion County Development Director Carla Eysink reported the 2024 Marion County Housing Assessment has been completed and is available on their website.

Consent Agenda:

Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- 1. Marion County Warrants #254591 - #254707 through 5/28/2024.
- 2. Marion County Regular Session Board of Supervisor Minutes: 5/14/2024
- 3. Marion County employee salary adjustments. NOTE: There were no salary changes for this meeting.
- 4. Marion County Conservation Board warrants #254529 - #254589 through 5/22/2024.

Business:

1. Pleasant Grove Township Trustee Vacancy – The Township has a vacancy and the current Trustees did not appoint a 3rd Trustee to fill a vacancy. The Board published the vacancy and requested applications from any interested parties. The Board received applications from the following: Aaron De Moss, Jocelyn Richards, Mark Clifton, Ky Sage. The Board drew a name “out of a hat” and Jocelyn Richards name was drawn. McCombs moved and Jahner seconded to appoint Jocelyn Richards as Pleasant Grove Township Trustee. Marion County Auditor Jake Grandia reported on the appointment term ends 12/31/2024.

2. Marion County Attorney Jared Harmon requested the Board approve an Engagement Agreement with Ahlers Cooney, P.C. for services relating to the County potentially declaring Emergency Medical Services (EMS) as an essential service. The services would include drafting of necessary documents, assisting with proper timeline and legal assistance. Raymie commented on a lack of support for the need to declare EMS as an essential service relating to tax increases. McCombs commented on the need to work through the process and everyone becoming informed. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve the Ahlers Cooney Engagement Agreement.

Ayes: McCombs, Jahner Nay: Raymie Motion carried: 2-1

3. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Resolution 2024-63 Authorize Notice and Setting Date at Which the Board Will Consider a Resolution Declaring Emergency Medical Services to be an Essential Service as follows:

Ayes: Jahner, McCombs Nay: Raymie Motion carried: 2-1

WHEREAS, Iowa Code chapter 422D authorizes a county board of supervisors to submit to the voters a proposal to impose a tax to support the provision of emergency medical services (EMS) within the county; and

WHEREAS, before such proposal may be submitted to the voters, the county board of supervisors must adopt a resolution declaring EMS to be an essential county service; and

WHEREAS, the resolution declaring EMS to be an essential county service must be considered and voted on at three separate meetings of the Board; and

WHEREAS, published notice must be provided at least 60 days prior to the date of the first meeting at which the resolution is considered and voted on.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARION COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA:

That this Board meet in the Board Conference Room, 3014 East Main Street, Knoxville, Iowa, at 9:00 A.M. on August 13, 2024, for the purpose of first considering and voting on a resolution declaring EMS to be an essential county service.

That the County Auditor is hereby directed to cause at least one publication to be made of a notice of said meeting, in a legal newspaper, printed wholly in the English language, published at least once weekly, and having general circulation in said County, said publication to be not less than 60 days prior to the date of said public meeting.

The notice of the proposed action shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARION COUNTY IN THE STATE OF IOWA ON THE MATTER OF THE FIRST CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION DECLARING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TO BE AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Marion County in the State of Iowa, will hold a public hearing on August 13, 2024, at 9:00 A.M. in the Board Conference Room, 3014 East Main Street, Knoxville, Iowa, at which meeting the Board will first consider a resolution declaring emergency medical services to be an essential service.

At the above meeting the Board shall receive oral or written objections from any resident or property owner of said County, to the proposed resolution. After all objections have been received and considered, the Board will at this meeting or at any adjournment thereof, take additional action related to the resolution or will abandon the resolution.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Supervisors of Marion County in the State of Iowa, as provided by section 422D.1, Code of Iowa.

Dated this 28th day of May, 2024.

4. The Board discussed the upcoming July overnight RAGRAI stop in Knoxville. There are many activities planned in the downtown square including a concert stage which will close several streets. Marion County Sheriff Jason Sandholdt recommended the Board close the Courthouse during these events due to logistics and safety. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to close the Marion County Courthouse on July 24, 2024 at 12:00 PM (noon) and reopen on July 25, 2024 at 12:00 PM (noon). All other County operations will continue as normal.

5. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Resolution 2024-53 Approve Disbursement of Funds for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) as follows:

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the 1.9 trillion-dollar American Rescue Plan Act and,

WHEREAS, Marion County applied for and has been received the first tranche of funds for the American Rescue Plan Act totaling \$6,459,005.

WHEREAS, the Marion County Board of Supervisors has reviewed some requests and determined some that will qualify for the American Rescue Plan Act and

WHEREAS, based on the distribution guidelines from the US Department of Treasury, the following VA Campus Project Estimates are being approved for the use of said funds:

- VA Campus Laundry Building – Roof Repair \$29,900
- VA Campus Laundry Building – Equipment Removal \$35,000
- VA Campus Water Tower – Removal \$50,000

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Marion County Board of Supervisors endorses the disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act Funds for the items listed and authorizes the payments as they are presented.

Marion County Sheriff Jason Sandholdt commented there may a need to purchase LEC Back-Up systems with any remaining ARPA monies.

6. McCombs moved and Jahner seconded to approve Resolution 2024-60 Transfer Monies from Local Option Sales and Services Tax (LOSST) Fund to Debt Service Fund for Principal and Interest Payment on the Law Enforcement Center Construction Debt as follows:

WHEREAS, the voters of Marion County approved a \$5,100,000 General Obligation Bond Issue to construct a new Marion County Law Enforcement Center.

WHEREAS, the Marion County Board of Supervisors believe it is in the best interest of the taxpayers of Marion County to supplement the annual debt service principal and interest payment on the Marion County Law Enforcement Center with funds from the proceeds of the Local Option Sales and Services Tax (LOSST) collected in Marion County. The Board approved in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget to use \$300,000 LOSST Funds to reduce the required debt service levy to fund the construction of the Marion County Law Enforcement Center.

WHEREAS, ACCORDING TO chapter 331.432 of the Code of Iowa, the Board of Supervisors must approve the actual transfer,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the transfer of funds from the Marion County Local Option Sales and Services Fund to the Marion County Debt Service Fund be approved by the Marion County Board of Supervisors for the Fiscal Year of 2023-2024, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Auditor and Treasurer be instructed to make the said transfer in a timely fashion equal to the amount of the approved budgeted transfer of \$300,000.

7. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Resolution 2024-61 Authorize Fiscal Year 2023-2024 General Fund Monies to Capital Improvement Fund Transfer as follows:

WHEREAS the Marion County Board of Supervisors approved the Marion County Budget for the fiscal year 2023-2024, and,

WHEREAS the Marion County Board of Supervisors approved the transfer of up to \$50,000 from General Basic Fund (01000) to the Capital Improvements Fund (01007) under the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget, and,

WHEREAS ACCORDING TO chapter 331.432 of the Code of Iowa, the Board of Supervisors must approve the actual transfers,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the transfer of \$50,000 from General Basic Fund to the Capital Improvement Fund be approved by the Marion County Board of Supervisors for the fiscal year of 2023-2024, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor and Treasurer be instructed to make the said transfer in a timely fashion.

8. The Board conducted Marion County Engineer Tyler Christian's annual review per his employment contract. Christian presented his FY25 salary rate increase request of 4%. The Board's consensus was outstanding efforts by Christian and his department. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to received Christian's recommendation and approve FY25 wage increase at 4%.

9. McCombs moved and Jahner seconded to approve Resolution 2024-52 Additional Expense Appropriation – Medical Examiner (Dept 28) as follows:

WHEREAS the Marion County Board of Supervisors approved the Marion County Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 on April 11, 2023, and

WHEREAS the monies must be appropriated for each department according to Iowa Code §331.434(6) and were approved by the Marion County Board of Supervisors on June 27, 2023,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the following expenses be additionally appropriated for each department listed for the FY 2023-2024 fiscal year as follows:

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Approved Appropriation</u>	<u>Amend Appropriation</u>
Medical Examiner	\$149,330	\$134,397	\$14,933

10. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Resolution 2024-54 Additional Expense Appropriation – Conservation (Dept 22) as follows:

WHEREAS the Marion County Board of Supervisors approved the Marion County Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 on April 11, 2023, and

WHEREAS the monies must be appropriated for each department according to Iowa Code §331.434(6) and were approved by the Marion County Board of Supervisors on June 27, 2023,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the following expenses be additionally appropriated for each department listed for the FY 2023-2024 fiscal year as follows:

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Approved Appropriation</u>	<u>Amend Appropriation</u>
Conservation	\$1,725,097	\$1,641,206	\$83,891

11. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Resolution 2024-55 Additional Expense Appropriation – Development (Dept 63) as follows:

WHEREAS the Marion County Board of Supervisors approved the Marion County Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 on April 11, 2023, and

WHEREAS the monies must be appropriated for each department according to Iowa Code §331.434(6) and were approved by the Marion County Board of Supervisors on June 27, 2023,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the following expenses be additionally appropriated for each department listed for the FY 2023-2024 fiscal year as follows:

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Approved Appropriation</u>	<u>Amend Appropriation</u>
Development – Dept 63	\$270,600	\$255,808	\$11,724

12. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Resolution 2024-56 Additional Expense Appropriation – GIS (Dept 18) as follows:

WHEREAS the Marion County Board of Supervisors approved the Marion County Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 on April 11, 2023, and

WHEREAS the monies must be appropriated for each department according to Iowa Code §331.434(6) and were approved by the Marion County Board of Supervisors on June 27, 2023,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the following expenses be additionally appropriated for each department listed for the FY 2023-2024 fiscal year as follows:

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Approved Appropriation</u>	<u>Amend Appropriation</u>
GIS – Dept 18	\$131,982	\$127,672	\$4,310

13. McCombs moved and Jahner seconded to approve Resolution 2024-57 Additional Expense Appropriation – IT (Dept 52) as follows:

WHEREAS the Marion County Board of Supervisors approved the Marion County Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 on April 11, 2023, and

WHEREAS the monies must be appropriated for each department according to Iowa Code §331.434(6) and were approved by the Marion County Board of Supervisors on June 27, 2023,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the following expenses be additionally appropriated for each department listed for the FY 2023-2024 fiscal year as follows:

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Approved Appropriation</u>	<u>Amend Appropriation</u>
IT – Dept 52	\$649,826	\$619,806	\$30,020

14. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Resolution 2024-58 Additional Expense Appropriation – Court Services (Dept 06) as follows:

WHEREAS the Marion County Board of Supervisors approved the Marion County Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 on April 11, 2023, and

WHEREAS the monies must be appropriated for each department according to Iowa Code §331.434(6) and were approved by the Marion County Board of Supervisors on June 27, 2023,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the following expenses be additionally appropriated for each department listed for the FY 2023-2024 fiscal year as follows:

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Approved Appropriation</u>	<u>Amend Appropriation</u>
Court Services – Dept 06	\$206,235	\$195,085	\$11,150

15. McCombs moved and Jahner seconded to approve Resolution 2024-59 Additional Expense Appropriation – Non-Departmental (Dept 99) as follows:

WHEREAS the Marion County Board of Supervisors approved the Marion County Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 on April 11, 2023, and

WHEREAS the monies must be appropriated for each department according to Iowa Code §331.434(6) and were approved by the Marion County Board of Supervisors on June 27, 2023,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the following expenses be additionally appropriated for each department listed for the FY 2023-2024 fiscal year as follows:

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Approved Appropriation</u>	<u>Amend Appropriation</u>
Non-Departmental–Dept 99	\$12,079,936	\$8,112,936	\$214,275

16. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Resolution 2024-62 Additional Expense Appropriation – Road Department (Dept 20) as follows:

WHEREAS, the Marion County Board of Supervisors approved the Marion County Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 on April 11, 2023, and

WHEREAS, the monies must be appropriated for each department according to Iowa Code §331.434(6) and were approved by the Marion County Board of Supervisors on June 27, 2023,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the following expenses be additionally appropriated for each department listed for the FY 2023-2024 fiscal year as follows:

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Approved Appropriation</u>	<u>Amend Appropriation</u>
Enviro. Restoration – Dept 20	\$158,466	\$142,619	\$15,847

17. Board of Supervisor Updates:

McCombs: Marion County Comprehensive Plan Meeting, HIRTA

Jahner: None

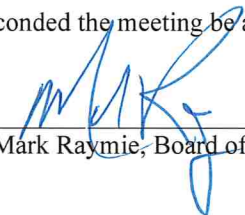
Raymie: Mental Health, Special BOS Meeting Offer Letter

Adjournment:

There being no other business, Jahner moved and McCombs seconded the meeting be adjourned at 9:52 A.M.



Jake Grandia, County Auditor



Mark Raymie, Board of Supervisor Chair