

The Marion County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 3014 E. Main St. Knoxville, IA 50138 on Tuesday February 13, 2024 with Mark Raymie, Steve McCombs, and Kisha Jahner present in-person. Public access to the meeting was available in-person and electronically. Chairperson Jahner 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 Mc Combs seconded to approve the agenda as posted.

Communications:

1. Supervisor Jahner – regarding the Public Health Press Release that noted “Board of Supervisors” – no quorum
2. Supervisor McCombs – received many communications regarding EMS

Public Comments: None

Consent Agenda:

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

Marion County Recorder Naomi Ellis was asked to address her employee wage increase request. Ellis reported her staff member had achieved an ESS Certification and the increase was merited.

1. Marion County Warrants #253238 - #253447 through 2/13/2024.
2. Marion County Regular Session Board of Supervisor Minutes: 1/23/2024
3. Marion County Special Session Board of Supervisor Minutes: 1/23/2024, 1/24/2024, 1/25/2024, 1/26/2024
4. Marion County employee salary adjustments. Complete list available in the Human Resource Office.

Business:

1. T. Waldmann-Williams, Knoxville Rotary, requested the Board allow placement of Sycamore Tree Plaques on the Marion County Courthouse Bandstand in honor of past Rotarians. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve placement of Rotary Plaques on the Courthouse Bandstand.

2. Jason Reed, Marion County Fair Association, presented a VA Campus - License to Occupy request for parking in 2024. McCombs moved and Raymie seconded to approve the License to Occupy for parking at the VA Campus.

3. City of Pella Administrator Mike Nardini presented a request for a two-year Agreement regarding allocation distribution of Marion County Local Option Sales and Services Tax. The Board held discussion regarding the details of the Agreement. McCombs moved and Jahner seconded to approve Resolution 2024-21 Agreement Pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 28E with the City of Pella, Iowa, regarding Allocation of Local Option Sales and Services Tax Revenues (LOSST) as follows:

WHEREAS, this agreement is between and among Marion County, Iowa, (hereinafter “County”) and the incorporated City of Pella, Iowa (hereinafter “Pella”), (County and Pella hereinafter collectively “Parties”); and

WHEREAS, Chapter 28E, Code of Iowa, allows Parties to enter into agreements; and

WHEREAS, Parties have determined that there is a need to formulate a workable program for utilizing their respective resources and other appropriate private and public resources to provide for the financing, construction, equipping and maintenance of various public projects within their respective boundaries; and

WHEREAS, Parties have determined that they should jointly exercise their powers under Chapters 28E and 423B of the Code of Iowa, 2023, as amended, to take certain actions that the parties deem necessary or appropriate to achieve their goals and objectives as they pertain to their respective projects; and

WHEREAS, the County has a local option sales and services tax that has been in effect since January 1, 2004 with no sunset; and

WHEREAS, Pella has a local option sales and services tax that has been in effect since January 1, 2002 with an automatic repeal date of December 31, 2043; and

WHEREAS, the parties agree that the formula for distribution of revenues collected from the tax should be amended and that an alternative formula for distribution/allocation of the revenues should be agreed upon; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of all citizens of Marion County that an agreement be reached.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Marion County, Iowa that the Chair and County Auditor, on behalf of Marion County, are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement Pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 28E between Marion County, Iowa, and the City of Pella, Iowa Regarding Allocation of Local Option Sales and Services Tax Revenues.

Public Comment: Supervisor Raymie introduced a Public Comment from Rhonda Berhow via the Zoom chat against the Pella Rec Center Funding and for a large outdoor swimming pool in Knoxville.

4. Marion County Economic Development Director Carla Eysink presented her succession plan including the creation of an Assistant Director position. Eysink reiterated anyone hired for the Assistant Director Position cannot assume to inherit the Director Position. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve posting for an Assistant Director Position.

5. The Board held discussion regarding long term planning for the Knoxville Memorial building with Knoxville Memorial Hall Commissioner Dick Reed. The Commission takes care of daily expenses and revenues regarding the building. The building is heavily used by youth sports and pickleball. The County and Commission recently spent \$60,000 repairing the roof. Marion County Attorney Jared Harmon indicated the County is not required to provide a Memorial Hall. Reed indicated he would speak with the America Legion regarding the building. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to close discussion.

6. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to approve Marion County Special Event Application:
- Denay Marsh: Knoxville Farmer's Market 2024 – Tuesdays/Saturdays

7. Marion County HR Manager Lisa Seddon reporting Bargaining Unit processes have recently changed and the annual retainer for Bargaining Unit Negotiation services historically performed by Renee Von Bokern are no longer needed. The County has a fee for service relationship with another firm if needed in the future. Jahner moved and McCombs seconded to pay final retainer and end service with Von Bokern.

8. Board of Supervisor Updates:

McCombs: meetings this week

Jahner: None

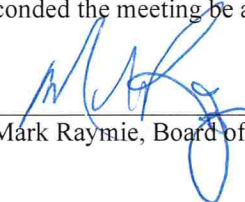
Mark: Compensation Board legislation, VA Campus Development Group update,

- EMS – Apologies regarding press release edits and clarification on 2 different groups. Lengthy discussion regarding EMS committees, purposes and rights including several public comments from Ben Truetken, Rhonda Berhow, Cal Wyman, Supervisor Jahner, Supervisor McCombs, Mike Roberts, and Heather Ussery.

Adjournment:

There being no other business, Jahner moved and McCombs seconded the meeting be adjourned at 10:17 A.M.


Jake Grandia, Auditor


Mark Raymie, Board of Supervisor Chair