

BOARD PROCEEDINGS
February 22, 2022
REGULAR February SESSION

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

Chairman, Roger Tjarks called the meeting to order at 8:01 A.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Discussion was held.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Loss to approve the agenda and the minutes from February 15, 2022.
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Casey and 2nd by Plathe to approve the hiring of Shayne Hoch as full time Deputy Sheriff.
Motion carried unanimously.

Monthly update from EMS Administrator.

Acknowledged the Wellness Committee Minutes.

Monthly update from General Assistance Administrator.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Tjarks to approve the purchase of items for the new building that the ARPA Committee approved. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: no, Casey: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Loss to approve replacing the tubes in both the Courthouse boilers for the sum of \$26,665.00 by C.H. McGuiness Co, Inc. 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 Resolution 02-22-22-01, accepting the merger of Kossuth County into the Iowa Finance Authority Certification of the NIACOG Housing Trust as a funded Housing Trust Fund. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: yes, Casey: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #02-22-22-01

**ACCEPTANCE OF MERGER OF KOSSUTH COUNTY INTO THE IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY CERTIFICATION
OF THE NIACOG HOUSING TRUST FUND AS A FUNDED HOUSING TRUST FUND**

WHEREAS, the NIACOG Housing Trust Fund, Inc. (NIACOG HTF) is an established Local Housing Trust Fund (LHTF) serving Cerro Gordo and Floyd Counties; and,

WHEREAS, Homeward Inc. will no longer serve as an established LHTF for Franklin, Hancock, Kossuth, Mitchell, Winnebago, and Worth Counties upon completion of the 2022 funding year; and

WHEREAS, creating a joined Local Housing Trust Fund (LHTF) that is certified by the Iowa Finance Authority to receive funding, would permit NIACOG HTF to assist families under the State Housing Trust Fund for the entire 8-county region; and

WHEREAS, beginning January of 2023 the State Housing Trust Fund dollars will be administered by the NIACOG HTF under the direction its Board of Directors, and NIACOG staff will provide day-to-day management that target the needs of the residents of respective counties;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Supervisors of Kossuth County hereby agree to the merger with NIACOG HTF and their existing certification as an Iowa Finance Authority funded agency, as related to the State Housing Trust Fund,

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Attest:

No action taken on the Assignment of Gravel Pit Farm Lease: Montag Pit #2, Section 27, Orthel Twp, Hancock Co.

Discussion was held with Alliant Energy of Wisconsin regarding the construction of 27 windmills to be built in the County. Let the records show the Attorney will review all the documents and give the Board of Supervisors a recommendation.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Tjarks to approve the construction contract for construction project LFM-CO74(1019)—7X-74 with Croell, Inc. of New Hampton, Iowa for division 1 equaling \$4,652,404.49, division 2 equaling \$971,370.31 and totaling \$5,523,774.80 and to authorize the chair to sign the contract. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: yes, Casey: no, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

There was no Construction ROW.

Held discussion with the Kossuth County Engineer/Zoning Administrator.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Loss to rescind motion of March 23, 2021 regarding the purchase of Western Star Truck Chasis and Semi Tractors. 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 Loss to have Supervisor Tjarks handle drainage request #2022-2 DD 80. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held with Kossuth County Auditor and Kossuth County Board of Supervisors.

Adjournment was taken until 1:00 P.M.

Temporary Redistricting Committee Meeting was held.

Motion by Casey and 2nd by Plathe to recognize the LSA map for Supervisor Districts with our District numbers to be presented to the State as follows: LSA #1 will be #4; LSA #2 will be #5; LSA #3 will be #1; LSA #4 will be #2; LSA #5 will be #3. Motion carried. Supervisor Stecker not present for vote.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Tjarks to Approve the Supervisor Districts as Presented by LSA and the Temporary Redistricting Commission with the District numbers by our Previous motion. Motion carried. Supervisor Stecker not present for vote.

Adjournment was taken at 2:05 p.m. until Tuesday, March 1, 2022.

Attest:

Tammy Eden
Kossuth County Auditor

Roger Tjarks, Chairman
Kossuth County Board of Supervisors