The Winnebago County Board of Supervisors met in session at 9:00 A.M. February 23, 2021 adjourned from February 16, 2021.

Present: Supervisors Smith, Jensvold and Durby

Absent:

The meeting is held today via You Tube and a conference call. This is due to COVID-19 and heightened public health risks.

On a motion by Jensvold and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the minutes for the February 16, 2021 Board Meeting and approve the agenda for February 23, 2021. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Jaci Miller, Veterans Affairs discussed the updated policies and procedures for the Veterans Affairs office. On a motion by Durby and seconded by Jensvold the Supervisors moved to approve the policies and procedures for the Veterans Affairs office. All voted aye. Motion carried.


John Oftedahl, landowner in DD 6 Lat 1 discussed extending tile and eliminating a portion of the open ditch. This project will be paid entirely by Oftedahl. He has hired an engineer. There will be a public hearing to inform landowners in the district once the engineer has a report.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Jensvold the Supervisors moved to open the Public Hearing for Master Matrix for Newton 28 Site. All voted aye. Motion carried. Present at the hearing were Supervisors Durby, Jensvold and Smith, Karla Weiss, County Auditor, Matt Duve, Zoning Administrator, Scott Meinders, Engineer, Mitch Baum, Cubby Christensen and Kent Krause by phone. There was discussion regarding the project. On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to close the Public Hearing. On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the Master Matrix for Newton 28 Site. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Matt Duve, Zoning Administrator discussed wind turbine special exception permits. There are no permits issued at this point. The only communication he has received is from people opposed to the wind turbine project. Supervisor Smith discussed setbacks, lights and sound limits.
Mark Crowl, Invenergy presented information regarding the Worthwhile Wind project in Worth and Winnebago Counties.

Scott Meinders, Engineer discussed Secondary Road matters including an auction scheduled for May 13, 2021. Meinders went through the property insurance for equipment, and the board discussed snow removal.

Kris Oswald, Drainage Clerk discussed drainage district matters including Secondary Road reclass fixes for 8 drainage districts. The classifications are not in line with how much land is maintained. Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard will check on these and report back to the Supervisors. Hopper has been in contact with a landowner in DD 5 regarding annexing a private ditch into the district. The new Lateral will be named DD 5 Lat 43. A report will be given soon before a hearing can be set up with landowners affected. DD11 Main Tile project is continuing. The contractor will be doing the last road crossing this week.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the Annexation report for DD 11 and set Public Hearing date for April 6, 2021 at 9:15 A.M. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Jensvold the Supervisors moved to approve the Pre-Classification report for DD 11 and set Public Hearing date for April 6, 2021 at 9:20 A.M. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the Post-Classification report for DD 11 and set Public Hearing date for April 6, 2021 at 9:30 A.M. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Jensvold and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the following Auditor’s transfer: #3822 from Health Benefits Fund to Secondary Roads for $134.82. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to appoint JoAnna Thompson and Marsha Casler to the Eminent Domain Commission. All voted aye. Motion carried.

John Torbert, IDDA discussed annual update and legislation.

Gary Anderson, SA Architects discussed the bid letting timeline and bid specs for the Courthouse Re-roof project. On a motion by Smith and seconded by Jensvold the Supervisors moved to approve the bid timeline and specs for the Courthouse Re-roof project. All voted aye. Motion carried.
On a motion by Smith and seconded by Durby the Supervisors moved to set the Public Hearing for the Re-roof project on March 16, 2021 at 9:30 A.M. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to correct the date of the Max Levy Public Hearing from March 2 to March 9, 2021. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The following Manure Management plan was received by the Auditor’s office: #71475 Grant 27 Site, Winnebago County, Iowa.

The session was adjourned until 9:00 A.M. March 2, 2021.

Attest: _________________________
Karla Weiss, County Auditor

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Terry Durby, Chairperson