

BOARD PROCEEDINGS
April 27, 2021
REGULAR April SESSION

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

Chairman, Roger Tjarks called the meeting to order at 7:59 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Discussion was held.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Stecker to approve the agenda and the minutes of the previous meeting dated April 20, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Bi-Monthly update was given by Phil Albers on the Ambulance Department.

The board acknowledged the Wellness Committee minutes.

Motion by Casey and 2nd by Plathe to approve Monthly Jeans Day for Kossuth County employees at the cost of \$5 per month. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Tjarks to approve the Quarterly Reports for the Auditor, Recorder, Sheriff and Veteran's Affairs. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Plathe to appoint Roger Tjarks to the Kossuth County Economic Development Corporation Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Loss to approve the Liquor License for River Road Golf Course. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Stecker to approve Fireworks Permit for Abate of Iowa for July 3, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Stecker to approve a new cell phone for the mental health advocate. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Plathe to approve and sign the agreement between Kossuth County and Kossuth County Economic Development. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: yes, Casey: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Tjarks to approve the Courthouse Annex Lease Agreement with Early Childhood North Central Iowa Board. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: yes, Casey: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Stecker to award the contract services for Kossuth County's Annual Audit Services for FY 2021, 2022 and 2023 to Gardiner & Company, P.C. in the amounts of \$41,500 for FY 2020-2021; \$42,500 for FY 2021-2022 and \$43,500 for FY 2022-2023. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: yes, Casey: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Plathe to approve payment to Dave Penton for the final balance of comp time he acquired on the front lines of pandemic response by providing important services to Iowa Citizen's during the Covid Pandemic. Kossuth County was awarded \$145,913.10 on February 24, 2021 as part of Local Government Relief Funds to counties from remaining FEMA local match funding and previously allocated funding for small cities to the counties they reside in. The CARES Act funding provides relief for expenses that have been incurred directly by counties and will cover the amount of Comp time acquired by Dave Penton. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: yes, Casey: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Tjarks to authorize and give its permission to Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative, Estherville, IA, to splice into three phase cabinet in east right of way and trench onto 3704 10th Ave to upgrade single to three phase service. Work will be in Section 18, Seneca Township. Permit 04-11-2021 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Plathe to authorize and give its permission to Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative, Estherville, IA, to bore electric cable under 140th Ave., approximately 65 feet south of Hwy

9/169. Work will be in Section 18, Ledyard Township. Permit 04-12-2021 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Casey to have the Supervisors handle their requests for drainage as follows: Supervisor Tjarks: Request #2021-017 DD WK 35-89 OD, #2021-018 DD82, #2021-019 DD WK 35-89 Main Tile and #2021-020 DD 102. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Wirtz (Palo Alto County Supervisor) and 2nd by Casey to approve levy assessment with Palo Alto County Joint Drain PAK 1 Lateral B Open Ditch for Fall 2021 Assessment. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Casey and 2nd by Stecker to pay Request #8 for PAK 1 Joint Drainage District Open Ditch Cleanout in the amount of \$44,586.00 payable to Cory Juergens Construction, LLC. Motion carried unanimously.

Held Discussion with the Kossuth County Auditor.

Discussion was held with the Board of Supervisors.

Barry Jennings from Advanced Architectural Products, Inc. and Adam Van Gorp from CMBA Architects looked at the courthouse doors. They will be in contact with PHI to adjust and correct the problems with the north entry doors and will come up with a plan for the south entry doors.

Attest:

Tammy Eden
Kossuth County Auditor

Roger Tjarks, Chairman
Kossuth County Board of Supervisors