

Minutes of the **Joint Meeting** of the Johnson County Board of Supervisors, City of Iowa City, City of Coralville, City of North Liberty, City of Tiffin, City of Hills, City of Swisher, City of University Heights, Iowa City Community School District Board, and Clear Creek Amana School District on Monday, January 22, 2018 at City Hall in Coralville; Council Chambers at 4:30 pm.

Mayor Pro-tem Mitch Gross welcomed everyone and they introduced themselves.

Johnson County Board of Supervisors present: Carberry, Friese, Green-Douglas, Sullivan

Iowa City Council present: Cole, Mims, Taylor, Thomas

Coralville Council present: Mayor Pro-tem Gross, Dodds, Goodrich

North Liberty Council present: Mayor Donahue

University Heights Council present: None

Hills Council present: Mayor Kemp

Solon: Mayor Stange

Swisher Council present: None

Iowa City Community School District Board: Eyestone, Godwin, Roetlin

Staff members from the school districts and local governments were in attendance along with members of the public.

Johnson County Supervisor Green-Douglas gave an update on the Crisis Intervention Team/Training and Facilities. She explained Johnson County has a property under consideration and money budgeted for an Access Center. Green-Douglas asked communities and governmental agencies to let the County know how much they are willing to contribute to the facility and operations of the Crisis Intervention Team to help them budget for the program. Iowa City Councilperson Mims reported Johnson County and Iowa City are close to bringing this program to fruition. They have researched the program, visited an Access Center in San Antonio, had authorities trained in crisis intervention in San Antonio, conducted three training sessions in Johnson County and provided crisis intervention training to 190 local law enforcement officers. Iowa City has budgeted capital costs for an Access Center. They are working on 28E Agreements with the University of Iowa to manage the facility and provide services, and other communities to provide capital and operational funding. The Access Center will house the crisis outreach team who can connect people in crisis to outside services and programs and provide follow up to help keep them out of crisis, emergency rooms and jails. Mims noted it is important to keep the words "access center" in the facility name and not to use the word "crisis" to clarify the facility's function.

Iowa City Manager Geoff Fruin reported the Iowa City Council has discussed budgeting money to conduct an Hours of Operation Analysis for their transit system in order to look at how they run their routes and their hours of operation. Fruin invited other transit

systems to join Iowa City in the study and let them know as they try to define the scope of the 12 months study this February and March with hopes of starting it by July. Iowa City Councilperson Mims encouraged other transit systems in Johnson County to join in order to make the study better and develop a more coordinated system across the region. Johnson County Supervisor Carberry noted the County has a vest interest because of SEATS and he is on the Community Transportation Committee which is interested in providing transportation to people working 2nd and 3rd shifts, and Sundays.

Iowa City Councilperson Taylor reported and read the University of Iowa/Iowa City Joint Declaration for a Theme Semester. The theme is "Climate of Change" and fits well with Iowa City's conversations and strategic plans for sustainability and environmental consciousness. The four goals of this program are to promote attention to the theme as a crucial field of study across all the University colleges; building relationships among groups and individuals; engaging Iowans in a semester long conversation on the topic; and securing initiatives from the semester to benefit future generations. The University already has 16 activities planned with some highlighting the river.

Iowa City Manager Geoff Fruin reported Iowa City Councilperson Botchway request the topic of "Ideas for potential regional initiatives", but was not able to attend the meeting. They hope to discuss the topic at a future Joint Meeting.

Coralville Mayor Pro-tem Mitch Gross introduced Coralville Director of Parks & Recreation Sherri Proud who proceeded to give a presentation on the new Coralville Cross Course ("Creekside Cross") and off-road trail systems. The Creekside Cross is an adjustable two to three-mile cyclocross course near the Creekside Ball Park. Proud discussed the partnerships and development of the course. The course is not just for cyclocross but also running, cross country skiing, snowshoeing and hiking. The course is open from July till the spring thaw. The Woodpecker Single Track Trail is a three-mile course six to twelve inches wide and provides challenging off-road biking. It is mostly a green course with a shorter more challenging blue track area. Proud noted they will add another two miles to the trail this coming season. Johnson County Supervisor Carberry asked about the connection of the Clear Creek Trail to the Tiffin trail system. Proud responded the Clear Creek Trail Phases 5 & 6 will be 1.2 miles and include seven underpasses and two Clear Creek bridges to get past I-80 and I-380 to Tiffin. After the bids are accepted and contract approved in February it will take 16 to 18 months to complete.

For new business, Johnson County Supervisor Sullivan asked if the school district could give an update on their planning and construction projects at the next meeting. Citizen Bob Welch asked officials in attendance to remember the importance of providing accessible and affordable housing. Johnson County Supervisor Carberry invited everyone to attend a forum titled "Senior Housing Affordable and Accessible?" February 12th at 2:00 pm at the Coralville Public Library hosted by the Johnson County Task Force on Aging. The Iowa City School District will host the next Joint Meeting on April 16th with the reception at 4:00 pm and the meeting starting at 4:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Mitch Gross, Coralville Mayor Pro-tem

Thorsten J. Johnson, Coralville City Clerk