

**KEOKUK COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS  
DECEMBER 27, 2021**

The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors met in regular session, Monday, December 27, 2021 in the Board Room of the Courthouse. Present were: Michael C. Hadley, Fred Snakenberg, Daryl Wood and Christy Bates, County Auditor.

Wood moved, Snakenberg seconded to approve the agenda. All ayes and motion carried.

Snakenberg moved, Wood seconded to approve the minutes of December 20, 2021 as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Public Hearing regarding Keokuk County Voting Precinct Boundary Ordinance No. 50 was held. The boundary map and County Reapportioning Worksheets were distributed for review. The proposed number of precincts would be reduced from sixteen to twelve precincts (including absentee). Hadley moved, Snakenberg seconded to close the public hearing. All ayes and the public hearing closed at 8:37 a.m. No public was present, no oral or written objections were received.

Wood moved, Snakenberg seconded to approve the first reading and waive the second and third reading of Keokuk County Voting Precinct Boundary Ordinance No. 50 as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Snakenberg moved, Wood seconded to approve Certification of State of Iowa County Reapportioning Worksheet Precinct Population as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Hadley moved, Snakenberg seconded designation of The News-Review as Keokuk County Official County Newspaper for Calendar Year 2022 as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Wood moved, Snakenberg seconded approval of Quarterly Interfund Operating Transfer from Rural Services Funds (\$429,250), General Basic Funds (\$30,500) & LOST Fund (\$50,000) to Secondary Road Fund totaling \$509,750 as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Hadley moved, Wood seconded approval of resolution re-appointing Phil Buschmann, to Keokuk County Board of Health for a three-year term as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Snakenberg moved, Wood seconded approval of Dr. Cheryl Quinn as Medical Examiner; Dr. Jessica Webb as Associate ME; Jerlyn Bowers, Bonnie Clubb and Hoyt Gentry as Medical Investigators and Mark and Andrea Hagist as Reserve MIs appointments through December 31, 2022 as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Wood moved, Snakenberg seconded approval of the resolution re-appointing Jacque Striegel to the Keokuk County Civil Service Commission for a term of six years effective January 1, 2022 as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Snakenberg moved, Wood seconded approval of personnel report for Kelsey Pence, part-time Administrative Assistant, County Attorney's Office, with start date of January 5, 2022 @ \$15.00 per hour as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Wood moved, Snakenberg seconded approval of personnel report regarding resignation of Aaron Kephart, Deputy Sheriff, Sheriff's Department, as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Snakenberg moved, Wood seconded approval of resolution regarding County Sheriff's Deputy appointments as submitted: Adam Pence – (full time) Chief Deputy Sheriff; Shane E. Buchholz, Adam

Clark, Brycen William Dolan, Jeffrey Runnels – (full time) Deputy Sheriffs; Kirk Bailey, Todd Evans, Aaron Gould, Brandon Hamilton – (part-time) Deputy Sheriffs terms commencing January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024 and Aaron Kephart – Deputy Sheriff with a 10-day term commencing January 1, 2022 through January 10, 2022. All ayes and motion carried.

Wood moved, Snakenberg seconded approval of appointments to Various Boards and Committees as submitted, leaving Chairman (Hadley), Vice-Chair (Wood) and all representative and alternate appointments as currently established for Calendar Year 2022. All ayes and motion carried.

Keokuk County Compensation Board's Salary recommendations for Fiscal Year 2023 were: Attorney & Sheriff – 50%; Auditor, Recorder, Supervisors & Treasurer – 15%, with Auditor receiving a \$3500 stipend. Hadley moved, Wood seconded to cut the recommendations by half that equates to the following salary increases for FY2023: Attorney & Sheriff – 25%; Auditor, Recorder, Supervisors & Treasurer – 7½%, with the Auditor to receive a \$3500 stipend. All ayes and motion carried. Concern of future sustainability was shared, although the Board typically tries to stay around the cost of living, of which is 6% this year. All ayes and motion carried. Also present was County Attorney Thompson; Treasurer Edmundson Long and Assessor Sanders.

Various Board and Committee reports were held. Wood and Hadley attended the Compensation Board meeting. Snakenberg attended no meetings last week.

Discussion of old/new business and public comment was held. Christine Edmundson Long, Treasurer, inquired why Auditor Bates is receiving an increased stipend. Hadley and Wood stated it is for the additional responsibilities placed on her that is over and above duties that are not included in Code specific to her. Mentioned were additional Board secretary responsibility, grant record keeping, noting the two million American Relief Plan Act (ARPA) grant in particular, and custodial duties. Bates interjected that she did not ask for the additional stipend amount. Wood informed the stipend is a moving target and can be removed, whereas salary cannot, and a stipend is not tied to employee salaries. Treasurer Edmundson Long felt her job is important as well and informed she helps out to cover issues when the IT Director is gone, further inquiring whether she could request a stipend. Board consensus was for her to discuss with the Comp Board.

On vote and motion Hadley adjourned the meeting at 9:58 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](http://www.keokukcounty.iowa.gov).