

**BOARD MINUTES
OCTOBER 23, 2023**

The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors met in regular session, Monday, October 23, 2023, in the Board Room of the Courthouse. Present were: Michael C. Hadley, Daryl Wood and Christy Bates, County Auditor. Fred Snakenberg was absent.

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

8:35 a.m. - Review and approval of previous board meeting minutes was held. Motion was made by Deke Wood to approve the minutes of October 16, 2023, as submitted. Mike Hadley seconded the motion. All ayes and motion carried.

8:45 a.m.-Meeting with Andy McGuire, Engineer regarding the Keokuk County Highway Department. Andy attended a safety meeting that was also attended by State DOT, State Patrol, Sheriff Deputy employees. The weed commissioner annual report was presented for Board of Supervisor Chairman signature. Road patching is taking place on V67. A 20' cement driveway apron will be poured that attaches to the pavement at the county shop to eliminate washouts. Denco will be providing invoices for the crack sealing to date. Mud patching will begin soon. A survey was submitted for the next RAISE grant as a funding opportunity to assist with big bridge replacement projects, specifically the bridge between W15 and north of the railroad tracks near Richland. Andy noted Mahaska County is the fiscal agent for Safe Streets and Roads for All that updates, creates, implements a safety program plan for the 97 county membership.

1.Review and possible approval of 2024-2025 Bridge Inspection Services Contract was held. Inspections are on a two-year rotating cycle as follows: 2024 = 118 structures @ \$23,246 and 2025 = 35 structures @ \$12,145. Motion was made by Deke Wood to approve Calhoun-Burns & Associates contract for bridge inspection services as submitted. Mike Hadley seconded the motion. All ayes and motion carried. Andy noted inspections will be broken down further by element soon.

9:00 a.m. Review and possible acknowledgement of personnel report for the hire of Marcia Clubb, Homecare Aide, full-time, Public Health Department was held. Marcia was to begin work today at the rate of \$18.00 per hour. Motion was made by Mike Hadley to acknowledge the personnel report as submitted. Deke Wood seconded the motion. All ayes and motion carried.

9:20 a.m. – Various Board and Committee reports was held. Deke Wood participated in a RUSS meeting by phone. Mike Hadley attended a Semco meeting last week.

9:30 a.m.- Discussion of old/new business and public comment was held. A complaint was shared regarding the behavior of a Keokuk County Recycling Center employee when attempting to dispose of six bags of rural residential garbage. The county resident stated nowhere is it posted that no more than five bags of rural residential garbage per visit will be accepted and felt it was handled poorly. Board consensus was this matter will be investigated.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn was made by Mike Hadley. All ayes and the meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet Monday, October 30, 2023.

Michael C. Hadley, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

Daryl Wood

absent
Fred Snakenberg

Christy Bates