

Auditor's Office
Jefferson, Iowa
January 6, 2020

Greene County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. in the courthouse boardroom with all supervisors present: Bardole, Burkett, Contner, Muir, Rudolph. Motion by Contner, second by Bardole to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Burkett, second by Bardole to approve the minutes of January 2, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Chuck Wenthold reported that the Construction Evaluation Resolution (for master matrix use) has been filed with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. County attorney Thomas Laehn reviewed ahead of time, portions of the Resolution soliciting Sculptures, should Laehn be unavailable when the item is scheduled for consideration. Laehn also noted areas to specifically clarify on the proposed vicious animal ordinance also to be considered. At this time Linn Cipperley-Price a local volunteer for an animal protection charity, addressed the board with some of her suggestions and questions about the proposed ordinance.

Chair John Muir congratulated Joe Brant on his retirement from the Secondary Roads departments. Motion by Burkett, second by Contner to approve Resolution2020-02:

BE IT RESOLVED that Greene County sincerely appreciates Joe Brant's 23 years, 2 months and 26 days of service maintaining the secondary road system. His attention to detail in all aspects of his job and particularly with the construction and maintenance of publicly owned facilities is commendable.

Aye: Bardole, Burkett, Contner, Muir, Rudolph. Resolution unanimously approved.

Sheriff Jack Williams reviewed the sheriff budget proposal for FY21, noting that the overall budget is up approximately \$64,000 over the current nearly \$1.5M combined sheriff budgets from General, Rural, Forfeiture, K9 and LOSST funds. This budget proposal includes two new vehicle purchases as does the current year budget. Wages and benefits reflect the negotiated increases for deputies, dispatchers and jailers. Williams also shared revenue/receipt estimates of nearly \$238,000 for FY21, with over half of the revenues being contract law enforcement payments from the cities. No action was taken.

Chuck Wenthold reviewed his environmental health budget proposal for FY21. Wenthold kept well closings and water testing costs relatively the same within the budget and included a 3% wage increase over the current year figure. Overall expenditures were reported at just under \$75,000, up just under \$1,000 for FY21. Water testing and well closing costs are covered under a grant to counties that Wenthold estimated to be about \$31,000 for the next fiscal year. No action was taken.

The board next reviewed and heard comments for the first reading of the proposed Dangerous and Vicious Animals Ordinance. With assistance of county attorney Laehn, the board adjusted/clarified language under the "vicious" animal section (2.10), deleted section 3.3 about warning signs, and adjusted section 9 Penalties. Motion by Bardole, second by Burkett to approve the first reading of the Dangerous and Vicious Animals Ordinance. Aye: Bardole, Burkett, Contner, Muir, Rudolph. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Rudolph, second by Bardole to approve Resolution 2020-03:

A RESOLUTION SOLICITING SCULPTURES IN CELEBRATION OF THE MAHANAY CARILLON TOWER

WHEREAS the Mahanay Carillon Tower was erected to the glory of God and as a gift to the people of Greene County by Floyd and Dora Mahanay on October 16, 1966;

WHEREAS the Mahanay Carillon Tower attracts numerous visitors to the Greene County Courthouse grounds;

WHEREAS the Mahanay Carillon Tower has become a symbol of Greene County and a source of pride for its residents;

WHEREAS public art provokes thought, fosters dialogue, and promotes insight and understanding, thereby encouraging the civic virtues upon which republican government depends;

WHEREAS public art promotes tourism and economic growth; and

WHEREAS Greene County's Public Art Policy contains procedures for the placement of works of art on the Courthouse grounds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR GREENE COUNTY, IOWA:

Section 1: That each year beginning in 2020, Jefferson Matters: Main Street select no more than four sculptures through a juried contest for placement on the Courthouse grounds.

Section 2: That upon approval by the Board of Supervisors as herein provided, no more than three of the sculptures selected be displayed on the Courthouse grounds from May 1 through November 1, and no more than one of the sculptures selected be displayed from May 1 through April 30 of the following year.

Section 3: That said sculptures fit within a 4' x 4' square and be secured to a pad provided by Jefferson Matters: Main Street.

Section 4: That each artist whose work is selected be required to indemnify and hold harmless Greene County and its officers, employees, and agents from any claims, damages, injuries, or losses caused while his or her work is on display on the Courthouse grounds.

Section 5: That said sculptures, when viewed either separately or in combination, convey a message of pride in the Mahanay Carillon Tower and gratitude to Floyd and Dora Mahanay for their gift to the people of Greene County.

Section 6: That the Greene County Board of Supervisors at all times retains editorial control over the sculptures selected by Jefferson Matters: Main Street and may choose not to display any sculpture that does not convey the Board's intended message.

Section 7: That any sculpture selected by Jefferson Matters: Main Street pursuant to this Resolution must be approved by the Greene County Board of Supervisors prior to its placement on the Courthouse grounds by a separate resolution expressly affirming that it conveys the Board's intended message.

Aye: Bardole, Burkett, Muir, Rudolph. Nay: Contner. Passed and approved this 6th day of January 2020.

Motion by Contner, second by Rudolph to accept the Recorder's Report of Fees for December. Motion carried unanimously.

Representatives of the Greene County Librarian Association met with the supervisors to share photos of events, present information about the past year, and request funding for FY21. Wendy Johnson,

President of the Library Association, shared Greene County Libraries information “by the numbers” for various categories that included library patrons, library collections and total circulation. Reports were heard from librarians Teri Clark and Jane Millard (Jefferson), Marilyn Tilley and Shari Minnehan (Churdan), Diane Kafer (Grand Junction) and from library directors (Paton and Rippey). The FY21 budget request presented asks for cooperative funding of \$9,150, same as current year cooperative funding. Current year individual library funding totals \$78,100 through the rural levy on behalf of rural county residents. The group requested an increase of \$3,500 to that allocation for a total of \$81,600. That request includes adjusting the maximum percentage an individual library can receive in the library funding formula used by the county. No action was taken.

Chair Muir adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

ATTEST: _____

John J. Muir, Chair

Jane Heun, Auditor