

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA  
MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2017 9:00 A.M.

The Board met in session at the Linn County Jean Oxley Public Service Center.  
Present: Chairperson Oleson, Vice Chairperson Harris, Supervisors Rogers, Houser and Walker. Board members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Oleson.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Harris to approve minutes of March 1, 2017 as printed.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Harris to open a public hearing for Case JR17-0001, a request to rezone property located in the 9000 block of Feather Ridge Rd. from RR3 district to USB district. Proof of publication was presented.

Stephanie Lientz, Planning & Development, presented both the rezoning case and the associated Preliminary Plat for Feather Ridge Heights Addition, Case JP17-0001, Barbara & Raymond Novey, property owners; DK Land Services, LLC, Petitioner. She stated that this is for 25 - 1 acres lots. The proposal meets development standards in the Unified Development Code with the exception that the Monroe Fire Dept. is 3.4 miles rather than the required 2.5 miles. The applicant has submitted a letter from the fire department indicating that their response time is approximately 8 minutes which is acceptable to staff. Lientz also stated that there were neighbors in attendance at the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting expressing concerns about traffic and drainage. The applicant held a neighborhood meeting to address those concerns. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval and added a condition (based on resident's concerns) that only single family dwellings could be allowed.

Supervisor Oleson stated that this is the neighborhood that a church property decided to sell land for town houses (around the bend). It was his understanding that the complaint by neighbors at the time was that it didn't fit the neighborhood. He asked if this is within 2 miles of Cedar Rapids. Lientz clarified that it was.

Supervisor Harris also clarified that there is no new direct access from Blairs Ferry Rd. but there is one from Feather Ridge. Lientz confirmed that was true.

Dustin Kern, 4246 Churchill Dr., Marion, stated that he is the developer and appreciates staff working with them. He did hold a neighborhood meeting and addressed property values, drainage and traffic. He has committed to using the existing access to Blairs Ferry Rd. for construction equipment. Once construction is finished, that access will be eliminated.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Houser to close public hearing.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Houser to approve first consideration Case JR17-0001, a request to rezone property located in the 9000 block of Feather Ridge Rd, Outlot A Novey First Addition from RR3 (Rural Residential 3 Acre) district to USB (Urban Services Residential) district. Barbara & Raymond Novey, property owners; DK Land Services, LLC, Petitioner.

Tom Hardecopf, LIFTS Dir., met with the Board to discuss a local match payment of \$64,389.52 to ECICOG (East Central Iowa Council of Governments) for two Linn County LIFTS buses. The Board will approve on Wednesday.

Steve Tucker, Finance Dir., met with the Board to discuss a resolution entitled "A Resolution Financing of Certain Proposed Projects to be Undertaken by Linn County Iowa; Establishing Compliance with Reimbursement Bond Regulations under the Internal Revenue Code" related to Linn County Water and Land Legacy bonds. He stated that funds will be paid from Conservation reserve and at the time there is enough debt to issue bonds, that fund will be repaid. The Board will approve on Wednesday.

Les Beck, Planning & Development, met with the Board to discuss a proposed Urban Renewal Agreement between Linn County and the City of Marion. The area is west of Hwy. 13 north of Mt. Vernon Rd. It is within two miles of both Cedar Rapids and Marion. A public hearing will also be held on March 27<sup>th</sup>. The Board will approve on Wednesday.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Harris to approve Employment Change Roster (Payroll Authorizations) as follows:

FACILITIES DEPARTMENT

Sr Facilities Worker	Mark Lukes	Shift Change	03/27/17 18E \$24.99 - 18E \$24.99 + \$ .25
Lead Custodian	Anna Garcia	Bid Award - FT	02/01/17 Corrected hourly rate
		10D \$17.39 + \$ .25 - 10E \$17.99 = \$ .25	Replaces J. Blakley
Custodian	Sharmake Abdi	Step increase/contract	02/29/17 10B \$16.24 + \$ .25 - 10C \$16.88 + \$ .25
Custodian	Ashley Jennings	Step increase/contract	02/09/17 10B \$16.24 + \$ .25 - 10C \$16.88 + \$ .25
Custodian	Anna Garcia	Step increase/contract	06/26/16 10C \$16.45 + \$ .25 - 10D \$16.95 + \$ .25
		Eff Dte: 07/01/16	10D \$16.95 + \$ .25 - 10D \$17.39 + \$ .25
Custodian	Isaac Meister	Step increase/contract	03/07/17 10B \$16.24 + \$ .25 - 10C \$16.88 + \$ .25
Custodian	Dorlisa Smith	End of Probation	11/07/16 10A \$15.73 + \$ .25 - 10B \$16.24 + \$ .25

COMMUNITY SERVICES

CARF Consultant	James Nagel	Termination/position ended	02/28/17
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Supervisor Houser questioned the start date of Mark Lukes shift change. If there is an error, a new Payroll Authorization will be submitted.

The Board received and placed on file a thank you from Iowa Orchestra for Witwer Trust funds.

Supervisor Houser asked if anyone was interested in going to Des Moines for the preemption bill public hearing tonight. Supervisor Rogers stated that he spoke to several Supervisors on Saturday and it was their opinion that it would not seem to be valuable to go to Des Moines given the time allowed to speak. Chairperson Oleson stated that they can get online and submit their opposition in writing.

Legislative Update: Supervisor Oleson stated that it will be a big week for bills at the Capitol, noting that there will be a lot of things that will hurt counties, cities and school districts. He had a conversation with Representative Louie Zumbach regarding his independent voting which has not occurred to date. Oleson stated that he thought government closest to the people was supposed to have the opportunity to address issues that affected people's daily lives.

The Board adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor  
By: Rebecca Shoop, Deputy Auditor

Approved by:

BRENT OLESON, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors