

BOARD PROCEEDINGS
January 4, 2021
REGULAR January SESSION

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

Chairman, Jack Plathe called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.

Public discussion was held. The Board of Supervisors reviewed the claims.

The Board of Supervisors recognized the retirement of Secondary Road Employee, Fay Preston.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Casey to approve the agenda, the minutes of the previous meeting dated December 22, 2020 and the claims. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes to minutes, no to claims, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

AMU	Srvs	1944.07	13
Allied 100,LLC	Supp	139.20	2
AU Life Ins	Exp	77.50	1
Animal Rescue Family	Donation	383.50	1
ATLAS STAMP & SEAL	Exp	27.35	1
Fidelity Sec Lif Ins	Ins	149.27	1
Bancroft Reg.	Notices	91.65	2
Carole Bernhard	Exp	55.20	1
BMC Aggregates	Rock	8505.41	1
Bomgaars	Supp	812.21	3
Bremer Co Shf	Srvs	50.05	1
Brick Gentry PC	Srvs	1540.00	1
Brown's Shoe Fit Co	Supp	73.34	1
Burr Oak Motel	Lodging	102.00	1
Calhoun-Burns & Associates, In	Engineer Supp	1359.40	1
Central IA Dist	Supp	77.00	1
Central IA Juv	Supp	1215.00	1
Central IA Water	Srvs	250.00	1
Centurylink	Phone	969.65	2
R Cherland	Exp	3000.00	1
Cintas	Supplies	406.05	1
City Dir.	Supp	195.00	1
City of Fenton	Utilities	90.53	1
City of Lakota	Exp	90.85	1
City of LuVerne	Exp	90.00	1
City of Wesley	Cons	62.13	1
City of West Bend	Utilities	324.96	1
Cooks Scrap Iron & Metal	Supp	49.35	1
Counsel Ofs & Doc	Supp	373.06	5
Counsel Ofs & Doc	Suppl	74.49	1
Dept of Adminis Srvs	Srvs	25.00	1
EBEM LLC	Exp	6866.67	1
Ecolab	Srvs	202.95	1
Erpelding Excav	Exp	16372.40	1
Fenton Coop Telephone	Srvs	27.50	1
Fleetsoft	Exp	919.00	1
Fort Dodge Asphalt	Srvs	118004.38	1
GreatAmerica Financial Srvs	Srvs	351.92	3
K Groesbeck	Exp	34.50	1
Hancock Concrete Prod	Pipe	2871.86	1
Hancock Co Shf	Srvs	44.95	1
Hudson L law Firm	Srvs	372.50	1
Hy-Vee	Srvs	65.00	1
Insight Public Sector, Inc.	Supp	223.27	1
IA Assoc of MU	Service	1710.24	1
Iowa Individual Health Benefit	Servs	2204.00	1
IA Law Enforcement Academy	Srvs	250.00	1
IA Prison Ind	Signs	8257.60	1
ISAC	Reg	150.00	1
ISSDA	Reg	25.00	1
ITsavvy LLC	Supp	69.00	1

Jacks OK Tire Srv	Srvs	215.80	1
JCL Solutions	Supp	408.80	1
John Deere Financial	Parts	13544.49	1
Johnston Autostores	Parts	23.34	1
Kollasch Backhoe	Serv	380.17	1
Koss Co Cancer Foundation	Reimb	383.50	1
KCEDC	Allocation	62500.00	1
KC Sheriff	Srvs	46.00	1
Koss Co	Exp	25000.00	1
KC Treas	Srvs	185.80	1
B Kramer	Exp	150.00	1
Mail Serv	Supp	524.34	1
Main Street Specialties, LLC	Servs	304.14	1
Martin Marietta Agg	Rock	5566.20	1
Mid Americ Publish	Srvs	41.89	1
Mid Am Energy	Srvs	1231.02	4
Midland Power Coop	Utilities	392.40	1
A Miller	Exp	15.00	1
Mocic	Exp	100.00	1
Mohawk Lifts LLC	Engineer Supp	45812.58	1
MSC Industrial Supply Co	Supplies	948.71	1
NASSCO	Supp	318.23	2
Nates Auto and Truck Repair	Engineer Supp	266.06	1
National Pub Employer Labor	Dues	215.00	1
D Nielsen	Exp	318.55	1
NIA Lumber&Design	Exp	91.25	3
NW Comm	Service	109.47	1
Oakcrest	Srvs	2200.00	1
IOS	Supp	666.36	5
James Olson	Servs	900.00	1
Payroll Forms	Exp	42.95	1
Polk Co Sherriff's Ofs	Srvs	122.30	2
Prairie Energy Coop	Lights	28.00	1
Quill Corp	Supp	113.70	1
RailPros	Engineer Supp	1130.00	1
RAW Customs and Line-X	Engineer Supp	1400.00	1
Reding's Gravel & Excav	Srvs	215871.80	1
Rockmount Research/Alloys dba:	Engineer Supp	967.47	1
Roethler Elec.	Srvs	2322.50	1
N Roethler	Exp	15.00	1
B Runneberg	Exp	55.62	1
Sec St Bank	Srvs	25.00	1
R Sewick	Supp	18.26	1
Sioux Sales Co	Supp	104.00	1
Society of LS	Dues	190.00	1
Solutions	Srvs	152.27	2
Sparta Police Department	Exp	8.70	1
Stearns County Sheriff	Servs	50.00	1
SC Herald Press	Notices	16.61	1
The Messenger	Notices	95.00	1
Z Thompson	Exp	15.00	1
Titonka Munc Utilities	Srvs	287.16	1
L Torine	Exp	175.00	1
US Bank	Exp	60.00	1
US Cellular	Srvs	61.43	1
Verizon Wireless	Servs	39.99	1
Watch Guard Video	Supp	339.00	1
Grand Total		568191.82	

Drainage Claims

Algona Publishing	Drain WK 68-136	\$104.21
Algona Publishing	Drain 60 Sub 1	\$120.36
Bolton & Menk	Drain 65	\$4520.00
Bolton & Menk	Drain 80	\$1050.00
Bolton & Menk	Drain PAK 1	\$11765.00
Bolton & Menk	Drain PAK 1	\$13640.00
Bolton & Menk	Drain 4 Lat 28	\$3047.50

Bolton & Menk	Drain 4	\$8877.50
Bolton & Menk	Drain 9	\$380.00
Hudson Law Firm	Drain 75	\$280.00
I & S Group	Drain 75 Lat 4	\$327.53
I & S Group	Drain 75 Lat 4	\$506.00
I & S Group	Drain 75 Lat 5	\$966.00
I & S Group	Drain 75	\$10739.65
Jacobson Westergard	Drain 82	\$4620.00
McClure Engineering	Drain 60 Sub 1	\$386.25
McClure Engineering	Drain 129	\$252.50
Cory Juergens Construction	Drain PAK 1	\$127443.29
James Ludwig	Drain HK 25-176	\$150.00
Erpelding Excavating Ent	Drain 51	\$22900.40
Blair Drainage & Excav	Drain TRI 84	\$1909.60
Zachary Laubenthal Excav	Drain 4	\$13430.00
Zachary Laubenthal Excav	Drain 4 Lat 11T	\$435.82
Zachary Laubenthal Excav	Drain 108	\$2675.50
Zachary Laubenthal Excav	Drain 72	\$1696.00
Zachary Laubenthal Excav	Drain 83	\$3394.50
Zachary Laubenthal Excav	Drain PAK 1	\$3740.00
Reutzel Excavating	Drain 78	\$7030.50
Reutzel Excavating	Drain 78	\$6911.00
Reutzel Excavating	Drain HK 2-36	\$7496.50
Reutzel Excavating	Drain HK 2-36	\$23319.00
Reutzel Excavating	Drain HK 2-36	\$16460.00
Reutzel Excavating	Drain HK 2-36	\$15780.00
Reutzel Excavating	Drain 7	\$1404.50
Reutzel Excavating	Drain 91	\$593.50
E Thompson Tiling	Drain 32	\$4377.50
Certified Testing Services	Drain 75	\$280.00
Certified Testing Services	Drain 75	\$4050.00
TOTAL		\$327060.11

The Board of Supervisors acknowledged the offices and employees' respective salaries for the 2020-2021 calendar year:

Supervisors

Galen Casey	37497.34
Jack Plathe	36949.94
Roger Tjarks	38214.94
Donnie Loss	36949.94
Kyle Stecker	38674.94

Auditor

Amber C. Garman	70010.76
Marjorie Mergen	44162.38
Christy Skilling	45400.68
Melissa Arndorfer	45674.83
Brittany Cressler	22009.64

Treasurer

Nicholas P Rahm	67332.60
Sharon M Waller	57232.80
Constance A Ludwig	47199.12
Shara Long	46643.34
Vivian Streit	47848.50
Kathleen M. Meyer	45421.26
Marlys J Jennings	54230.10
Diana Ostwald	42720.96
Nadel Vipond	33375.42
Shaunya Smith	31780.00

Attorney

Todd M Holmes	97559.28
Cinnamon A Mawdsley	41531.04
Debra J Mueller	49247.82
Stephanie M Miller	79520.40
Jacquelyn Richardson	31587.50

Sheriff

Stephen M Kollasch	86993.34
Brian Runneberg	59183.54
Will Summers	61008.13
Josh Adams	40.00
Marcia L. Baade	42674.76
Thomas R. Winkel	40.00
Marcia Baade	40.00
Matthew Holmquist	59839.47
Christopher Lawson	40.00
Roger A Fisher	66100.23
Jacob Radmaker	62658.43
Michael B Sankey	63493.65
Charles Robinson	76548.21
Mark A. McGregor	61776.81
Tammy L Eden	54211.86
Keara A Omdahl	47545.22
Lori L. Winkel	47794.76
Joe Risius	1680.00
Bailey Pfeffer	1384.32
Dean E Simpson	40561.78
Keith Briggs	62755.48
Dawn R Heiderscheidt	48121.45
Randall R Sewick	41558.51
Greg A Elbert	40623.19
Seth A Muller	41496.91
Angela B Zwiefel	40393.91
Linda Studer	41073.20
Pamela S. Polley	35875.54
Elaine H Davis	58658.18
Jennetta L. Helmers	42618.37
Jordan M. Weichert	41208.10
Rebecca Bonnstetter	10936.15

Recorder

Karen M Benschoter	66839.65
Kimberly K Doughan	56804.64
Autumn L Zwiefel	46552.26
Kristi Frambach	38914.77

Custodian

June Pfeffer	41920.40
Ronald Reefer	51427.82
William Struecker	45190.17

Veteran Affairs

Kim Groesbeck	412.50
Carole Bernhard	412.50
James Grandgenett	412.50
James E Grandgenett	297.00
John Hyink	1136.00
Daniel Green	39919.98

Conservation

Kendall D Stumme	63620.11
Ryan L Schmidt	47676.47

Michael K Smidt	52613.92
Bruce A Heetland	15955.67
Billie J Wille	48427.83
Julie Fosado	22758.03
Kristyn Thul	40726.83
Bryce Capesius	929.50

Community Service

Dale R. Briggs	9783.75
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GIS

Luke Snyder	58989.18
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IT

Derek Olson	83744.41
Donald Heidner	40108.00

Sanitarian

Blaine Struthers	43720.74
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CPC

Anna Miller	26400.00
Martha Illg	6441.36

General Assistance

Dona R Nielsen	76236.58
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Weed Commission

Blaine Struthers	3151.80
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Secondary Road

Douglas A Miller	125666.69
Douglas A Crouch	101250.07
Adam S. Miller	77333.31
Zachary A. Thompson	68333.31
Nicholas Roethler	50979.19
Chase Hatten	728.00
Lisa Hefty	45833.31
David Loss	46467.71
Mark Behr	47074.61
Lynn Stevens	47073.24
Anthony Whitacre	45133.83
Christopher Gelhaus	6993.52
Dustin Hansen	5562.50
Jerry R Baade	48030.15
Darrell W Nyman	11191.12
Mark C Blocker	49149.76
Jonathan R Trunkhill	49025.87
Nicholas B Hoch	54707.09
Myron A Carlson	68619.06
Vern L Ryen	46361.73
Gary Goetz	47130.92
Paul F Grein	46421.90
Dennis L Engelbarts	46985.30
Ronald P Engelbarts	46932.14
Robert A Kockler	48029.84
Marlyn L Helmers	6776.20
Larry Blumer	487.50
Dennis W Higgins	47022.13
James M Smith	46453.00
Dale A Kollasch	48423.16
Todd D Runge	17330.08

William Menke	46602.86
Phillip J Goche	47079.87
Andrew J Wagner	44714.63
Scott A Ziesman	68218.60
Matthew G Schleuger	47851.89
Michael A Phelps	23235.07
William G Merron	68009.47
Fay Preston	46755.23
Jacob Eischen	8619.92
Jeffrey R Gambell	46179.65
Cody J Holmes	46342.38
Ryan Wempen	46710.38
Dennis Rasmus	47205.94
Alex Langel	46674.09
Kasey G. Nerem	45841.11
Brian Blair	48256.44
Randy Boekelman	17930.35
Jerry D. Johnson	46202.70

Civil Defense

David L Penton	37089.66
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Ambulance

Phil Albers	57666.66
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Assessor

Judy L Samp	79163.82
Brandon J Ostwald	34125.06
Christopher M. Lawson	63331.08
Nancy Dixon Knecht	42630.00
Tricia Garry	270.00
Jerry L Clark	270.00
Linda Zwiefel	270.00
Lawrence W Heyn	270.00
Lynette A Hankins	270.00

Landfill

Larry D Haase	65726.07
Dustin Hansen	50233.07
Gary Walker	7287.86
Lyle Karels	313.50

E-911

David L Penton	15895.56
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Human Resource

Stacy Thompson	47986.14
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Motion by Loss and 2nd by Stecker to approve the cash on hand in the following offices: Auditor \$0, Recorder \$200.00, Sheriff \$0 and Treasurer \$3,498.04. 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 conclude business for the 2020 Calendar Year. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes. Motion carried.

2021 New Business

Nominations for Chairman

Supervisor Casey nominated Roger Tjarks to serve as Chairman for 2021. Supervisor Loss offered a 2nd to Supervisor Casey's nomination of Tjarks as Chairman for 2021. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes.

Supervisor Casey nominated Jack Plathe to serve as Vice Chairman for 2021. Supervisor Loss offered a 2nd to this motion. Chairman Plathe called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Tjarks: yes, Plathe: yes.

Chairman Tjarks called to order the New Year and let it be known all members were present.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Loss to approve the 2021 Holiday Schedule for the Kossuth County Employees as requested by Department Heads and Elected Officials. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Loss that the Kossuth County Advance, Bancroft Register, and the Swea City Herald Press be approved as official newspapers for 2021 in Kossuth County. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Casey to approve Resolution# 01-04-21-01 which sets out the procedure that the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors wish to adopt a construction evaluation resolution relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION
01-04-21-01**

CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Iowa Code section 459.304 (3) sets out the procedure if a board of supervisors wishes to adopt a “construction evaluation resolution” relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution can submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) an adopted recommendation to approve or disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution and submitted an adopted recommendation may contest the DNR’s decision regarding a specific application; and

WHEREAS, by adopting a construction evaluation resolution the board of supervisors agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operation structure received by the board of supervisors between February 1, 2021 and January 31, 2022 and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR; and

WHEREAS, the board of supervisors must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix created in Iowa Code section 459.305, but the board’s recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF KOSSUTH COUNTY that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this construction evaluation resolution pursuant to Iowa Code section 459.304 (3).

Resolution declared adopted this 4th day of January 2021.

Chairman, Kossuth County Board of Supervisors

Attest: _____
Tammy Eden, Auditor
Kossuth County

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Loss to approve Resolution# 01-04-21-02 which determines the depositories of public funds belonging to Kossuth County, Iowa and execute the amount which may be deposited without further approval. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION# 01-04-21-02
DEPOSITORIES**

Determine the depositories of public funds belonging to Kossuth County, Iowa and execute the amount which may be deposited without further approval.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kossuth County Treasurer will utilize the services of the following depositories for the deposit of public funds belonging to Kossuth County, Iowa, or coming into its possession, pursuant to a duly executed amount which may be thus deposited without further approval of this Board and the Treasurer of State is as listed:

<u>NAME OF DEPOSITORY</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>MAXIMUM DEPOSIT UNDER THIS RESOLUTION</u>
IOWA STATE BANK	ALGONA	\$18,000,000.00
FARMERS & TRADERS SAVINGS BANK	BANCROFT	\$9,000,000.00
SECURITY STATE BANK	ALGONA	\$15,000,000.00
FARMERS TRUST & SAVINGS BANK	LAKOTA	\$9,000,000.00
BANK PLUS	SWEA CITY	\$9,000,000.00
FARMERS STATE BANK	ALGONA	\$10,000,000.00
NORTHWEST BANK	ALGONA	9,000,000.00
WEST IOWA BANK	WEST BEND	\$9,000,000.00
TITONKA SAVINGS BANK	TITONKA	\$9,000,000.00
IA PUBLIC AGENCY INVMNT TRUST	DES MOINES	\$9,000,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following officers are hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement, to execute and deliver signature authorization cards to depository concurrently therewith, and to execute all drafts, checks and other documents and correspondence regarding any accounts of Kossuth County, Iowa as established depositories:

NICHOLAS P. RAHM	TREASURER	TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2022
SHARON WALLER	DEPUTY	TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2022
MARLYS JENNINGS	DEPUTY	TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2022

BE IT RESOLVED, that the officers described above are hereby authorized and directed to take such action, and execute such documents and agreements as may be necessary to secure the repayment of the deposits of public funds authorized hereunder, including to, but not limited to: Security Agreements, Bailment Agreements, Notices, and any documents or instruments supplemental or incidental thereto.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Auditor forward a certified copy of this resolution to Depository, and other parties which may request it for purposes of effectuating the deposit of public funds authorized hereunder or any security therefore, together with a certificate attesting to the names and signatures of the present incumbents to the offices described above; and the auditor further certify to Depository or other parties from the time to time the signature of any successor in office of any of the present incumbents.

The above and foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Kossuth County, Iowa this 4th day of January 2021.

Chairman, Kossuth County
Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Tammy Eden, Kossuth County Auditor

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Plathe to approve Resolution# 01-04-21-03 which determines the depositories for 2021 for the Kossuth County Recorder and Kossuth County Sheriff with maximum limitations. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION# 01-04-21-03
DEPOSITORIES
Kossuth County Recorder and Kossuth County Sheriff**

Designate the depositories for 2021 for the Kossuth County Recorder and the Kossuth County Sheriff with maximum limitations.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following banks be designated as depositories for 2021 for the Kossuth County Recorder and the Kossuth County Sheriff with maximum limitations as shown.

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name of Depository/Location</u>	<u>Maximum Deposit</u>
Kossuth County Recorder	Iowa State Bank, Algona	\$50,000.00
Kossuth County Sheriff	Northwest Bank, Algona	\$30,000.00

The above and foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Kossuth County, Iowa this 4th day of January, 2021.

Chairman, Kossuth County
Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Tammy Eden, Kossuth County Auditor

Motion by Casey and 2nd by Stecker to approve Resolution# 01-04-21-04 which authorizes the Kossuth County Auditor to issue checks for payment against Kossuth County when the Board is not in session. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION
01-04-21-04**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Kossuth County, Iowa that pursuant to the provisions of Section 331.506 (3), Code of Iowa, the Auditor of Kossuth County, Iowa is hereby authorized to issue warrants in payment of claims against Kossuth County when the Board is not in session for the following purposes:

1. For fixed charges including, but not limited to, freight, express, postage, water, light, telephone service or contractual services, after a bill is filed with the auditor.
2. For salaries and payrolls if the compensation has been fixed or approved by the board. The salary or payroll shall be certified by the officer or supervisor under whose direction or supervision the compensation is earned for payment to vendors of payroll expenses, health, dental, lpers, FICA, etc.
3. For reimbursements of elected officials, department heads, employees (who have been approved by their department head) attending schools of instruction or seminars for which

they have first paid the registration fees, mileage (at the rate established by the Board of Supervisors with the documentation) meals (up to \$25 per day with receipt attached to claim) and hotel accommodations (up to \$90 per day with receipt attached to claim).

4. For advance to the Sheriff for expenses needing to be covered at a time other than our normal days for paying bills.
5. For payment of expenses to election workers and rent of election facility.
6. For payment to employees for medical claims thru the flex plan. This being authorized under the Board of Supervisors power of Home Rule.

Resolution declared adopted this 4th day of January, 2021.

Chairman, Kossuth County Board of Supervisors

Attest: _____
Tammy Eden, Kossuth County Auditor

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Plathe to approve the Eminent Domain Commission as submitted. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Casey to allow employees of Kossuth County, Iowa on official business to charge their motel and food bill to Kossuth County, Iowa in 2021. The board recommends a maximum charge of \$20 per meal. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Loss to approve the rate of lodging for out of county inmates at \$50.00 per day. The Sheriff shall charge \$50.00 per day for Court Ordered Work Release and reimbursements of \$50.00 per day for Jail Room and Board reimbursement fees for convicted inmates. These rates are as approved by Roger Fisher, Kossuth County Sheriff. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Plathe to approve the spending limit for any one item of \$5,000 for Elected Officials and Department Heads. Prior authorization from the Board of Supervisors will be needed if the dollar amount is above the \$5,000. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Stecker to appoint Township Trustees for 2021 for a 4-year term, expiring December 31, 2024. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Buffalo Township: Daryl Eden
Burt Township: Marsha Habeger
Cresco Township: Steve Mallory
Eagle Township: Rita Rippentrop
Fenton Township: David Hurlburt
Garfield Township: Wyan Metzger
German Township: David Post
Greenwood Township: Larry Wilhelmi
Harrison Township: Vincent Johnson
Hebron Township: Jeff Willmert
Irvington Township: Phil Divis
Ledyard Township: Andrew Loucks
Lincoln Township: Ken Risius
Lotts Creek Township: Tom Bjustrom
LuVerne Township: Dennis Marty
Plum Creek Township: Steve Bode
Portland Township: Donavon Beenken
Prairie Township: Paul Grein
Ramsey Township: Pat Merron
Riverdale Township: Jeff Reding
Seneca Township: Gordon Burt

Sherman Township: Dean Berte
Springfield Township: Joel Klocke
Swea Township: Phil Hardt
Union Township: Rod Scuffham
Wesley Township: Dwayne Eden
Whittemore Township: Ron Kollasch

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Casey to approve Joint Drainage District PAK 1 Main Open Ditch Repair Project Pay Request 7 in the amount of \$127,443.29 to Cory Juergens Construction LLC. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Loss to appoint Lipps as Drainage Attorney to handle litigation and to also appoint Hudson to handle questions as Drainage Attorney for the year 2021 in Kossuth County. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

There was no construction within the ROW.

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

Motion by Casey to reduce the recommendation of the Kossuth County Compensation Board by 50%. Motion failed for lack of 2nd.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Stecker to accept the recommendation of the Kossuth County Compensation Board which would allow for a 2% increase of the Board of Supervisors, 2% increase for the County Auditor, 2% increase for the County Attorney, 3% increase for the County Recorder, 3% increase for the Sheriff and 3% increase for the County Treasurer. This motion is for budget purposes only and final action of the recommendation will be made at the Kossuth County Budget Hearing for FY 21-22. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: no, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Tjarks to establish a priority list for natural conservation or wildlife areas to be allowed for property tax exempt status of which is not to exceed 1% of total agricultural land in the county or 3,000 acres. The following list has been proposed: 1. Open Prairies 2. River and Stream Banks 3. Forest Covers 4. Rivers and Streams 5. Recreational Lakes. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Casey to re-appoint Teri Miller as the Conservation Board Member for District 4. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Stecker approving the appointment of Stacy Thompson to coordinate compliance with the employment nondiscrimination requirements for 2021 – Employees Equal Opportunity Officer. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Casey to appoint David Penton as Emergency Management Coordinator for the 2021 year. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Loss to appoint Phil Albers as EMS Administrator for the 2021 year. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Tjarks to appoint Blaine Struthers as the Kossuth County Employee designated to do on-site evaluations for the Master Matrix for the 2021 year, as Weed Commissioner for the 2021 year, and Environmental Health Specialist for the 2021 year. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Stecker to appoint Daniel Green as the Full-Time Director of Veteran's Affairs for the 2021 year. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Casey and 2nd by Plathe to appoint Nick Roethler as Safety Director for Secondary Road for 2021. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Plathe to appoint Doug Miller as Kossuth County Engineer for the 2021 year, Engineer for the Kossuth County Landfill and Transfer Station for the 2021 year, and as Zoning Administrator for the 2021 year. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to appoint Larry Haase as the Manager of the Kossuth County Landfill and Transfer Station for the 2021 year. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Tjarks to designate the County Assessor and/or County Conservation Staff to inspect the areas where an application has been filed for forest & fruit tree reservation tax exemption. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Casey and 2nd by Plathe to approve the appointments of Kossuth County Board of Supervisors to the following organizations for 2021: Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Board of Directors of the Third Judicial District Department of Corrections.....	Kyle Stecker
Boone River Watershed Authority.....	Roger Tjarks & Galen Casey
Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center Board Delegate	Kyle Stecker
Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center Board Alternate	Roger Tjarks
Care Connections of Northern Iowa Board Delegate.....	Donnie Loss
Alternate.....	Roger Tjarks
De Cat Board	Galen Casey
E-911 Delegate	Donnie Loss
E-911 Alternate.....	Galen Casey
Early Childhood North Central Iowa Board.....	Jack Plathe
Emergency Management Commission.....	Donnie Loss
EMS Advisory Board.....	Kyle Stecker
Homeward Housing Inc. Board.....	Roger Tjarks
ICAP Representative.....	Jack Plathe
Kept Advisory Board	Roger Tjarks
Kossuth County Board of Health.....	Jack Plathe
Kossuth County Economic Development Board Delegate	Donnie Loss
Kossuth County Economic Development Board Alternate.....	Jack Plathe
Kossuth Waste Management Association Delegate.....	Jack Plathe
Alternate.....	Donnie Loss
NIACOG Board Delegate.....	Galen Casey
NIACOG Alternate.....	Roger Tjarks
North Central Regional Response Commission Delegate.....	Donnie Loss
Alternate	Roger Tjarks
North Iowa Community Action Organization.....	Roger Tjarks
Transportation Policy Board Delegate.....	Donnie Loss
Alternate.....	Kyle Stecker
Workforce Development Board	Kyle Stecker

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Loss to appoint Supervisor Casey to serve on the Kossuth County Wellness Committee. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Stecker to appoint Supervisor Tjarks to serve on the Kossuth County Safety Committee. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Stecker to appoint Judge Ann Gales, Judge David Forsyth, Judge Mark Laddusaw, and Judge Anne Quail to the Magistrate. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Casey to approve Kossuth County Sheriff Reserve Officer Chris Lawson's, application for Firearm and Taser Certification to be submitted to the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Casey to change the Sick Leave Policy for Family Members to allow for up to 24 hours instead of three days. Department heads will keep track of this on a calendar year basis and these days will not carry over. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Loss to approve the appointment of Bill Mullins and Roger Tjarks to the Homeward Housing Inc. Board. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Appointments to NIACOG Board was tabled to the January 12, 2021 board meeting.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Casey to appoint Jack Plathe, Dixie Meyer and Dr. Rachel Venteicher to the Board of Health with the term dates of 2021 to 2022. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Casey: yes, Stecker: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Discussion with the Kossuth County Auditor was held followed by Board discussion.

On Motion, adjournment was taken at 11:00am until January 12, 2021.

Attest:

Tammy Eden
Kossuth County Auditor

Roger Tjarks, Chairman
Kossuth County Board of Supervisors