

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
THIRTY-FIRST MEETING, 2022 SESSION (31)  
JULY 5, 2022**

The Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, July 5, 2022, at 8:30 A.M. in the Boardroom with Chairman Merten presiding, and the following members present: Altena, Huseman, Ringgenberg, and Snyder and with Auditor Susan Lloyd as clerk for the meeting.

Unless otherwise indicated, all the following **motions** offered at this meeting were carried with the following vote: Ayes: Altena, Huseman, Merten, Ringgenberg, and Snyder. Nays: none. Abstentions: none.

Motion by Snyder, second by Ringgenberg, to approve **today's agenda**. Carried.

Engineer Bret Wilkinson presented the RISE Grant application for the Board Chair to sign. The application is for Immediate Opportunity Project Funding. Wilkinson stated that he wants the Local Development side, but it is up to IDOT, as they need to be on board with the project. Executive Director of NW IA Planning & Development Ted Kourousis was present for the discussion. Kourousis stated that usually the Local Development is \$10,000 - \$15,000 per new job created, and said that DOT urged them to get the application in. Kourousis stated that the application is for four miles of improvement, and usually they pay for one access, and this has more. Wilkinson stated that he is asking for the full four miles, presenting it as a whole, and let DOT decide. Wilkinson stated that the State could pay up to 50% of the actual costs and said that the consultant estimated the cost at \$13M, but that is on the high side. Wilkinson recommends approval of the application so it can be sent to IDOT soon, stating that September is the Local Development deadline. Motion by Huseman, second by Snyder, to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the **RISE Grant application** and **Resolution #2022-07-05-B** authorizing commitment of Local Funds for a RISE Project and Support of the Grant application and Minority Impact Statement. Carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-07-05-B**

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BUENA VISTA COUNTY, IOWA  
AUTHORIZING COMMITMENT OF LOCAL FUNDS FOR A RISE PROJECT AND SUPPORT OF THE  
GRANT APPLICATION

**WHEREAS;** Buena Vista County, Iowa, is the sponsor on an application to the IDOT RISE Program for partial funding to assist with roadway improvements to approximately 4 miles of the County roadway system and turning lanes on Iowa Highway 7 to the planned location of a new economic development project; and

**WHEREAS;** an immediate, non-speculative opportunity exists for permanent job creation; and

**WHEREAS;** that RISE funding is critical and essential to the job creation; and

**WHEREAS;** the Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors desires that these roadway and subsequent improvements identified in the proposed RISE project remain dedicated to public use and commit to maintenance of the county roadways now and in the future; and

**WHEREAS;** the Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors proposes to assist in the financing of said project upon its approval by the Iowa Department of Transportation,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors, submit the application for RISE assistance to the Iowa Department of Transportation, and upon its approval, provide the non-RISE financial participation as outlined within said application.

Passed and Approved this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022.

/s/ Paul Merten, Chairman.....Attest: Susan K. Lloyd, County Auditor

Engineer Bret Wilkinson informed the Board of a property in Truesdale that is for sale and would be a centrally located shop with 14 acres that would be a good place to have a stockpile. Wilkinson stated that the current Truesdale shop could be sold, and they could move the current stockpile on M44 to the new Truesdale location, and then the M44 land could be sold. Wilkinson asked the Board to consider this option, and then to decide on the Alta parcel that was recently purchased. Wilkinson stated that they could keep the parcel in Alta and purchase the parcel in Truesdale, as this is an opportunity to improve. Snyder stated that he would like to see the County purchase the parcel in Truesdale. Merten commented that he does not want to push back projects like roads and bridges in order to buy another building. Merten stated that it would still take a good chunk of money to upgrade the Alta building, and then asked if this was the best value for the county dollars. Wilkinson stated that he will obtain more estimates on what needs to be done at the new parcel in Alta to be a new shop.

**Secondary Road Report:** They hauled the dirt to the BV County Fairgrounds and talked about what to do with the dirt after the fair event. They may leave the dirt on the infield and level it out as they want to keep it close to the tracks; Wilkinson stated that the asphalt for the M50 box culvert project was placed last Friday. They need to work on the shouldering, seeding, and fertilizing. Secondary Road will plant a few trees before late fall in the SW corner. Wilkinson is hoping to open the road this week; The crew has been mowing and blading gravel roads; Wilkinson stated that Platinum Crush paid for more dust control on 70<sup>th</sup> Ave.; Wilkinson stated that the survey is done, and they are working on what right-of-way to buy on the four miles of roads.

County Treasurer Danelle Haberman informed the Board that she had a request from Barry Meyer to redeem a tax sale certificate that the county has held since 2017. Meyer stated that he would pay it off and redeem the tax sale certificate, which would place the parcel back on the tax rolls. Meyer stated that he has been mowing the property for twenty plus years. Haberman stated that Meyer would pay the back taxes of \$392.25 plus a \$10 assignment fee, and then he will continue to pay taxes on the parcel. Motion by Huseman, second by Altena, to approve the **assignment of the Certificate of Purchase** on parcel #1002178014, in the City of Truesdale, to allow Barry Meyer to purchase this parcel, paying \$392.25 plus a \$10 assignment fee. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Snyder, to abate the delinquent Lake Creek Sanitary Sewer District special assessment, fees, and interest on **parcel #1030351009** in Washington Township, on the property of Galyerd A. Sadusky Trust. Carried.

Motion by Altena, second by Snyder, to approve the **minutes** of 6/28/22, as presented, today's **claims approval list, stamped drainage warrant register,** and the following **reports:** FY'22 Electronic Services System (ESS) Annual Report, BV County Continuing Disclosure Document prepared by Northland Securities, and May Early Childhood Iowa minutes & financials. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Huseman, to set a public hearing for a FY'23 BV County **budget amendment,** for July 26, at 9:00 a.m. Carried.

Env Health/Zoning Director Kim Johnson presented information on a Minor S/D request from the Arlen Carlson Estate in Section 5 Nokomis Township. Motion by Snyder, second by Ringgenberg, to approve and authorize the Chair to sign **Resolution #2022-07-05-A** Minor S/D for Arlen Carlson Estate in Section 5 Nokomis Township. Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2022-07-05-A**

**WHEREAS** the Arlen Carlson Estate has presented a preliminary and final plat (of survey) on the following described property:

**DESCRIPTION – LOT 1 OF LOT F:**

**A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST FRACTIONAL QUARTER (NW 1/4 NW FRAC 1/4) OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 91 NORTH, RANGE 38 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., BUENA VISTA COUNTY, IOWA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:**

Commencing at the Northwest (NW) Corner of the Northwest Fractional Quarter (NW FRAC 1/4) of the said Section 5; Thence on an assumed bearing of South 00° 04' 23" West, along the West line of said Northwest Fractional Quarter (NW FRAC 1/4), 360.48 feet to the Northwest (NW) Corner of Lot F of said Section 5, said point also being the Point of Beginning. Thence South 88° 21' 20" East, along the North line of said Lot F, 403.01 feet to the Northeast (NE) Corner of said Lot F; Thence South 01° 13' 14" West, along the East line of said Lot F, 243.46 feet; Thence North 88° 38' 00" West, 52.00 feet; Thence South 23° 50' 46" West, 75.00 feet; Thence North 88° 03' 35" West, 74.00 feet; Thence South 06° 31' 56" West, 8.00 feet; Thence South 89° 56' 41" West, 240.90 feet to the West line of said Northwest Fractional Quarter (NW FRAC 1/4); Thence North 00° 04' 23" East, along said West line, 328.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Hereafter known as Lot 1of Lot F of Section 5, Township 91 North, Range 38 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Buena Vista County, Iowa.

Parcel contains 2.83 Acres and is subject to all easements of record.

**WHEREAS**, the final plats meet with the approval of the Board subject only to the following if any: **None**

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Buena Vista County, Iowa Board of Supervisors that:**

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be affixed to the final plat of:**

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Hereafter known as Lot 1of Lot F of Section 5, Township 91 North, Range 38 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Buena Vista County, Iowa, and copies of said final plats shall be of record in the appropriate County offices.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 5th day of July, 2022.

/s/ Paul Merten, Chairman Board of Supervisors...../s/ Susan K. Lloyd, County Auditor

Motion by Huseman, second by Altena, to authorize the Chair to sign the response letter to the auditing firm, regarding the **FY'21 audit**. Carried.

Chairman Merten updated the Board regarding the Rolling Hills Region Governance Board Meeting that was held, to discuss the MOU for Rolling Hills Community Services Region. Merten stated that the Governance Board had approved the MOU, and now it was back to all counties for their approval. Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Snyder, to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the **Memorandum of Understanding** (MOU) Regarding Reimbursement from Rolling Hills Community Services Region for County Employees, those employed by Buena Vista County. Carried.

Motion by Snyder, second by Ringgenberg, to approve and authorize the Supervisors to all sign the **28E Agreement** for Rolling Hills Community Services Region. Carried.

**Supervisor Meeting Reports:** Merten attended the Rolling Hills Governance Board meeting last week and will be at the Department Head meeting on Thursday; Ringgenberg attended the quarterly meeting of the Iowa Lakes Corridor last week.

There being no further business, motion by Snyder, second by Ringgenberg, to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 a.m. until Tuesday, July 19 at 8:30 a.m. for a regular meeting. (No meeting is planned for July 12)