

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2019 9:00 A.M.

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

Chairperson Walker called the meeting to order.

Motion by Walker, seconded by Rogers to approve minutes of August 5, 2019 as printed.

The Board heard updates from the following Elected Officials:

Brian Gardner, Sheriff - BearCat has arrived - staff attended training and it will be unveiled next week; US Marshall fees discussion won't be addressed until October (substantial increase).

Supervisor Oleson asked about the deputy numbers and Gardner responded that four deputies were just hired with retesting to take place again in September.

Discussion continued regarding the applicant pool for new hires and minorities; Sheriff's legislative priorities, status of the jail nurses and status of new Marion Policy Department Chief (have pool of 10).

Supervisor Walker thanked Gardner for his office's support with the Expungement Clinic.

Jerry Vander Sanden, Attorney - making a commitment to communicate with the Board so his office does not get forgotten; referenced an email chain with a lost contract; will need additional office space for new personnel (formal space needs assessment); will be asking for a minimum of three new positions next fiscal year (assistant and legal assistants).

Teresa Sacket, Deputy Recorder, and Carolyn Siebrecht, Deputy Recorder - installed new passport camera photo system; working on ATV/UTV ordinance for Linn County; new panic button installed.

Sharon Gonzalez, Treasurer - taxes have been certified; generated file to send to vendor; tax bills to be mailed in the next week; new blackout plates are very popular; Deputy Treasurer position interviews to take place this week; lots of July kudo's in her office.

Supervisor Rogers asked about the Deputy Treasurer position and Gonzalez responded that a four year accounting degree or equivalent experience is required. He also asked about security issues since their last update and Gonzalez stated that they have not had any incidents since her last report.

Becky Shoop, Deputy Auditor, and Rhonda Betsworth, Deputy Auditor - Elections staff is in Polk County assisting with poll pads; have received \$6,600 from the Great Iowa Treasurer Hunt; tax list certified; software update - Tyler tax status meeting was yesterday (making slow progress), GovSense - behind the scenes work being done until they pick the HR/Payroll system; non-profit status - flagging claims; staffing - Accounting Analyst position will be re-posted and Account Technician closes on August 14<sup>th</sup>; candidate filing begins August 26<sup>th</sup>; fall mailer to be sent in September; TV ad with Auditor Miller and Auditor Weipert (Johnson Co.); status of security - Supervisor Rogers stated that this item is with the Board Support team.

Adjournment at 10:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor  
By: Amanda Hoy, Executive Assistant

Approved by:

STACEY WALKER, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors