

TIPTON, IOWA

January 17, 2023

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. January 17, 2023 with the following members present: Bixler, Gaul, Barnhart, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Bell. Members of the public were also present.

The Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence from:
EMA Director Freet Notice of New Hire Melinda Beekman, Office Coordinator with a start date of 1/23/2023 and wage of \$17.44/hour.

Manure Management Annual Updates submitted by:
PJ Farms Inc Site 2 #69272 for a site at 1982 250th St., Bennett.
Del DeWulf #64273 for a site at 1540 Washington Ave., Bennett.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on 1/13/2023 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #433728 for \$3,637.81-self funded medical claims.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve the agenda.
Ayes: All

Chairperson Bell presented a 10-year service award to Jeff Kaufmann and a 5-year service award to Jody Freet.

Chairperson Bell addressed the public for comments. There were none.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve the Board Minutes of January 10, 2023.
Ayes: All
Abstain: Kaufmann

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bell to approve Payroll Disbursements #192199-192341 for the period ending 1/7/23 and to be paid on 1/13/23.
Ayes: All

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Gaul FY2022 Cost Allocation
Ayes: All

Discussion was held on Board Committee Appointments. Final decisions will be made on January 31, 2023.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve change order for 911 network design.
Ayes: All

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve frequency request letter.
Ayes: All

At 8:45 a.m. a public hearing was held for Gloria A. Hunt, 509 Kaitlyn Ave., Anamosa, IA (owner), Requests to vacate a Plat of Survey for the purpose of providing a correct legal description of unsold property located on Amended Parcel "G" dated October 5, 2016 and recorded in Book J at Page 217, described as part of the NE 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 18, T-79, R-2W. E&Z Director LaRue said there is no written or verbal objections on file.

Moved by Sup; Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Barnhart to approve request to vacate a Plat of Survey for the purpose of providing a correct legal description of unsold property located on Amended Parcel "G" dated October 5, 2016 and recorded in Book J at Page 217, described as part of the NE 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 18, T-79, R-2W and to waive seconded hearing.
Ayes: All

Keith Whitlatch met with the Board to request financial support from the Board for the Old County Jail. Those in attendance were Fritz Drexler, Daisy Wingert and Jim Jorgensen. Whitlatch proposed financial support for FY2023 and annual support thereafter. Whitlatch also would like a Board member to become a Board member for The Old Cedar County Jail/Museum. Jorgensen reviewed the operating statement with the Board. Discussion was held. No decisions were made.

Conservation Director Dauber met with the Board for the FY23/24 budget review. No decisions were made.

Engineer Fangmann met with the Board for the FY23/24 budget review. Fangmann provided a handout detailing expenditures and revenues for FY24. No decisions were made.

Auditor Wiese met with the Board for the FY23/24 budget review for the Human Resource, County 911 Coordinator, Social Services, District Court, Substance Abuse, Courthouse, Data Processing, Auditor, GIS, and Non-Departmental budgets. Auditor Wiese provided the Board with ending fund balance worksheets and discussion was held. No decisions were made.

Auditor Wiese presented the Board with a job description and a salary survey for a Budget Director. Wiese stated as of June 30, 2023 she will no longer be doing budget/finance work for the County. Brief discussion was held and will be placed on the agenda for next week.


The Board recessed for five minutes and moved to the large meeting room for pipeline discussion.

Chris Riley-ADM, Patrick Brierley-Wolf Carbon Solutions US, Tracey McDaneld- Wolf Carbon Solutions US and Clay Goar- Wolf Carbon Solutions US met with the Board to discuss Carbon Pipeline. In attendance was Mike Stolte, Bill Ellsion, Lois Paverka, Wendell Wanek, Sheriff Wethington, Doug Schroeder, Jerry Goldsmith, John Tholen, Kathy Tholen, Auditor Wiese, Treasurer Delaney, Deputy Koranda, Sue Hall, EMA Director Freet, Public Health Manager Foor, Rowdy Templer, Jessica Wiskus, Lisa Direks, David Wiskus, Carol Daly, Mike Daly, Nelson Baethke, Marilee Feldman, Daniel Kohl, Kathy Hall, Penny, Andy McCollem, Laura Twing and Recorder Bahnsen. Riley, Brierley and McDaneld gave an introduction and reviewed the project schedule. Sup. Kaufmann asked if the legislators have a bill that puts voluntary compliance at 90-95% will ADM and Wolf not register against the bill? Riley stated ADM would not register against the bill and Brierley also stated Wolf Carbon Solutions would not register against the bill. Sup. Kaufmann asked if there was a bill that significantly increased sight distances away from a home or school would ADM or Wolf oppose that bill. Brierley stated Wolf would oppose that bill. Sup. Kaufmann asked if Wolf would be doing this pipeline without the tax credits. Brierley stated no they wouldn't be doing it without the tax credits. Sup. Bell asked how does the Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) factor in. Riley stated currently sequester CO2 experience and low carbon fuel standards with ways to reduce Carbon Intensity (CI) score. Sup. Barnhart asked about top soiling requirements. McDaneld stated in the state of Iowa the Department of Ag has a comprehensive mitigation agreement. Sup. Bixler asked how deep the pipeline would be. Brierley stated 5ft from the top of the pipe minimum. EMA Freet voiced her concerns with emergency response training and currently ADM isn't involved with training and how do they plan to work with us in the future. Riley made a commitment that ADM will begin attending the meetings/trainings. Wethington said there will be no way 95% of people will go along with this Carbon Pipeline and when people begin parking semis, tractors and other things right in the way he will not be helping out to get them to move. General discussion was held with the public.

The Board returned to the Boardroom.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to adjourn at 12:33 p.m., to January 24, 2023.

Ayes: All


Stephanie Wiese, Auditor


Jon Bell, Chairperson