

April 22, 2024

The Board of Supervisors of Lucas County, Iowa met for a Public Hearing and Special Board Meeting at 9:30 A.M. at the Courthouse on April 22, 2024, with the following members present Larry Davis, Cathy Reece, and Dennis Smith. Also present were Lucas County Recorder Rebecca Bittner, Lucas County Assessor Alyson Palmer, Public Health Director Mary Grismore, Al Rich, Lucas County Conservation Director Skylar Hobbs, Lucas County Treasurer Hanna Gwinn, Lucas County Engineer Todde Folkerts and Lucas County Auditor Julie Masters. Chairperson Smith called the meeting to order, and a motion was made by Davis and seconded by Reece to waive the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and approve as written. All voted aye. Motion carried. A motion was made by Reece and seconded by Davis to call the Public Hearing to order. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Smith called the public hearing to order and asked for discussion, questions, or comments on the FY 2025 Lucas County Budget. There were no questions or comments. A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Reece to close the public hearing. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Smith closed the public hearing and went back to the board meeting at which time, a motion was made by Reece and seconded by Davis to approve Resolution FY24-3, a resolution adopting the annual budget for the fiscal year 2025 beginning on July 1, 2024. Publication of the budget was in the Chariton newspapers Inc. on April 12, 2024, and on the website at lucascounty.iowa.gov. All voted aye. Motion carried. A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Smith to approve the salary resolution FY24-04 for elected officials as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Lucas County Compensation Board meets annually to recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Chapters 331.905 and 331.907, and

WHEREAS the Lucas County Compensation Board met on January 4, 2024, at 5:35 p.m.

WHEREAS A motion was made by Sheila Laing and seconded by Donise Altenhofen to submit the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Current Salary</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>	<u>Recommended Salary</u>
County Attorney	\$70,479.00	7.0% + \$10,000.00	\$86,113.00
Auditor	\$59,850.00	7.0% + \$10,000.00	\$74,740.00
Recorder	\$59,850.00	7.0% + \$10,000.00	\$74,740.00
Treasurer	\$59,850.00	7.0% + \$10,000.00	\$74,740.00
Sheriff	\$90,594.00	7.0%	\$96,936.00
Supervisors	\$31,319.00	7.0%	\$33,511.00

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that after consideration of each motion that the Lucas County Board of Supervisors approves the following salary adjustments for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Current Salary</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>	<u>Recommended Salary</u>
County Attorney	\$70,479.00	3.2% + \$2,000.00	\$74,798.00
Auditor	\$59,850.00	3.2% + \$2,000.00	\$63,829.00
Recorder	\$59,850.00	3.2% + \$2,000.00	\$63,829.00
Treasurer	\$59,850.00	3.2% + \$2,000.00	\$63,829.00
Sheriff	\$90,594.00	3.2%	\$93,493.00
Supervisors	\$31,319.00	3.2%	\$32,322.00

Approved this 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of April 2024

Dennis Smith  
Dennis Smith Chairperson

Julie L. Masters  
Julie L. Masters, Auditor

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NAY:

Larry Davis, Supervisor  
Cathy Reece, Supervisor  
Dennis Smith, Supervisor

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All voted Aye, Motion carried.

Under other county business a motion was made by Reece and seconded by Davis that the Lucas County Board of Supervisors approve the 2025 Secondary Roads budget and Five (5) year plan. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Davis addressed a rumor circulating in Lucas County that the purchase of radios for E911 are costing the county 1.5 million dollars. This is not true. The cost of the radios for Lucas County is \$400,000- \$200,000.00 down

payment and \$40,000.00 per year for the next five years. The Radios are being paid in full by E911 surcharge funds and not from property tax dollars. Supervisor Reece also addressed the rumor that the purchase of the radios for E911 is the reason the Sheriff was denied a fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) deputy. The fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) deputy was denied due to mandated budget constraints and would be funded from the General basic or Rural basic fund and cannot be paid by E911 money. If you have any questions, please contact the Board of Supervisors at 641-774-2018 and they will answer them.

As there was no other county business a motion was made by Davis and seconded by Reece to adjourn to meet sine die. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

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Dennis Smith, Chairman

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Julie L Masters, Auditor