

The Board of Supervisors met on 10/22/19 at 10:00 a.m. in the Story County Administration Building. Members present: Lisa Heddens, Linda Murken, and Lauris Olson, with Murken presiding. (all audio of meetings available at [storycountyia.gov](http://storycountyia.gov))

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** Olson moved, Heddens seconded adopting the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously (MCU) on a roll call vote.

**VETERANS AFFAIRS QUARTERLY REPORT** – Brett Mclain reported on programs, events, community outreach, training and education, distribution of expenditures, and demographics for the first quarter of the fiscal year.

**MINUTES:** 10/15/19 Minutes – Heddens moved, Olson seconded the approval of 10/15/19 Minutes as presented. Roll call vote. (MCU)

**PERSONNEL ACTIONS:** 1) new hire, effective 10/28/19, in Sheriff's Office for Alexander Janorschke @ \$1,958.40/bw; 2) pay adjustment, effective 11/10/19, in a) Facilities Management for Danny Harrison @ \$21.26/hr; b)

Secondary Roads for Joseph Bottorf @ \$28.49/hr; c) Sheriff's Office for Micah Andersen @ \$3,184.19/bw; Jeffrey Scott @ \$2,636.00/bw; Sherry Sinclair @ \$21.29/hr; 3) re-hire, effective 11/4/19, in Attorney's Office for Danielle Meek @ \$15.00/hr. Olson moved, Heddens seconded the approval of Personnel Actions as presented. Roll call vote. (MCU)

Heddens moved, Olson seconded approval of the Consent Agenda as presented.

1. Quarterly Report: Veterans Affairs
2. Easement agreements with the Iowa State University Foundation for construction of a multi-use recreational trail
3. Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) reimbursement for Transportation Alternatives Program Grant and State Recreational Grant for paving of the Heart of Iowa Nature Trail (HOINT) between R38 (510<sup>th</sup> Avenue) and 535<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Roll call vote. (MCU)

**APPOINTMENT OF SUE DRAPER TO THE ANALYSIS OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND EVALUATION TEAM (ASSET) FOR AN UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING 3/31/22** – Murken reported on Draper's qualifications. Olson moved, Heddens seconded the approval of the Appointment of Sue Draper to ASSET for an unexpired term ending 3/31/22.

Olson thanked Community Services Director Karla Webb for her efforts in filling the vacancy. Roll call vote. (MCU)

**APPOINTMENT OF NANCY FRANZ TO THE CONSERVATION BOARD FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM ENDING 12/31/24** – Murken reported on Franz's qualifications. Heddens moved, Olson seconded the approval of the Appointment of Nancy Franz to the Conservation Board for a five-year term ending 12/31/24. Olson thanked Franz for her past and continuing service. Roll call vote. (MCU)

**AGREEMENT WITH THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND FOR A LOCAL FUNDING FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR \$24,700.00 (UN-BUDGETED)** – Michael Cox, Conservation Director, reported on previous discussions. The feasibility study will provide a thorough examination of sustainable funding options for Conservation. Conservation will fund the study via the Friends of Conservation account. Ted Tedesco, Member, Conservation Board, provided the viewpoint of the Conservation Board, and requested approval. Heddens spoke about previous discussions. Murken asked about similar efforts in Linn County. Is this a two-phase project? Cox replied the study will provide a number of options; what option is chosen will dictate the next steps. Murken asked about future costs, and if Conservation will also fund those. Cox stated yes. Murken asked about additional costs. Cox replied a special election is a possibility, depending on public response. Murken stated Linn County's report was fairly general; more targeted information specific to Story County is the expected outcome. Tedesco agreed additional detail is needed for the public. Olson stated the main question boils down to whether bonding is feasible. Tedesco stated both Johnson and Polk counties have recently successfully passed multi-million dollar general obligation bonds for Conservation. Heddens asked when Conservation can reasonably expect the study to begin. Cox stated right away. Murken asked about updates to the Strategic Plan. Would an update be useful for this study? Cox will talk to the Conservation Board. Discussion took place. Olson moved, Heddens seconded the approval of the Agreement with the Trust for Public Land for a Local Funding Feasibility Study for \$24,700.00 funded by Conservation's private donations. Roll call vote. (MCU) Tedesco thanked the Board.

**REQUEST TO APPLY FOR DESIGNATION AS A BIRD-FRIENDLY COUNTY** – Erica Place, Conservation Outreach Coordinator, provided background information on Bird Friendly Iowa and the criteria to be designated a bird-friendly community. Place and Michael Cox, Conservation Director, provided input into the creation of the program. The application is due in December. Place requested approval from the Board. Murken asked about the fee. Place responded there is an annual fee of \$100.00. Murken asked about additional County ordinances necessitated by the criteria. Place stated Conservation would provide the needed information, but she does not think it would necessarily require additional or updated ordinances. Olson asked about signage. Cox stated the annual fee would be paid by Conservation. He provided additional detail on the program. He thanked Place. Heddens moved, Olson seconded approval for the Request to Apply for Designation as a Bird-Friendly County. Roll call vote. (MCU)

**UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS:** Olson reported local emergency food assistance and workforce development will be items on future agendas.

**PUBLIC FORUM #2:** Ted Rasmusson, County Treasurer, announced the Blue Star Mother drive that the Treasurer's Office is hosting. Olson asked questions about weighty items. Rasmusson stated cash donations go towards postage because of shipping costs. Murken thanked the Treasurer's Office.

**LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS, COMMITTEE MEETINGS UPDATES, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE SUPERVISORS:** Olson and Heddens both provided detail on recent meetings. All Board members provided an upcoming meeting schedule. Olson spoke about schedule and preparation for the FY21 budget.

Heddens moved, Olson seconded to adjourn at 11:06 a.m. Roll call vote. (MCU)