

BOARD PROCEEDINGS
August 25, 2020
REGULAR AUGUST SESSION

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

Chairman Plathe called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public discussion was held and the Board of Supervisors reviewed the handwritten claims.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to approve the agenda, the minutes from the previous meeting dated August 18, 2020 and the handwritten claims payable to Card Services in the amount of \$382.41 for Emergency Management, Card Services in the amount of \$378.42 for EMS and Card Services in the amount of \$1347.50 for the Sheriff's Department. The Board of Supervisors wanted it noted in the motion that two employees were called who used the County Credit Card for personal use and even though those amounts were reimbursed the credit cards will be taken away if it happens again. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held with the Kossuth County Weed Commissioner and a landowner regarding noxious weeds eradication for the landowners fields.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Casey 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.

Teleconference with Palo Alto County Supervisors:

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Wirtz to send bill to Clint Sires – and send a letter to landowners that were assessed improperly for repair work costs in Palo Alto County for JDD Tri 84 Lat 37E that was approved by the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors on August 8, 2019 that they do not have to pay the assessment and/or if they did pay the assessment they will be reimbursed. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried unanimous with both Palo Alto County and Kossuth County.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Loss to have the Supervisors handle their requests for drainage as follows: Supervisor Casey: 2 requests (#97 Drain HK 25-176 and #98 Drain HK 25-176), Supervisor Stecker: 2 requests (#96 Drain 65 and #99 Drain 83) and Supervisor Tjarks: (#100 Drain 80). 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 Casey to approve Joint Drainage District PAK 1 Open Ditch Repair Project Pay Request 4 in the amount of \$38,269.44 payable to Cory Juergens Construction. 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 Casey to approve of the tax abatement for Kossuth County Land Acquisition on Parcel #24-30-100-009. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Loss to approve of reinstating the Homestead to Parcel #18-32-100-005 due to the appeal received. 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 Loss to accept the Kossuth County Official Report of County Highway Engineer for Fiscal Year 2020. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

No decision was made in regards to the Approval of Kossuth Waste Management Association Equipment Purchase.

There were no Construction within the ROW to approve.

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

Phone Conference with Bert Dalmer
RE: Drainage Repair Requests Wording on Weekly Agenda

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to put on the weekly agenda the request number and drainage district for all drainage repair requests received prior to the meeting packet being sent to the Board of Supervisors. Any drainage repair requests received after that will be added to the following week's agenda. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

Dona Nielsen, Kossuth County General Assistance Administrator was present to give a monthly report for her Department.

Supervisor Loss left the meeting to attend the NW Iowa Care Connections meeting.

Discussion with Phil Albers, Kossuth County EMS will be moved to next week.

The Board of Supervisors acknowledged the wellness committee meeting minutes from Wednesday, August 19th, 2020.

Discussion with the Kossuth County Auditor was held.

Board Discussion and Committee Reports were held. Jack Plathe, Chairman asked that the Auditor add the following statement to the official minutes: The 2 County Credit Cards that were turned over to the Supervisors earlier in the meeting would be turned back over to that Department Head by Jack Plathe and Roger Tjarks following the meeting. It is up to that Department Head to handle the situation as the cards were opened in that Department.

On motion adjournment was taken at 12:29 until Tuesday, September 1, 2020.

Attest:

Amber Garman
Kossuth County Auditor

Jack Plathe, Chairman
Kossuth County Board of Supervisors