

**KEOKUK COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS
MARCH 25, 2024**

The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors met in regular session, Monday, March 25, 2024, in the Board Room of the Courthouse. Present were: Michael C. Hadley, Daryl Wood, Fred Snakenberg and Christy Bates, Auditor.

Snakenberg moved, Wood seconded to approve the agenda. All ayes and motion carried. Also present was Casey James, News-Review, Jared Hershberger, Dusty Fox Wind and Tammy Wetjen Kesterson, Decat.

Wood moved, Snakenberg seconded to approve the minutes of March 18, 2024, as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Met with Engineer McGuire regarding the Keokuk County Highway department as follows: equipment was outfitted for snow removal and is now being stripped back down.

Snakenberg moved, Wood seconded approval of union bargaining agreement through FY2026 as submitted. All ayes and motion carried. Only change was a 3% wage increase for the next two years.

Wood moved, Snakenberg seconded approval of resolution to submit application to the Community Project grant for concrete overlay of the west half of G13/Pigeon Road as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Snakenberg moved, Wood seconded approval of personnel report for retirement of Doug Klett, Secondary Roads Maintenance Superintendent as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Wood moved, Snakenberg seconded approval of quarterly interfund operating transfer from Rural Basic Fund (\$438,000) and LOST Fund (\$50,000) to Secondary Road Fund totaling \$488,000 as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Met with Tammy Wetjen-Kesterson regarding April being National Child Abuse Prevention month. Wood moved, Snakenberg seconded to approve the proclamation as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Wood moved, Snakenberg seconded to set the public hearing for the FY25 Keokuk County budget as April 8, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the Boardroom. All ayes and motion carried.

Various Board and Committee reports were held. Wood attended HIPAA and wind turbine public forum meetings. Snakenberg participated in an Early Childhood meeting. Hadley attended a Semco and wind turbine public forum meetings last week.

Discussion of old/new business and public comment was held. Jared Hershberger, Dusty Fox Wind, gave an update on the wind turbine project stating they currently have eleven signed leases, are four to five years out from construction, informed of an upcoming moderated informational meeting and inquired if Keokuk County is going to have an ordinance with setback distances. Board consensus was to wait until the end of legislative session to ensure they don't pass legislation regarding said matter.

On vote and motion Hadley adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

The above and foregoing information is a summary of the minutes taken at the above indicated meeting. The full and complete set of minutes is available at the Keokuk County Auditor's Office and www.keokukcounty.iowa.gov.

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Michael C. Hadley

Daryl Wood

Fred Snakenberg