

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
FIFTY-SECOND MEETING, 2022 SESSION (52)
NOVEMBER 29, 2022**

The Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors met in special session on Tuesday, November 29, 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 Deputy Auditor Sharon Henkel 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 amend **today's agenda**, adding discussion and action item for the purchase of the LeeBoy/Rosco RA400 Patcher for Secondary Roads. Carried.

County Engineer Bret Wilkinson presented the Resolution for the Bluebird Bridge project north of Linn Grove. Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Huseman to approve and authorize the Board to sign **Resolution #2022-11-29-A** & accept the bid from Dixon Construction on Project BRS-SWAP-CO11(100)--FF-11 Replacement of the bridge at Bluebird Creek on M36 north of Linn Grove. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2022-11-29-A

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as "the Board", believes the BRS-SWAP-CO11(100—FF-11, hereafter referred to as "the project" is in the best interest of Buena Vista County, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as Replacement of the bridge at Bluebird Creek on M36 north of Linn Grove; and

WHEREAS, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and

WHEREAS, The Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Buena Vista County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by Board to accept the bid from Dixon Construction in the amount of \$919,508.10 and awards the associated contract(s) to the same;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of The Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Buena Vista County, Iowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, Bret R. Wilkinson, the County Engineer for Buena Vista County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

Dated at Buena Vista County, Iowa, this 29th day of November 2022.

Board of Supervisors of Buena Vista County, Iowa

Ayes: Merten, Ringgenberg, Snyder, Altena, Huseman

ATTEST: None.

/s/ Paul Merten, Chair, Board of Supervisors..... /s/ Sharon Henkel, 1st Deputy County Auditor

Motion by Altena, second by Ringgenberg, to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the **Winter Maintenance Agreements** with the City of Linn Grove. Carried.

Secondary Road Report: Been blading during the nice weather. This morning already out sanding and salting hard surface roads with plowing later today with the snow coming in. Plan for the Linn Grove River Bridge project is still December 12. Three legs of the Hwy 7 and 90th Ave intersection are now open for thru traffic. South of Hwy 7 on to 110 remains closed.

Wilkinson explained how the LeeBoy/Rosco RA400 Patcher works. The piece will operate with only a single person vs the usual six-person crew. Motion by Snyder, second by Ringgenberg to approve the engineer to purchase the **2016 LeeBoy/Rosco Patcher** for \$145,000 with delivery included in the price. Carried.

Motion by Snyder, second by Huseman, to approve Sheriff's deputies Rodriguez with sixteen float hours and Beckman with twenty-four **float hours to be extended until March 1, 2023**, as they have been unable to use prior to the end of the year due to ILEA. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Snyder, to declare the former squad car, 2015 Ford Taurus, **excess property** and authorize the sheriff to dispose of it. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Huseman, to declare B & W trailer, 22 computer towers, 14 laptops, and monitors and printers as **excess property** and allow the Sheriff to dispose of all the items. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Altena, to approve the **minutes** of 11/22/22, as presented, and the following **reports:** NWIPDC Policy Council meeting minutes October 2022, NW IA YES Center meeting minutes October. Carried.

Motion by Snyder, second by Huseman, to approve the current listing of **Family Farm Applications** as required by code. Carried.

Shelly Sindt, CEO of **Elderbridge Agency**, virtually presented the agency's annual report. Elderbridge supports the aging population in BV County and is mandated by the Older Americans Act which is also there primary funding source. Elderbridge has also used ARPA funds subsidy in which required to make a 25% match to those federal dollars. There has been an increase in requests from the elderly since COVID due to social isolation. There primary group served is the lower income seniors. They are asking for \$3.10 per senior in county support for the FY'24 budget allocation for a total of \$13,277. They have currently 4,283 seniors in need. Sindt thanked the board for past and future support to the seniors of our county.

Altena left the meeting at 10:27 a.m.

Conservation Director/Weed Commissioner Greg Johnson presented his department updates.

Trout has been stocked at Gabrielson park, bait shop and camping are closed for the season. Park Maintenance employee Reese will be retiring at the first of the new year after 35 years of service. Oxbow restoration project is on hold. Working on FEMA appeal. Destination Iowa Grant was discussed, and it was the supervisor's consensus to have him go ahead and submit the grant application to see what we score and if qualifying, what we would receive.

There being no further business, motion by Ringgenberg, second by Huseman, to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 a.m. until Tuesday, December 6 at 8:30 a.m. for a regular meeting. Carried.