

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
THIRTY-FOURTH MEETING, 2022 SESSION (34)
AUGUST 2, 2022**

The Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, August 2, 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 Huseman, second by Snyder, to amend **today's agenda**, to add setting a public hearing for a budget amendment to the action items. Carried.

Engineer Bret Wilkinson discussed increasing entrance installation rates. The rates were last updated in March, 2021, and he usually tries to wait two years, but costs keep going up. Wilkinson recommends increasing the cost of pipe and increasing the cost of the dirt fill/entrance construction. Motion by Huseman, second by Ringgenberg, to approve increasing **entrance installation rates**, for the cost of pipe and driveway entrances, due to increased material and labor costs, effective with any new driveway requests. Ayes: Altena, Huseman, Ringgenberg, Snyder. Nays: None. Abstentions: Merten. Motion carried.

Engineer Bret Wilkinson discussed **dust control on 70th Ave.** by the Platinum Crush plant. Wilkinson stated that currently, the chemical used for dust control is out of stock, with more available August 10. Wilkinson stated that Platinum Crush paid for dust control from Hwy 7 south to Tate's house, four weeks later the county paid for it, and four weeks after that, Platinum paid for dust control again. Wilkinson asked the Board whether they would like the county to pay for the next application of dust control, which would be approximately \$3,500-\$3,700 for one application. Wilkinson was asking for a consensus of what the Board would like to see with future dust control applications around the Platinum Crush site. Huseman commented that he was in favor of applying the dust control, as it is a very dusty road. Merten agreed, that this is a dusty road, with the heavy traffic, and would be in favor of applying dust control. The consensus of the Board was to have the county apply dust control on 70th Ave. from Hwy 7 south past Tate's house, August 10th or 11th.

Engineer Bret Wilkinson informed the Board that the **DOT Commission** will be meeting next week, August 8-9, and recommends that someone from the County attend, as DOT will be making their decisions on the RISE Grant applications. Wilkinson stated that on August 9, the county may request a time to speak during the public input. The consensus of the Board was to have Engineer Wilkinson attend and request time to speak during the public input.

Secondary Road Report: The crew has been busy hauling gravel, blading, and mowing along the gravel roads; another crew has been working on the culvert replacements along the Platinum Crush site, with three culverts done, a 4th culvert to open today, and another three culverts to be done next week; Engineer Wilkinson has spent a lot of time on the RISE Grant application.

Env Health/Zoning Director Kim Johnson presented information on a Minor S/D request of Robert D. Jensen Jr. in Section 22 Washington Township. Motion by Snyder, second by Altena, to approve and authorize the Chair to sign **Resolution #2022-08-02-A** Minor S/D for Robert D. Jensen Jr. in Section 22 Washington Township. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2022-08-02-A

WHEREAS Robert D. Jensen Jr. has presented a preliminary and final plat (of survey) on the following described property:

DESCRIPTION - LOT E:

A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (SE 1/4 NW 1/4) OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 91 NORTH, RANGE 37 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., BUENA VISTA COUNTY, IOWA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

Commencing at the Northeast (NE) corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SE ¼ NW ¼) of said Section 22; Thence on a previously recorded bearing of South 00° 22' 44" West, along the East line of said Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4), 450.00 feet to the South line of Lot D in said Section 22, being also the Point of Beginning. Thence North 89° 50' 45" West, along said South line, 729.96 feet to the West line of said Lot D; Thence North 01° 17' 36" East, along said West line 450.00 feet to the North line of the South Half of the Northwest Quarter(S ½ NW ¼) ; Thence North 89° 50' 45" West, along said North line, 160.09 feet; Thence South 00° 17' 36" West, 520.00 feet; Thence South 89° 50' 45" East, 889.95 feet to the East line of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼); Thence North 00° 22' 44" East, along said East line, 70.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Hereafter known as Lot E, in Section 22, Township 91 North, Range 37 West of the 5th P.M., Buena Vista County, Iowa.

Tract contains 3.08 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:

A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (SE 1/4 NW 1/4) OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 91 NORTH, RANGE 37 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., BUENA VISTA COUNTY, IOWA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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Hereafter known as Lot E, in Section 22, Township 91 North, Range 37 West of the 5th P.M., Buena Vista County, Iowa. is hereby accepted subject to the following if any; **None**

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

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, and copies of said final plats shall be of record in the appropriate County offices.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of August, 2022.

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

Env Health/Zoning Director Kim Johnson informed the Board that she has received the draft permit for **Blue Jay Farms 1, LLC**.

Hear the Public: Steve Tate stopped in to voice his concerns about the dust control problem by the Platinum Crush site. Tate understood that the county took over oiling the road, but only did it once. Chairman Merten and Engineer Bret Wilkinson informed Tate that that the product is not available until August 10 and stated they had been discussing this subject before Tate arrived. Tate asked if there would be extensions installed on the culvert on 70th Ave. south of 600th Street. Engineer Wilkinson stated that there would be extensions placed.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Altena, to approve the **minutes** of 7/26/22, as presented, today's **claims approval list and stamped warrant report**, and the following **reports:** May Board of Health minutes, FY'21 County Audit Report, and June 22 & June 30 Rolling Hills Community Services Region Governance Board minutes. Carried.

Motion by Snyder, second by Ringgenberg, to approve the County Attorney's **appointment of Rebecca P. Kern**, as Assistant County Attorney, beginning July 25, 2022. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Altena, to authorize all of the supervisors to sign the **Anti-Human Trafficking Proclamation**, taking a stand against human trafficking in Buena Vista County by joining Iowa Businesses Against Trafficking, a statewide initiative by the Iowa Secretary of State's Office which encourages businesses, agencies, and other entities to Learn Something and Do Something to help end Human Trafficking in Iowa. Carried.

Motion by Huseman, second by Snyder, to authorize the Auditor to dispose of the **2020 General Election ballots and papers**, after September 2, 2022, and to notify the Party Chairs of when the shredding will happen. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Huseman, to set a public hearing for a FY'23 BV County **budget amendment**, for August 20, at 9:00 a.m. Carried.

Auditor Susan Lloyd asked the Board to consider moving the **Auditor/Elections Department** to another location, where the machines, cages, and supplies could be stored, and it would be easier and safer to load the cages and transport them to the precincts prior to Election Day. Auditor Lloyd stated that the Color-ize building would be a perfect location for the election equipment, cages, and supplies, and has a driveway that would make it ideal for loading on to the trailer for distribution to the precincts. Lloyd stated that if the whole Auditor's Office moved to the new location, along with the voting equipment, it would open up several areas in the Courthouse for other departments to expand, and it would remove all voting away from the Courthouse, allowing the Courthouse to be secure and locked on election night. Lloyd stated that by moving voting to the new building, it is handicap accessible, all on ground level, and there would not be

as much walking for the voters as there is currently with voting in the courthouse basement. Supervisor Snyder stated he was in favor of purchasing the Color-ize building. Merten suggested that I.T. Director Tyler Van Houten go look at the Color-ize building, to see the existing wiring for servers, and if he can get fiber run to the building. The consensus of the Board was to have Lloyd contact the owner of the building to see if they could have two weeks to research this request further, before a decision is made. Merten commented that the request should be brought to the facilities committee, for their thoughts on this request.

There being no further business, motion by Snyder, second by Huseman, to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. until Thursday, August 11 at 8:30 a.m. for a special meeting.