

**BOARD MINUTES
OCTOBER 9, 2023**

The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors met in regular session, Monday, October 9, 2023, in the Board Room of the Courthouse. Present were: Michael C. Hadley, Daryl Wood, Fred Snakenberg 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 previous board meeting minutes was held. Motion was made by Fred Snakenberg to approve the minutes of October 2, 2023, as submitted. Deke Wood seconded the motion. All ayes and motion carried.

8:45 a.m. -Meeting with Andy McGuire, Engineer regarding Keokuk County Highway Department was held. Andy shared receipt of road grading compliments from contractors on employee teamwork and performance. The bridge inspection results indicated approximately eight bridges left to be maintained within five years. The Iowa County Engineer's Association has a coop RAISE grant available for application of significant infrastructure. Andy would like to submit an application for the bridge north of railroad tracks near Richland. Board consensus was to proceed and ratify action at next weeks meeting. Andy inquired if there was funding for the final two crack sealing areas. Discussion arose regarding HF718, how it will affect fiscal year 2025 budget and the need of thoughtful spending.

9:00 a.m. – Consideration and possible approval of Barn Wired Class C liquor license and Sunday sales application was held. All paperwork was in order. Motion was made by Deke Wood to approve the liquor license as submitted and to authorize the Auditor's Office to approve on-line with the Iowa Alcohol Beverage Division. Fred Snakenberg seconded the motion. All ayes and motion carried.

9:05 a.m. – Meeting with Keokuk County Conservation Department for presentation of the fiscal year end 2023 annual report was held with Pie Reighard, Director and Brian Ulin. Pie summarized the report and informed the Conservation Board has been discussing the possibility of adding a fourth full-time employee due to the amount of acres, patrolling, cabins, camp grounds, snow removal, etc. that stretch current employees too thin. Pie ended by informing the Conservation Board meets this evening.

9:25 a.m. – Various Board and Committee reports was held. Fred Snakenberg participated in a Decat meeting. Neither Deke Wood nor Mike Hadley had scheduled meetings to attend last week.

9:29 a.m.- Discussion of old/new business and public comment was not held due to no further matters to discuss.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn was made by Mike Hadley. All ayes and the meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet Monday, October 16, 2023.

Michael C. Hadley, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

Daryl Wood

Fred Snakenberg

Christy Bates