

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2018 9:00 A.M.

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

Chairperson Harris called the meeting to order.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Houser to approve minutes of August 15, 2018 as printed.

The Board heard updates from the following Elected Officials:

Brian Gardner, Sheriff - thanked the Board for their approval of the three additional deputy positions noting that there are five vacancies with interviews taking place tomorrow.

Gardner and Lisa Powell, HR Dir., discussed an ongoing issue with FMLA usage of the jail's nursing staff. He would like to hire an additional nurse to help eliminate the void in the schedule and provide the required medical services to the inmates. The Board will discuss further at a future board meeting.

Joan McCalmant, Recorder - passports remain very busy; attending ISAC this week; legislative priorities (renew boats statewide, certified vital fee, name change affidavit, ground water hazard fee).

Sharon Gonzalez, Treasurer - reduced transaction fee on Iowa Tax and Title website; applied advance property taxes; tax bills mailed last Friday; conducted interviews for five positions.

Sara Bearrows, Deputy Treasurer - presented the quarterly cash and investments report.

Becky Shoop, Deputy Auditor - stopped issuing NOD's due to new legislation; IPERS audit resulted in an issue with the jailer classification (female correctional officers). The Board will discuss further on a future agenda.

Supervisor Walker left the meeting at this time (9:55 a.m.).

Stacey Law, Deputy Auditor - posted property taxes on July 30th; issues with homestead and disabled vet reports; discussed advantage of new Tyler software.

Joel Miller, Auditor - staff member is now an active CPA; proposed legislative change to eliminate requirement for wet ink signature on electronically submitted and signed absentee ballot requests and require direct deposit of pay checks; two upcoming elections; attended Defcon training; discussing cybersecurity and election vulnerabilities on River to River segment today; attending ISAC; will push for risk eliminated audits for elections.

Adjournment at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

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

Approved by:

JOHN HARRIS, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors