

**BOARD PROCEEDINGS**  
**February 14, 2023**  
**REGULAR February SESSION**

The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment. Present were Roger Tjarks, Chairman, Kyle Stecker (Via Internet), Joshua Waechter, Carter Nath and Jack Plathe.

Chairman, Roger Tjarks called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public discussion was held.

Motion by Waechter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nath to approve the agenda and minutes of the previous meeting dated February 7, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Monthly update was given by Kossuth Regional Health Center.

The Secondary Road foremen gave their monthly updates.

Motion by Nath and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Waechter to approve the handwritten claim in the amount of \$150.00 for Brazos County Sheriff. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Waechter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Plathe to approve a 6-month probationary pay raise to \$16.00/hr effective immediately and 1-year probationary pay raise to \$17.00/hr effective July, 2023 for the Housekeeping position. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nath to accept the bid from Algona Plumbing in the amount of \$15,503 for the furnace for the new Emergency Management Building. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nath to approve the remainder of the grant funds in the amount of \$16,127 to be used for the EMS 2023 Suburban Upfit. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Waechter to approve obtaining one credit card for Kossuth County EMS to be used for fuel, lodging, special meetings, and training, but excluding food and other charges. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tjarks and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Plathe to not apply for the Governor's Empower Rural Iowa Initiative Pilot Program. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: no, Stecker: no, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried 3-2.

Motion by Nath and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tjarks to approve of and appoint Steve Struecker, West Bend, Iowa to the Kossuth Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Waechter to approve of and appoint Jim Helderfer, Bancroft, Iowa to the Kossuth Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Waechter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nath to hereby authorize and give its permission to Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative, Estherville, IA, to bore underground electric, convert overhead single-phase to three-phase, and intersect poles along existing routes: Bore under A-21 (470<sup>th</sup> St.) at 1109 470<sup>th</sup> St and the south and east sides of the P-40 (120<sup>th</sup> Ave.) and A-21 (470<sup>th</sup> St.) intersection, and convert single-phase to three-phase overhead along the east ROW of P-40 between 470<sup>th</sup> St. and 480<sup>th</sup> St. Work will be in Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36 of Grant Twp. Permit 02-02A-2023. Intersect poles along the north ROW of 450<sup>th</sup> St. from 140<sup>th</sup> Ave. east approximately six miles to 200<sup>th</sup> Ave. Work will be in Sections 1-6, Ledyard and 6 Lincoln Twp. Permit 02-02B-2023. Permits 02-02A-2023 and 02-02B-2023 are on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tjarks and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Waechter to authorize and give its permission to Bevcomm of Blue Earth, MN, to bore fiber optic cable under 510<sup>th</sup> Street, thence plow the east backslope 140<sup>th</sup> Ave. to 510<sup>th</sup> Street, thence plow the north backslope of 510<sup>th</sup> Street to 340<sup>th</sup> Ave. (Faribault County, MN). Excludes Faribault County, MN responsibility. Work will be in Section 8 of Springfield Township and Faribault County, MN. Permit Number 02-03-2023 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. See map attached to permit for installation details. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Update was given on the Summit Carbon Solutions project.

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

Motion by Plathe and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Waechter to adjourn at 10:27 A.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Attest:

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Tammy Eden  
Kossuth County Auditor

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Roger Tjarks, Chairman  
Kossuth County Board of Supervisors