

MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON SEPTEMBER 29, 2020.

With limited public access to the courthouse due to COVID-19, this meeting was held telephonically with the public able to participate on a limited basis. This complies with Iowa Code section 21.8 that outlines the guidelines to hold an electronic meeting when there are valid concerns that an in-person meeting is “impossible or impractical”.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Tom Heidenwirth with members Greg Barnett and Rusty Eddy present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to approve. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public comment was a call to Supervisor Eddy from a concerned citizen that 290th and Hickory Avenue has large trees in the NE corner that are potentially dangerous. Engineer John Riherd will take a look at the area. John Zimmerman, Greene, wondered how we are coming along with the grants. Auditor Williams reported the County has received 2 grants, but did not qualify for the HAVACares. Center for Tech and City Life was a \$5,000 grant that has already been awarded.

Director of Public Health Jennifer Becker reported 10 new cases of COVID-19 since last Monday, 12 have recovered with no hospitalizations for a positivity rate of 4.3%. Emergency Management Coordinator Chris Showalter offered a recommendation to the Board to re-open to the public on normal business hours 7:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Monday thru Friday on October 1, 2020. Cloth masks are highly encouraged for the public and the employees when in the common areas (hallways) of the Courthouse which includes the Emergency Operations Center where the Board of Supervisors currently meet. Guidelines for those meetings remain the same. Social distancing markers will be placed on the floor in the Courthouse. Driver's License will remain by appointment only. Following discussion, it was moved by Barnett, second by Eddy to re-open Courthouse based on current recommendations by Public Health and Emergency Management. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Eddy, second by Heidenwirth to accept the recommendation of Planning and Zoning Administrator Misty Kroeze and appoint Roger Kregel, Dumont and Rosemary Willson, Shell Rock to the Planning and Zoning Commission. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to set October 13, 2020 at 9:15 A.M. as the date and time for a public hearing on Tellinghuisen's Minor Plat located in the SW¹/₄ SE¹/₄ of Section 11, Township 91N, Range 15W. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to set October 13, 2020 at 9:20 A.M. as the date and time for a public hearing on Schilling Minor Plat located in the NE¹/₄ of Section 27, Township 90N, Range 15W. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Barnett, second by Eddy to set October 13, 2020 at 9:25 A.M. as the date and time for a public hearing to consider an amendment to the Butler County Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Barnett, second by Eddy to set October 13, 2020 at 9:30 A.M. as the date and time for a public hearing on An application to rezone 237 acres +/- located in the N¹/₂ NW¹/₄, the SW¹/₄ NW¹/₄, the Nfr¹/₂ NEfr¹/₄, and the E¹/₂ SE¹/₄ NE¹/₄ all in Section 4, Township 91N, Range 15W from “A-1” Agriculture to “M” Manufacturing. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to approve soil testing on the County Farm. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to execute an agreement with Center for Tech and Civic Life for \$5,000 in grant funds for election administration. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Eddy, second by Barnett to accept the recommendation of Engineer John Riherd and approve a Utility Permit for Rockwell Cooperative Telephone Association for Fiber install in Bristow and Aredale exchanges. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to approve Iowa DOT Agreement NO. 2-20-HBP-SWAP-058 for Bridge replacement Birch Avenue and 180th Street. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to approve Iowa DOT Agreement NO. 2-20-HBP-SWAP-058 for HMA Resurfacing on C55, from Hwy 14 east to T55. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board met with New Hartford City Clerk Shawna Hagen and Councilman Tim Woods to discuss stop signs placed in crosswalks by the city on County owned T55. Following discussion, it was moved by Eddy, second by Barnett to remove both of the signs until a study can be done. Board will review the recommendations and make a decision then. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to approve claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board acknowledged receipt of Manure Management Plan Annual Updates for Steve Schmidt; Allie; Packard Poultry, LLC; Retexe, LLC; Klingenberg Site; M & M Construction and RIG Bennezette.

Moved by Eddy, second by Barnett to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 A.M. to Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. Motion carried.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa on September 29, 2020.