

**BOARD MINUTES
FEBRUARY 13, 2023**

The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors met in regular session, Monday, February 13, 2023 in the Board Room of the Courthouse. Present were: Michael C. Hadley, Fred Snakenberg, Daryl Wood and Christy Bates, County Auditor.

8:30 a.m.- Meeting was called to order. Motion was made by Deke Wood to approve the agenda. Fred Snakenberg seconded the motion. All ayes and motion carried. Also present was Casey Jarmes, News-Review.

8:35 a.m. - Review and approval of minutes of previous board meeting was held. Motion was made by Fred Snakenberg to approve the minutes of February 6, 2023 as submitted. Deke Wood seconded the motion. All ayes and motion carried.

8:45 a.m. - Met with Engineer Andy McGuire regarding the Keokuk County Highway Department.

1. Review and possible approval of updated dust control policy was held. Andy informed he has been working on updating the procedure and permit process to have applicants submit the dust control permit directly to the vendor. Once all applications are collected, names will then be turned over to the county for prep work. Individuals that chose to apply their own dust control must provide a one-million-dollar insurance policy naming Keokuk County for liability purposes. Motion was made by Deke Wood to approve the updated policy as submitted. Fred Snakenberg seconded the motion. All ayes and motion carried.

2. Discussion and possible approval of proposal for salt storage structure was held. Andy reminded there is funding available by application for roads (mud jacking), bridges (deck patch) and winter maintenance (additional salt storage structure). He is looking at a fabric hoop structure that could hold the entire year's supply of salt, since the current building is in poor condition. Andy has been in contact with Source Well and received 3 bids to date, or choose to advertise for bids locally as well. Motion was made by Mike Hadley for approval to proceed with advertisement for bids regarding proposed salt storage structure. Deke Wood seconded the motion. All ayes and motion carried.

9:00 a.m. – Public hearing with Keokuk County Conference Board regarding the FY2024 Keokuk County Assessor's budget and adoption thereof was held with Drew Sanders, Assessor/GIS. Also present were: Bryan Lee, Webster Mayor; Jimmy Morlan, Sigourney Mayor; Cody Branstad, Sigourney School Board and Ben Molyneux, Tri-County School Board. Casey Jarmes inquired of the membership of the Conference Board and purpose thereof. Drew stated no oral or written objections were received and noted he received the proof of publication. Motion was made by Deke Wood, seconded by Cody Branstad to close the public hearing at 9:12 a.m. Motion for adoption of the FY24 Assessor's budget was made by Jimmy Morlan, seconded by Fred Snakenberg. A rollcall vote was held: Cities – aye; Schools – aye; County – aye. All ayes and motion carried. Motion to adjourn was made by Bryan Lee, seconded by Deke Wood. All ayes and motion carried.

9:15 a.m. – Possible approval of work week resolution for Sheriff's Department was held. Adam Pence, Chief Deputy, explained their wish is to change the regular 40-hour work week to a biweekly 80-hour split shift that equates to 12-hour shifts and two (2) 10-hour shifts for both deputies and dispatchers to help with overtime and/or compensatory time and rotation of weekends. Adam further stated this procedure is a current federal law for law enforcement and correction officers. Motion was

made by Fred Snakenberg to approve the split-shift resolution as submitted. Deke Wood seconded the motion. All ayes and motion carried.

9:25 a.m. – Consideration and possible approval of Keokuk County Bowl class C liquor license (LC)(Commercial) Sunday sales application was held. All paperwork is in order. Motion was made by Deke Wood to approve the class C liquor license as submitted and authorize the Board of Supervisor Chairman to sign on behalf of Keokuk County. Fred Snakenberg seconded the motion. All ayes and motion carried.

9:30 a.m. – Various Board and Committee reports was held. Deke Wood attended Pathfinders, RUSS and Soil & Water-Extension Office meetings. Fred Snakenberg attended Decat, SEIL and Iowa Workforce meetings. Mike Hadley attended Semco and 911 meetings last week.

9:45 a.m.- Discussion of old/new business and public comment was held. Christy Bates reviewed the draft version of the FY24 County budget and discussed SF181 regarding Iowa Department of Revenue reissuance of assessment residential rollback and SSB 1124 regarding limitation of general county services levy rate and percentage thereof. Bates will email a letter on behalf of Keokuk County to express our strong disapproval against said proposed legislation and potential devastating negative impact equating to a reduction in essential services.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn was made by Mike Hadley. All ayes and the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet Tuesday, February 21, 2023.

Michael C. Hadley, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

Daryl Wood

Fred Snakenberg

Christy Bates