

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
TWENTY-FIFTH MEETING, 2023 SESSION (25)
JUNE 13, 2023**

The Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors met in special session on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 8:30 A.M. in the Boardroom with Chairman Snyder presiding, and the following other members present: Croker, Altena, Merten, Ringgenberg, and with Election Deputy Karla Ahrendsen as clerk for the meeting. Absent: None.

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

Motion by Croker, seconded by Altena, to approve today's **agenda**. Carried.

Motion by Croker, second by Ringgenberg, to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the **utility permit** Lumen (Century Link) of West Des Moines, IA to plow to place 1020' fiber optic cable and new pedestal in DOT ROW along 130th Ave & 630th St, Section 24, Township 90N. Carried.

Motion by Merten, second by Ringgenberg, to approve the Chair to sign the **fuel contract** with Growmark FS, for FY'24 for Secondary Road. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Croker, to approve the hiring of Zachary Weier as an **Equipment Operator I**, effective June 26, 2023, at a rate of \$27.65, which is \$2.00 under the Operator I rate, with increases at 6-month reviews for the first two years, and eligible for any raises given by the Board of Supervisors. Carried.

Secondary Road Report: Wilkinson told the Board that the guys are still working on crossroad culvert replacements, mowing, and tiling. He said that they are still working on the decking of the Linn Grove bridge with the pour date still set for the last week of June. They are thinking of pouring it through the night to help with the curing process. The third pour has been completed on the culvert for Blue Bird Creek and hopefully will get the last one done either the end of the week or first of next and then start on back filling. They are working on buying ROW on 70th Ave.

Hear the Public: There was no response from anyone requesting to speak virtually. Treasurer Danelle Haberman stopped in to tell the Board that all but .36% of taxes have been collected for this year and to remind them that the tax sale is June 19, 2023, online.

Motion by Croker, second by Altena, to approve the **minutes** of 06/06/2023, as presented and accept the following **reports:** Western Iowa Tourism Annual Report, Amended May Sheriff's Report of Federal Inmate Billings, April BV County Landfill minutes. Carried.

Motion by Merten, second by Altena, to approve the renewal of **TASC** for COBRA administration and the EBS **-Employer Benefit Systems** renewal forms for the FY24 Plan year. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Merten, to authorize the Auditor to **void and reissue check** #317504 to Lee Township, dated 10/11/2022 for \$153.95. Carried.

Motion by Merten second by Croker to **transfer** \$680 from the General Basic Fund to Conservation Land Acquisition Trust Fund (CLAT) for the FY'22 boat title fees. Carried.

Motion by Merten, second by Ringgenberg, to authorize the Auditor to **transfer** \$337,695.31 from the Capital Projects Fund 1545 to General Basic, reimbursing the fund for the purchase of the former Colorize building. Carried.

Motion by Croker, second by Ringgenberg, to **table** the **FY'22 Management Representation letter** for the auditing firm. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Merten, to accept and authorize the Chair to sign the **Family Crisis Center amended contract for FY'23 and new contract for FY'24**. Carried.

Michael Pertzborn II with Stille, Pierce & Pertzborn Insurance Services, reviewed the ICAP renewal documents, for FY'24. He stated that they are seeing an increase across the board and that some companies are pulling out of certain areas. He also presented the Board with an option to increase the Umbrella Liability coverage at this time to \$1,100 for each \$1 million. He also told the Board to be prepared for next year, we might see a large increase in our workman's compensation renewal due to the large amount of claims that have happened this year. After a brief discussion on the increased liability coverage, motion by Ringgenberg, second by Merten, to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the **ICAP insurance renewal** document, for FY'24 with a \$1 million addition to the Umbrella Liability Coverage raising it to \$11,000,000. Ayes: Altena, Croker, Ringgenberg, Snyder. Nays: Merten. Motion carried.

Maintenance of County property: Merten said he had been contacted by a landowner out in the Casino Beach area that was questioning who owned the property with a couple dead trees on it. Merten explained that after some research he feels that it is county owned property. Croker suggested that more research is needed because of a lawsuit in that area that may have set precedence out in that area. The Board advised Wilkinson and Johnson to investigate further and report back to the board.

There being no further business, motion by Merten, second by Ringgenberg, to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 a.m. until Tuesday, June 20 at 8:30 a.m. for a regular meeting.