

BOARD PROCEEDINGS
August 22, 2023
REGULAR August SESSION

The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment. Present were Roger Tjarks (Chairman), Carter Nath, Joshua Waechter, Kyle Stecker, 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 Nath and 2nd by Plathe to approve the agenda and minutes of the previous meetings dated August 15, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to approve the conservation claims. Motion carried unanimously.

Algona Plumb & Htg	Srvs	121.20	1
Alg Pub Co	Notices	63.00	1
Alliant Energy	Srvs	5209.30	2
Bomgaars	Supp	149.74	2
Braun Tree Service	Exp	300.00	1
Brown's Shoe Fit Co	Supp	63.16	1
B Buscher	Exp	425.00	1
Card Services	Exp	763.26	2
Central IA Dist	Supp	65.00	1
Centurylink	Phone	324.96	2
Chuck Doocy Lawn Care	Servs	1075.00	1
Deitering Bros	Srvs	52000.00	3
B. Elbert	Exp	20.00	1
Friedrich Construction	Exp	124.00	1
Glen's Green Thumb	Exp	175.96	1
Hjelmeland Builders	Srvs	18439.00	1
J Hofbauer	Servs	150.00	1
Hy-Vee	Supp	589.04	3
IA Lakes EC	Elec	1061.00	1
Jacks OK Tire Srv	Srvs	23.43	1
John Deere Financial	Parts	165.25	1
M Klujeske	Servs	100.00	1
Lake Mills Motor Sports II	Srvs	742.41	1
J Leininger	Servs	150.00	1
T. Leininger	Exp	225.00	1
K Lohman	Servs	225.00	1
Midland Power Coop	Utilities	37.88	1
D Nettleton	Exp	80.00	1
NIA Lumber&Design	Exp	189.90	1
NW Comm	Service	124.85	1
K & H	Fuel	724.21	1
OC Trailers & RV's Inc	Exp	2000.00	1
Pet Kingdom	Exp	123.79	1
T Petersen	Servs	25.00	1
Rolling Tree Service	Srvs	800.00	1
Schindler Lawn Care	Srvs	960.00	2
Schumacher Well	Supp	765.45	1
Sioux River Bees	Supp	175.00	1
Smidt Automotive & Repair	Srvs	82.78	1
M Smidt	Exp	190.00	1
St Hygienic Lab	Supp	14.50	1
Steier Ag	Supp	426.78	1
Thompson Sewer & Drain	Supp	2420.00	1
Tom Eischen Sales	Parts	229.99	1
Verizon Wireless	Exp	91.49	2
Counsel Ofs & Doc	Supp	83.29	1
Waste Mgmt of WI-MN	Srvs	1560.15	2
Grand Total		93854.77	

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to approve the handwritten claim in the amount of \$5,000 for the postage reserve account. Motion carried unanimously.

A monthly update was given by the EMS Coordinator, Phil Albers.

Discussion was held regarding setting a timeline for implementation of Globe Life Family Heritage Supplemental Insurance. Consensus was to wait until the county open enrollment to offer Globe Life Family, to give the contact information to any employee requesting further information, and to put the information in the packet for new hires.

General Assistance Coordinator, Dona Nielsen gave a monthly update.

The Board of Supervisors acknowledged the safety committee minutes and the wellness committee minutes.

Section 2 of the Kossuth County handbook was reviewed. One change was made, and HR will document the change.

Motion by Nath and 2nd by Waechter to authorize and give its permission to the Apostolic Church, West Bend, IA, to bore a 4" tile under 140th Street and outlet on the south foreslope, approximately 250 feet west of 20th Avenue. The crossing is located on the south line of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 7, Garfield Township. Work will be between Sections 7 and 18 Garfield Township, Kossuth County. Permit number OT-23-08-02 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Tjarks to authorize and give its permission to Winnebago Cooperative Telecom Association of Lake Mills, IA, to bury fiber optic cable in the north right-of-way from 1003 370 Street to 1004 370 Street, thence under 370 Street. Work will be in Sections 15 and 22 of Greenwood Township. Permit number 08-23-2023 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office, see map attached to permit for installation details. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to authorize and give its permission to Algona Municipal Utilities, Algona, IA, to remove overhead line and bore approximately 160 feet of underground electric in the north right-of-way from 1007 230 Street to 1010 230 Street, thence bore south under 230 Street. Work will be in Sections 27 and 34, Union Township. Permit 08-24-2023 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to authorize and give its permission to Titonka – Burt Communications of Titonka, IA, to plow approximately 340 feet of fiber optic cable in the between 3311 and 3309 220th Avenue in the west right-of-way. Work will be in Section 4 Buffalo Township. Permit number 08-25-2023 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

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

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

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Waechter to have the supervisors handle their requests as follows:
Supervisor Stecker: Request 2023-078 DD 4 Lat 11 to have the landowner choose the contractor and have Supervisors Nath and Tjarks present to make the inspection. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Stecker: Abstain, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Nath to open the Public Hearing for DD 90 Lat 1 Tile RR crossing repairs. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Stecker: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

A presentation for DD 90 Lat 1 Tile RR crossing repairs was given by ISG and a discussion was held. No written objections were submitted.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Plathe to close the public hearing for DD 90 Lat 1 Tile RR crossing repairs. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Stecker: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

No decision was made during the public hearing.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to rescind the previous action from January 11, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to approve repair option 1 and option 2 as an alternative and direct ISG and legal counsel to prepare written notice to the Union Pacific RR regarding repairs on DD 90 Lat 1 Tile RR Crossing. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Stecker to adjourn at 10:41 A.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Attest:

Tammy Eden
Kossuth County Auditor

Roger Tjarks, Chairman
Kossuth County Board of Supervisors