

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
THIRTIETH MEETING, 2025 SESSION (30)
JULY 15, 2025**

The Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 8:30 A.M. in the Boardroom with Chairman Merten presiding and the following other members present Croker, Hartman, Ringgenberg, Snyder, and with Auditor Susan Lloyd 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, Hartman, Merten, Ringgenberg, Snyder. Nays: none. Abstentions: none.

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

Platinum Crush Road Update: Phase 2: MidAmerican sent a red-lined copy of the right-of-way easements showing some legal verbiage changes. Engineer Bret Wilkinson stated that he forwarded the document to Assistant County Attorney Ashley Herrig, for her to review. Wilkinson stated that once Herrig agrees with the verbiage of the easements, then the county can move forward with the bid letting. Phase 3: On July 30, the IDOT will be having a meeting on the preliminary plans for the Hwy 7 intersections at 70th Ave. and 80th Ave, including the road between them.

Secondary Roads Report: They have been working on some tile repairs, driveways, crossroad culverts, and edge rutting. Wilkinson stated that they helped close M27 on Monday, due to a crash that happened. Wilkinson stated that the pavers will move to C49 either tomorrow afternoon or Thursday.

Chairman Merten asked if there was anyone online that wished to be heard during **Hear the Public** and there was none.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Hartman, to approve the **minutes** of 7/1/2025 as presented, today's **claims approval list, (changing the vendor from Alexander Hamilton Institute to Alliant Energy for Secondary Road), stamped warrant list, and Auxiant disbursements,** and accepting the following **reports:** June Conservation Board minutes and June BV County Solid Waste Agency minutes. Carried.

A request was sent by Pocahontas County Auditor asking if the Board of Supervisors would be interested in an MOU for paying invoices, under a set dollar amount, on joint drainage districts. Motion by Croker, second by Snyder, to continue paying **joint drainage district invoices** as it currently is being done, only paying after both Boards have approved the invoice, and not considering an MOU at this time. Carried.

Motion by Croker, second by Ringgenberg, to approve the Chairperson to sign the **HUB Actuarial Services Agreement**. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Croker, to approve the amended invoice for three of the BV County and Joint County Drainage Districts, sprayed by B&W Control Specialists for the **2024 Woody Vegetation Spray Treatment: DD #34 Lat 3 OD** (\$1,419.90), **DD #49** (\$833.10), and **JT DD #183 BV, POC, MOD** (\$1,541.55). Carried.

Drainage Clerk Lynnette Jacobs presented to the Board some joint drainage districts that Sac County is "control" of, that have negative fund balances, along with proposed levy amounts, including a maintenance fund for each district. BV, Sac and Calhoun County Boards were not able to have a joint conference call, so each county will be approving the same levies at their respective meetings. Motion by

Croker, second by Hartman, to approve a levy of 1465% on Jt. DD #19-26 Main Tile, with a 10-year waiver. Carried. Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Snyder, to approve a levy of 104% on Jt. DD #19-26 MOD, with no waiver. Carried. Motion by Snyder, second by Croker, to approve a levy of 34% on Jt. DD #19-26 Lat 4, with no waiver. Carried. Motion by Snyder, second by Hartman, to approve a levy of 248% on Jt. DD #16-30-92 MOD with no waiver. Carried. Motion by Hartman, second by Croker, to approve a levy of 446% on Jt. DD #16-30-92 Sac Co. OD with no waiver. Carried. Motion by Snyder, second by Croker, to approve a levy of 31% on Jt. DD #16-30-92 Sac Tile Branch with no waiver. Carried.

There being no further business, motion by Ringgenberg, second by Croker, to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 a.m. until Tuesday, July 29 at 8:30 a.m. for a regular session. (no meeting is planned for July 22)