

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
THIRTY-THIRD MEETING, 2024 SESSION (33)
JULY 30, 2024**

The Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, July 30, 2024, at 8:30 A.M. in the Boardroom with Vice-Chairman Merten presiding, and the following other members present: Croker, Hartman, Snyder (virtually), and with Auditor Susan Lloyd as clerk for the meeting. Absent: Ringgenberg.

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

Motion by Croker, second by Hartman, to approve **today's agenda**. Carried.

Secondary Road Report: The crew is working on culverts, and the one on M31 north of C25 is open to traffic. The crew will move south to work on the single culvert. They have tried to have the patching truck out. Two of the three bridge abutment repairs are done and will open on Thursday. They hope to have the last abutment repair done soon. The contractor that was approved for the six abutment repairs will start soon. Engineer Bret Wilkinson stated that Calhoun-Burns has done the bridge inspections in the county. Wilkinson stated that the motor graders will work on rumble strips and potholes this week. Wilkinson informed the Board that they are starting to move stuff from the old Alta Shed to their new shed. Croker asked Wilkinson who wanted the building, to which Wilkinson replied that EMA and the Sheriff have made comments that they could use the building. Croker stated that she does not want the building promised to anyone until they know who all is interested in the building and stated that it should go before the Facilities Committee to make a recommendation. Wilkinson stated that the Phase 1 Project, the 2.6 miles of 70th Ave. and 600th St., is out for bids. Wilkinson state that there will be a pre-bid meeting August 7 at the Engineer's Office, with bids due by August 22 at 3:00 p.m., and then the August 27th Board agenda will include awarding the project, after DOT concurs with the low bidder, due to RISE funding. Wilkinson stated that the DOT final review was done last week, so that was able to send the bid documents out. Wilkinson stated that once he has the right-of-way on Phase 2, then he can send out documents on that project, as it is all local funds.

Engineer Bret Wilkinson stated that **Allete Clean Energy** has a large utility permit, of several miles, for new wind towers. Wilkinson informed the Board that conversations need to be had as to whether the county has any concerns about having Allete going under roads, or if they need be remain above ground. Croker asked if the old towers would be removed, along with their base. Wilkinson stated that everything down to 4' below ground will be removed. All the existing towers are to be replaced in 2026, which will affect the valuation report 1/1/2027.

Treasurer Danelle Haberman presented the Semi-Annual report ending 6/30/2024, for the Board to approve before publishing in the papers. Haberman informed the Board of some corrections that were made in July, as it was too late to fix them in FY'24. Motion by Croker, second by Hartman, to approve the **Semi-Annual report** as presented and for the Vice-Chair to sign the report. Carried.

Vice-Chairman Merten asked if there was anyone online that wished to be heard during **Hear the Public**, with no response. Treasurer Danelle Haberman informed the Board of how the Motor Vehicle Department has been affected by the Holzhauer Motor issue, and that they are unable to take any checks from them or issue titles for vehicles, due to Holzhauer's bank accounts being frozen and the issues with their inventory. Haberman also informed the Board that due to the flooding in Clay County, and the

Governor's Proclamations, counties were issuing duplicate titles, registrations, and drivers licenses, free of charge for those that lost their documents in the flood.

Snyder left the meeting (virtually) at 9:54 a.m.

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

Motion by Croker, second by Hartman, to approve the **minutes** from 7/23/2024 as corrected, today's **claims approval list, stamped warrant register, and Auxiant disbursements**, and accept the following **reports**: June Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center Commission minutes, July Central IA Juvenile Detention Center Executive Committee minutes, June NW IA YES Center minutes, and Recorder's Quarterly Report 06/30/24. Carried.

There being no further business, motion by Hartman, second by Croker, to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 a.m. until Tuesday, August 6 at 8:30 a.m. for a special session.