

TIPTON, IOWA

January 14, 2025

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. January 14, 2025 with the following members present: Bixler, Barnhart, Gaul, and Chairperson Bell. Kaufmann was absent. Members of the public were also present.

The Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence from:
Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue regarding Wind Turbine site soil sample results.
Chief Deputy Knoche Notice of Transfer for Tyler Scott from Jail to Deputy Sheriff effective January 20, 2025.

Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue regarding Caitlin Boyle, Administrative Assistant completion of her six-month employment effective 1/15/2025.

Manure Management Annual Updates submitted by:
Del DeWulf #64273 for a site at 1540 Washington Avenue, Bennett.
Samuelson and Son #59702 for a site at 1693 270th Street, Tipton.
PJ Farms Inc. Site 2 #69727 for a site at 1982 250th Street, Bennett.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on 1/10/2025 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #441115 for \$32,484-self funded medical claims.

Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Barnhart to approve the agenda.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

Chairperson Bell addressed the public for comments. HIPAA Compliance Officer Tischuk explained she had two VPN access requests that need to be acted upon one due to the Auditor attending meetings this week.

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve to amend the agenda to include action on VPN access for Assistant Assessor Wiese and Auditor Welch.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve VPN access for Assistant Assessor Wiese and Auditor Welch.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve the Board Minutes of January 7, 2025.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Barnhart to approve Payroll Disbursements #200085-200222 for the period ending 1/4/25 and to be paid on 1/10/25.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

Sheriff Wethington, Chief Deputy Knoche and Chief Deputy Koranda met with the Board for a FY 25/26 budget review. Discussion was held. No decisions were made.

Public Health Director Wagaman met with the Board for a FY 25/26 budget review. Discussion was held. No decisions were made.

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Bixler to reappoint Rick Sawyer and James Rohlf to the Airport Zoning Board for six-year terms, Todd Pruess to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for

a five-year term and Steve Agne appointed to Pioneer Cemetery Commission to fulfill a vacant term.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

The Board recessed for ten minutes.

Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue met with the Board for a FY 25/26 budget review. Discussion was held. No decisions were made.

Veterans Affairs Officer Hamann met with the Board for a FY 25/26 budget review. Discussion was held. No decisions were made.

Engineer Fangmann met with the Board for his annual performance review. Fangmann requested a closed session.

Bixler left the Boardroom at 10:29 a.m.

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Gaul to go into closed session under Code section 21.5(1)(i) at 10:31 a.m.

Ayes: Gaul, Barnhart, Bell

Absent: Kaufmann and Bixler

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Gaul to go back into open session at 10:48 a.m.

Ayes: Gaul, Barnhart, Bell

Absent: Kaufmann and Bixler

Bixler returned to the Boardroom.

Head Custodian Gritton met with the Board to discuss various contracts. She reviewed the contract from Total Maintenance Inc., and the Board reached a consensus to budget for the five-year contract. She also reviewed the contract with Schumacher Elevator Company, and after County Attorney Blank reviewed it and made a few revisions, the Board agreed to budget for the contracted price. Additionally, Gritton reviewed the contract with Altorfer, Inc. regarding the generator, and the Board decided to budget for the 10-year Platinum Plan and service levels two and seven.

The Board recessed for ten minutes.

Jeff Steiert met with the Board via phone to discuss the hiring of an EMS Director. EMA Director Freet mentioned that she contacted Krucial Rapid Response to assist in the search for a candidate, with the company set to receive 18% of the EMS Director's first-year salary. Krucial Rapid Response has sent a contract to Freet, which she is currently working through with County Attorney Blank. Steiert expressed a positive outlook about using the company's services. Additionally, Freet noted that the hiring committee has an interview scheduled for Thursday with a candidate, and Krucial Rapid Response is aware of the interview.

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve the contract with Krucial Rapid Response subject to County Attorney Blank's final approval.

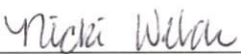
Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bixler to adjourn at 11:51 a.m., to January 21, 2025.

Ayes: All

Absent: Kaufmann



Nicki Welch, Auditor



Jon Bell, Chairperson