

The Board of Supervisors convened in adjourned session, members present Chair Creston Schubert, Devlun Whiteing, and Raymond Drey.

Minutes of the meeting held August 15, 2023, were read and approved.

Drey moved and Whiteing seconded to approve reimbursement for Rachel Burns, Medical Examiner/Investigator to attend the Iowa CME Fall training, with approximate cost of \$500. Motion carried, all voted Aye.

Effective 8/28/2023, the Treasurer's Office hired Brandi Endrulat as a DL/MV employee at \$35,100 per year with increases upon completion of required certifications. Whiteing moved and Drey seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voted Aye.

Jailer, Zachariah Brown's resignation letter was moved to be accepted effective 8/23/2023 by Drey, seconded by Whiteing. Motion carried, all voted Aye. The termination of Sara Olerich as dispatcher was accepted on a motion by Whiteing and seconded by Drey. Motion carried, all voted Aye.

Drey moved to accept and approve the chair to sign Mid-Sioux's participation agreement. Second by Whiteing. Motion carried all voted Aye.

The Board reviewed and approved L & L Builders Change Order #25, joint sealing and painting of the west street and the east side Sheriff's parking lots in the amount of \$5,420.00. Drey so moved and Whiteing seconded the motion. Carried, all voted Aye.

Jathan Chicoine with the Home-Based Iowa program thanked the Board for passing a resolution regarding making Ida County Veteran friendly. He explained the importance of signage at major highway entrances to the county. Dale Ullrich, Veteran Affairs Director, states the Veteran's Affairs office would fund the purchase of 6 signs to be posted on Highways 20, 59 & 175. Chicoine recommends a creation of an incentive package such as relocation funds to help Veterans move to Ida County. Whiteing, as a member of the Ida County Economic Development, will share the information with them and request assist with this program. The Board will address Home-Based Iowa at a later meeting.

Jeff Williams, County Engineer, presented an update on M15, Jasper Ave. Williams shared that between the County, JEO (Architect/Inspectors) and Godbersen-Smith that they are currently negotiating the details about how the 2 month overdue project can get completed. Williams reported that micro-surfacing on L-67 has been delayed due to the product not being available until September 11, 2023. County right-of-way road concerns were also discussed.

Williams presented approval of payment to Godbersen-Smith Construction in the amount of \$1,113,231.88 for work on M15, services thru 08/12/2023. Williams assured the Board there is enough still owed to cover the overage penalties. Whiteing moved and Drey seconded to approve the payment. Motion carried, all voted Aye.

Williams presented the following County Right-of-Way Underground Construction Applications for approval. A motion by Whiteing and seconded by Drey for Evertek, Inc and a motion by Drey and seconded by Whiteing for Schaller Telephone were made. Motion carried on both, all voting Aye.

The Board, along with Josh Kleider - L&L Builders project supervisor, inspected the new South Parking lot where information on the striping, construction, and tentative plans for completing the area between the parking lot and the Courthouse were discussed. The next construction meeting will be on Thursday, August 31st at 9am where concerns can be addressed.

The Board and Engineer inspected the corner of Moorehead and 5th Streets to address the terrace erosion problem. It was agreed upon that the Road Department will repair the area.

Corey Trucke, Ida Co. Sheriff's Sergeant and EMS Director presented Resolution 23-32: Ordering a Special Election on Property Tax for Emergency Medical Service. Whiteing moved and Drey seconded the motion to approve and sign Resolution 23-32 Ordering The Proposition to be placed on the ballot with the City/School election on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 to read as follows: Shall the Ida County Board of Supervisors be authorized to impose an ad valorem property tax for the purpose of creation and maintenance of a stable revenue stream for its essential community EMS services, in the amount of \$.075 (seventy-five cents) per \$1,000 (One thousand dollars) of assessed value on all taxable property within the county to be used for funding of emergency medical services for a maximum period of 15 (fifteen) years? The Motion carried, all voting Aye. Details of Resolutions 23-32 are on file and may be reviewed in the Auditor's Office or on the idacounty.iowa.gov website.

Trucke reported to the Supervisor's that the EMS Advisory Board, at their first meeting held 8/17/2023, approved their Resolution 23-01. The Ida County Emergency Services Association is willing to fund a mailing to all county residents with information of the proposed proposition.

Trucke-Communications Center Supervisor, asked the Board to consider a potential hiring incentive to recruit ILEA certified dispatchers. After discussion, Auditor Folk was asked to contact Renee Von Bokern for guidance. Item was tabled.

A discussion was held regarding the attic and the bell tower of the bat removal and cleaning. Estimates from Steve's/Siouxland Pest Control for removal and Service Master's for cleaning and restoration will be obtained. Item was tabled.

The Board discussed the hiring of a structural engineer to assess the Old Courthouse Building for stability/soundness prior to beginning Phase II Renovation. Consultation with Architect by Design will be held and brought to the next meeting.

The Board acknowledged receipt of CTS - Compressive Strength of Cylindrical Specimen reports number 27, 28 & 29. Manure Management plans were received from: Eagle Hog Site #70313.

The Board approved claims to Benefit's Inc. for self-funding medical in the amounts of \$384.42 and \$4054.12.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned to meet again at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 12, 2023, or on call of the Chair.

/s/ Charlys A. Folk
Auditor

/s/ Creston Schubert
Chair