

BOARD PROCEEDINGS
July 23, 2019
REGULAR JULY SESSION

The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment. Present were: Jack Plathe, Chairman, Galen Casey, Donnie Loss, Roger Tjarks and Kyle Stecker.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Loss to approve the agenda and the minutes of the previous meeting dated July 16, 2019 and the handwritten claims payable to Card Services in the amount of \$803.31, \$32.66, \$100.85 and \$1024.29. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: Absent, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Kyle Stecker arrived at the meeting.

Discussion was held with the Kossuth County Engineer, Doug Miller in regards to the Wind Energy Conversion System Permit Application of Kossuth Wind Energy LLC.

The decision to set the date and time for the public hearing for Kossuth Wind Energy LLC Wind Energy Conversion System will be moved to the agenda next week.

Discussion was held with Kossuth County Engineer/Kossuth County Zoning Administrator.

Public discussion was held was held with those attending the discussion in regards to the Wind Energy Conversion System Permit Application of Kossuth Wind Energy LLC.

Kossuth County Local Letting
MSC-1-19 thru MSC-6-19
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Estimate \$484,181.50

Bids were received from Asphalt Surface Technologies Corporation a/k/a ASTECH Corp in the amount of \$445,890.00 and from Blacktop Service Co. & Subsidiary in the amount of \$470,160.00.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Casey to approve the Treasurer's Annual Report for FY 18-19. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Tjarks to recommend to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources the approval by Resolution #07-23-19-01 of the construction permit application for KSC Enterprises LLC #4 Site in the SW ¼ SW ¼ Section 5 of Lotts Creek Township due to them meeting the requirements on the Master Matrix scoring system per Blaine Struthers and to have Amber Garman send notice to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors adopted recommendation. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Recommendation to Iowa DNR to Approve the Application Permit for Construction of an Confinement Feeding Operation
Resolution # 07-23-19-01

WHEREAS, the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors has adopted the Master Matrix for the purpose of scoring construction applications to provide an opportunity for local input and

WHEREAS, The Master Matrix Delegate, Blaine Struthers has informed the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors that he scored this matrix identically to the applicant and this site has met the requirements of the Master Matrix. His score is based on the Master Matrix filed in the Kossuth County Auditor's Office on June 20, 2019.

WHEREAS, the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors has **approved** the Master Matrix submitted on July 16, 2019. The score of this facility is 455 points.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors hereby recommends to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources **approval** of the construction permit application for KSC Enterprises LLC #4 Site in the SW ¼ SW ¼ of Section 5 of Lotts Creek Township.

Public Comments: NO

Passed and Approved this 23rd day of July, 2019.

Chairman, Jack Plathe
Kossuth County Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Amber Garman, Auditor
Kossuth County

The Board of Supervisors acknowledged the Safety Committee Meeting Minutes.

The Board of Supervisors acknowledged the Wellness Committee Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to approve the quarterly reports for the Auditor, Recorder, Sheriff and Veteran Affairs. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held with Daniel Green, Veteran Affairs Director.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker that the Board of Supervisors of Kossuth County, Iowa, does hereby authorize and give its permission to Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative, Estherville, IA, to: Install overhead electric along the north right of way of 370th Street beginning approximately 255 feet east of 170th Avenue and thence west approximately 3900 feet. Work will be in Sections 14 and 15, Ramsey Township. Permit number 07-30-2019 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Tjarks that the Board of Supervisors of Kossuth County, Iowa, does hereby authorize and give its permission to Lone Rock Cooperative Telephone Company, Lone Rock, IA, to bury fiber optic cable in the right of way. Work includes plowing the traveled portion of gravel roads, shoulder of paved roads, boring all intersecting roads and drainage structures:

Work will be completed within the following right of way of:

Seneca Township:

-380th St between 40th Ave and 70th Ave
-375th St between 40th Ave and 50th Ave
-370th St between 30th Ave and 70th Ave
-360th St between 40th Ave and 50th Ave
-350th St between 50th Ave and 70th Ave
-40th Ave between 390th St and 380th St
-40th Ave between 370th St and 340th St
-50th Ave between 375th St and 370th St
-50th Ave between 360th St and 340th St
-60th Ave between 380th St and 340th St

Greenwood Township:

-370th St between 70th Ave and 80th Ave
-350th St between 70th Ave and 80th Ave
-70th Ave between 360th St and 340th St
-80th Ave between 380th St and 370th St
-80th Ave between 360th St and 340th St

Fenton Township:

-340th St between 60th Ave and 70th Ave
-330th St between 40th Ave and 70th Ave
-320th St between 50th Ave and 60th Ave
-310th St between 40th Ave and 70th Ave
-300th St between 60th Ave and 70th Ave

-290th St between 30th Ave and 70th Ave
-40th Ave between 330th St and 320th St
-50th Ave between 340th St and 280th St
-60th Ave between 340th St and 320th St
-60th Ave between 290th St and 280th St

Burt Township:

-340th St between 70th Ave and 90th Ave
-330th St between 70th Ave and 90th Ave
-320th St between 80th Ave and 100th Ave
-310th St between 70th Ave and 80th Ave
-310th St between 90th Ave and 100th Ave
-300th St between 70th Ave and 90th Ave
-290th St between 70th Ave and 90th Ave
-70th Ave between 340th St and 300th St
-80th Ave between 330th St and 280th St
-90th Ave between 340th St and 300th St
-100th Ave between 320th St and 310th St

Lotts Creek Township:

-280th St between 30th Ave and 70th Ave
-270th St between 20th Ave and 70th Ave
-260th St between 30th Ave and 70th Ave
-250th St between 40th Ave and 70th Ave
-240th St between 40th Ave and 50th Ave
-50th Ave between 280th St and 240th St
-60th Ave between 280th St and 270th St
-60th Ave between 260th St and 240th St

Union Township:

-280th St between 70th Ave and 80th Ave
-270th St between 70th Ave and 80th Ave
-260th St between 70th Ave and 80th Ave
-70th Ave between 270th St and 260th St
-80th Ave between 280th St and 260th St

Work will be in Sections 9-16, 21-27, and 33-36 of Seneca Township; Sections 18-19 and 29-32 of Greenwood Township; Sections 1-3, 10-15, 22-28, and 33-36 of Fenton Township; Sections 4-8, 16-20, and 29-32 of Burt Township; Sections 1-5, 9-15, and 22-24 of Lotts Creek Township; and Sections 5-8, 18 of Union Township. Permit number 07-31-2019 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office, see map attached to permit for installation details. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Public Discussion was held followed by Drainage.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Casey to have the Supervisors handle their requests for drainage as follows: Supervisor Casey: 1 request (#129); Supervisor Stecker: 1 request (#130); and Supervisor Tjarks: 1 request (#131). Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Plathe to approve the applications for Exemption from buffer strip ban in Drainage District Facilities. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to acknowledge the report as presented by Bolton & Menk for Drainage District 96. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to acknowledge the report as presented by Bolton & Menk for Drainage District 18 and to hold it on file for later use if needed. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Casey and 2nd by Tjarks to authorize the Wellness Committee to proceed with the Healthiest You Program and offer 1 day of vacation to full-time employees and 1 half day vacation to part-time employees as a reward if they meet all requirements of the program. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Casey and 2nd by Tjarks to authorize the Wellness Committee to proceed with the Healthy Days Program and offer 1 day of vacation to full-time employees each quarter for a total of 4 days per year and 1 half day of vacation to part-time employees per quarter for a total of 2 days per year as a reward if they meet all requirements of the program. Supervisors stated they want the Department Heads to receive the paperwork so that they can appropriately figure their vacation time when they receive it. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to approve the waiver of consultation of annexation and zoning designation of real estate to the City of Bancroft, Iowa and authorize Chairman Plathe to sign the waiver. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Stecker to approve the Email Server Migration (Office 365) as presented by Derek Olson, Network Administrator at a cost of \$12,015 and an annual cost of \$7748.40 and to authorize Derek Olson to charge the appropriate Departments for their portion. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Tjarks to approve the Solutions Server Upgrade as presented by Derek Olson, Network Administrator at a one time cost of \$25,306.49 or less. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held in regards to the need for office space for our IT Department. The Department now has 2 employees and their office houses the server which is noisy and also is their storage area. They have run out of room and would like to get a bigger office space and leave the room with the server to function as storage. The Board agreed that there was a need.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Stecker to go into closed session per Iowa Code 21.5 (1) (c) to have discussion with the County Attorney regarding arbitration with County Social Services. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

No decision was made following closed session.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to award the contract for the following project let July 23, 2019; MSC-1-19 thru MSC-6-19 to Asphalt Surface Technologies Corporation a/k/a ASTECH Corp. of St. Cloud, MN for \$445,890.00 and further to approve and authorize the chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the contract and bond when the appropriate contract documents are returned to the Kossuth County Engineer. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Discussion with Kossuth County Auditor was held followed by Board Discussion and Committee Reports.

On motion adjournment was taken until July 30, 2019.

Attest:

Amber Garman
Kossuth County Auditor

Jack Plathe, Chairman
Kossuth County Board of Supervisors