

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
FORTIETH MEETING, 2025 SESSION (40)
SEPTEMBER 30, 2025**

The Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors met in special session on Tuesday, September 30, 2025, at 8:30 A.M. in the Boardroom with Vice-Chairperson Croker presiding and the following other members present Hartman, Ringgenberg, Snyder, and with Auditor Susan Lloyd as clerk for the meeting. Absent: Merten.

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

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

Engineer Bret Wilkinson requested that the Board allow him to purchase brine tanks for the existing tandem trucks. Wilkinson stated that there is \$200,000 in the budget for these. Wilkinson stated that he would like to purchase 2-3 brine tanks this year, to test them, and decide whether to purchase more kits for the rest of the fleet. The cost is \$8,860 per truck, if Secondary Roads installs them. Motion by Snyder, second by Ringgenberg, to approve and authorize the County Engineer to purchase three **brine tanks** and have the Secondary Roads crew installing them. Carried.

Platinum Crush Road Project Update: Engineer Wilkinson stated that he is working on the final payment for Phase 1 of the project. The pre-construction meeting for Phase 2 will hopefully be set by the end of the week. Wilkinson anticipates the contractor to begin Phase 2 soon. Wilkinson stated that DOT onsite meeting will be tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. Wilkinson informed the Board that he was going to meet with Platinum Crush representatives today at 11:00 to discuss the issues of a lot of trucks parking on 70th Ave. causing issues. Platinum Crush has only been using two of the four stagings.

Secondary Roads Report: The crew has been finishing local graveling. Wilkinson stated that the crew has a couple miles of contractor miles yet to do and then they will be spot rocking. Crews have also been working on tile repairs, installing driveways, mowing, and will be working on spraying trees.

Vice-Chairperson Croker asked if there was anyone online that wished to be heard during **Hear the Public**. Bev McGriff was online and asked whether the Board has updated right-of-way for roads and bridges regarding the Co2 pipeline, and if they have not, she urges the county to look at it.

Heidi Kuhl, Northland Securities reviewed the **Preliminary Official Statement** on the Phase 2 borrowing. Kuhl stated that this Preliminary Official Statement is not finalized until bonds are sold. Snyder questioned whether to add a 10% contingency rather than the 7% that was in the Statement. Engineer Bret Wilkinson stated that the Phase 2 project won't be dealing with the railroad or the DOT. Kuhl stated that adding another 3% contingency would be borrowing another \$37,000. The consensus of the Board was to add the additional contingency, from 7% to 10%. Kuhl mentioned that next week they will be locking in the amount of the bonds and the interest rate. Kuhl also mentioned that insurance could be purchased, like what was done in 2022, which would add more buyers and has a lower interest rate. Chairman Merten called in to see how the bond discussion was going and said that he was okay with going with a 10% contingency. Board Member Snyder introduced the following resolution entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING DISTRIBUTION OF PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT" and moved that the resolution be adopted. Board Member Hartman seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called, and the vote was, Ayes: Croker, Hartman, Ringgenberg, Snyder. Nays: None. Whereupon, the Vice-Chairperson declared the resolution duly adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION #2025-09-30-A
RESOLUTION APPROVING DISTRIBUTION OF PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT

WHEREAS, in conjunction with its Underwriter, Northland Securities, Inc., the County has caused an Official Statement to be prepared outlining the details of the proposed sale of the Notes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BUENA VISTA COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA:

That the preliminary Official Statement in the form presented to this meeting be and the same hereby is approved as to form and deemed final for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, subject to such revisions, corrections or modifications as the Chairperson and Auditor, upon the advice of bond counsel and the County's Underwriter, shall determine to be appropriate, and is authorized to be distributed in connection with the offering of the Notes for sale.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 30th Day of September, 2025.

/s/ Kathy Croker, Vice-ChairpersonAttest: Susan K. Lloyd, County Auditor

J. D. Myers, Summit Pipeline presented an update of the CO2 pipeline. Myers stated that they have a landowner community partner program. Myers mentioned the emergency plans, 60,000 Grant and training, and they work with fire departments. Myers stated that there would be open Houses in November, with Cherokee open house being November 11.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Hartman, to approve the minutes of 9/23/2025 as corrected, and accepting the following reports: FY'25 REAP Report and NWIPDC June minutes. Carried.

Motion by Snyder , second by Hartman, to approve and authorize the Auditor to write a check for \$18,815.54 from Early Childhood to Three County Empowerment, to close out the Treasurer's balance of the fund. Carried.

There being no further business, motion by Ringgenberg, second by Snyder, to adjourn the meeting at 10:06 a.m. until Tuesday, October 7 at 8:30 a.m. for a regular session. Carried.