

Meeting #23

Clay County Board of Supervisor’s Minutes from Meeting 23 held on August 11, 2020

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment August 11 , 2020 at 8:30 a.m. in the boardroom with Chairperson Skelton presiding and with the following other members present: Supervisors Anderson, Matthews, Hamrick, Assistant County Attorney Barry Sackett, and Auditor Marjorie Pitts as clerk for the meeting. Absent: Randy Swanson. Chairperson Skelton led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance. Guests via conferencing: Joe Hopper, Ann and Glen Lohman, Steve Hansen, Todd Galbraith, Gannett Swan, Jessica George, Dan and Holly Willey.

Unless otherwise indicated, all of the motions offered at this meeting were carried with the following vote: Ayes: Anderson, Matthews, Hamrick, and Skelton. Nays: None. Abstentions: None.

Due to the protective measures taken by the Clay County Board of Supervisors from the COVID-19 Pandemic, public access to this Board Meeting was made available via Zoom by calling 1-312-626-6799, Meeting ID # 257-199-8941.

Motion by Matthews, seconded by Hamrick that the Board meeting agenda for August 11, 2020 be received and placed on file with the County Auditor as approved. Supervisor Anderson absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Hamrick, seconded by Matthews that the minutes of Board Meeting # 22 held July 28, 2020, as amended for verbiage corrections, are hereby approved as submitted. Supervisor Anderson absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Matthews, seconded by Hamrick to adopt the following resolution: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors approve expenditures and that the County Auditor be hereby authorized and directed to issue warrants, against the various settlement of such claims allowed August 11, 2020. Ayes: Hamrick, Matthews, Skelton. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: Supervisor Anderson. Resolution adopted.

Publication List by Vendor

A & M Laundry	Uniforms	210.32
Alliant Energy	Light & Power	367.80
Alpha Wireless Comm	Radio Equipment	3196.69
American Legion Post #1	Recreational Supplies	90.00
Arctic Ice Company	Food & Provisions	865.00
Arnold Motor Supply	Parts	42.21
Asher Motor Co	Lubricants	42.95
Aurelia Lumber Company	Construction	27.25
Axon Enterprise	Radio Equipment	696.00
Ayrshire Farmers Mutual	Telephone	29.68
Jim Barglof	Well Closure	500.00
Black Hills Energy	Natural & Lp Gas	72.30
Brianne Blom	Flex	45.00
Bound Tree Medical	Safety Supplies	76.33
Bud's Service	Tires & Tubes	415.83
C & B Operations	Parts	142.01
Campus Cleaners	Custodial Supplies	161.94
CenturyLink	Telephone	48.01
Cintas Corporation	Uniforms	40.00
Cintas Corp	Safety Supplies	99.06
City of Royal	Water & Sewer	52.50

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City of Spencer	Comm Center	41647.31
City of Webb	Water & Sewer	85.50
Clark Equipment Co	Construction	16055.76
Clay Co Emerg Mgt Agency	Allocation	15923.84
Clay County General Fund	Other Premiums	98.32
Clay Co Sec Road Fund	Fuels	1648.14
Audrey Coffman	Flex	96.00
Coffman's Locksmith	Construction	54.00
Cooperative Energy Company	Parts	21825.37
Crescent Electric Supply	Buildings	219.46
Crysteel Truck Equipment	Parts	109.00
Culligan of Spencer	Office Supplies	20.60
Daily Reporter	Publications	1079.85
Bradley Day	Flex	189.85
Debra M Mc Keever	Depositions	225.00
Decatur County Auditor	Medical & Health Services	2088.00
David Decker	Insurance	10.99
Del's Garden Center	Construction	64.50
Diamond Mowers	Parts	1081.41
Diamond Vogel	Parts	300.93
Discovery House	Allocation	1000.00
Dixon Construction Co	Roads	28026.20
Employee Benefit Systems	Emp Grp Health Ins	113.30
Evertex	Telephone	709.92
FASTENAL	Buildings	832.89
Fire Proof Plus	Safety Supplies	2417.00
FleetPride	Parts	13858.71
Foundation Analytical Lab	Safety Supplies	133.10
GW Pete Howe Sanitation	Sanitation & Disposal Ser	335.00
Gordon Flesch Company	Copier Contract	347.42
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Graham Tire Co	Tires & Tubes	270.58
Greg's Repair	Construction	4.00
Sherry Groenewold	Well Closure	500.00
Billy Gunnerson	Flex	31.35
John Hargens	Mileage	7.35
Robert Heronemus	Mileage	7.70
Hotsy Equipment Co	Tools	128.54
Carissa Huse	Flex	41.00
IA Dept of Justice	Forfeiture	200.00
Iowa Lakes Community College	Buildings - Rental	4306.88
IA Lakes Regional Water	Water & Sewer	625.69
IA Water Well Assoc	Dues & Memberships	150.00
IA Municipalities Workers	Workmens' Comp. Ins.	6532.00
J&T Rentals	Buildings - Rental	1500.00
Janitors Closet	Custodial Supplies	299.73
Jaycox Implement	Parts	2910.35
Jennifer Jensen	Custodial	954.00
Johnston Automotive	Parts	675.85
Kirkham Michael & Assoc	Roads	1410.00
Lexis Nexis	Subscription	899.52
Kevin Maassen	Insurance	90.79
Mar-Lin Business Supply	Office Supplies	48.27
Marcus News	Board Proceedings	1170.20
Janel Maurer	Mileage	33.95

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MaxYield Cooperative	Chemicals & Gasses-Herb.	87.75
Menards - Spencer	Buildings	674.19
Merryman Bridge Construction	Roads	89822.00
Midwest Technology Services	Telephone	187.50
Ryan Moran	Rent Payments	200.00
Kathryn Murphy	Employee Travel Expenses	34.88
North Central Int'l	Parts	441.09
Northwest Glass Co	Buildings	936.00
Northwest Iowa Sprinkler	Buildings	423.45
NW IA Youth Emergency Serv	Detention	1400.00
Premier Communications	Telephone	638.27
Quik Spot	Food & Provisions	174.23
Racom Corporation	Parts	234.00
Rainbow Bait	Recreational Supplies	70.00
Christopher Raveling	Flex	469.20
Royal Telephone Co	Telephone	30.00
Safety-Kleen Systems	Parts	200.00
Casey Schomaker	Mileage	14.70
Shimkat Motor	Construction	35409.00
Shred-It USA	Office Supplies	164.65
Michael Skonhovd	Food & Provisions	18.00
Snap On Tools Corp	Hand Tools	158.53
Alicia Snyder	Flex	49.99
Solutions	Data Processing	29038.37
Spencer Auto Parts	Parts	1954.20
Spencer Family Care	Office Supplies	96.00
Spencer Hospital	Medical & Health Services	668.13
SMU	Electric Light & Power	9942.13
Spencer Office Supplies	Office Supplies	172.76
Spencer Ready-Mix	Cover Aggregate/Sand/Mate	804.00
Star Energy	Fuels	168.52
Storey Kenworthy/Matt Parrott	Safety Supplies	3504.72
Stratford Gravel	Engineering Services	350052.25
Syn-Tech Systems	Fuels	825.00
Rhonda Taylor	Flex	250.00
Terril Telephone Coop	Telephone	8.03
Thrifty White Stores	Inmate Medical	132.81
Town & Country Disposal	Sanitation & Disposal	1885.27
Therese Trojahn	Supplies	27.95
US Cellular	Telephone	590.48
Van Diest Supply Co	Chemicals & Gasses-Herb.	11901.95
Vanguard Appraisals	Data Processing Serv.	2800.00
Verizon	Telephone	526.23
Walmart Community	Food & Provisions	757.22
Wells Fargo	Motor Vehicle	577.12
Jeffrey Wiemann	Flex	40.00
Windstream	Telephone	41.69
Woodbury County Sheriff	Legal & Ct-Related Serv.	30.00
Ziegler	Parts	6236.42
Grand Total		736118.85

Motion by Hamrick, seconded by Matthews to appoint Angela McCaulley, 205 East 19th Street, Spencer, Iowa, for Magistrate Appointing Commission for the remainder of the year ending December 31, 2020 to fill a vacancy. Absent: Supervisor Anderson. Motion carried.

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William Rabenberg – County Engineer

Motion by Hamrick, seconded by Matthews to approve quote for a new 2020 ½ ton pickup with hail damage from Shimkat Motor Co. out of Fort Dodge, IA for \$35,409.00. Absent: Supervisor Anderson. Motion carried.

Motion by Hamrick, seconded by Matthews to review and approve low quote of \$110,625 for 1500 tons of rock salt for the 2020-2021 season with the option to add additional tons from Blackstrap Inc of Neligh, NE. Absent: Supervisor Anderson. Motion carried.

Supervisor Anderson joins the meeting at 8:49 a.m.

Engineer Rabenberg presented information to the Board in support of a title distinction and wage adjustment for the Assistant County Engineer. Further discussion will take place during the annual budget reviews this fall. Rabenberg also gave the Board an update on the centerline road culvert on 335th Avenue in the Lost Island area. The Utility permit update related to Iowa Lakes Electric Coop installing an overhead line from 190th Avenue to 200th Avenue and an under road boring permit on 440th St.

9:15 a.m. Members of the Robert Swan family and sixteen (16) other persons gathered to speak with the Board regarding the Drainage District #37 repair/improvement project. Attendees included: Robert and Lynn Swan, Steve and Connie Swan, Jennifer Loudermilk, Kim Galbraith, Lynn Galbraith, Lee Schoenewe, Alan Metcalf, Dale Langner, Leonard Langner, John Metcalf, Dave Wyatt, Kirby Sampson, Leonard Langner, John and Mary Rahn, and Lanny Hansen. Attending via audio conference was Patricia Cohen, Ann and Glen Lohman, Steve Hansen, Todd Galbraith, Gannett Swan, Jessica George, and Dan and Holly Willey. Lynn Swan read a statement to the Board, Leonard Langner spoke representing his Mother Loretta Kendall, Lee Schoenewe spoke regarding the his appeal against the DNR permit, Robert Swan read a Landowner Objection Petition signed by nineteen (19) landowners in Drainage District #37 and stamped received by the Clay County Auditor. Others in attendance that spoke were John Metcalf, Dale Langner, and John Rahn.

9:30 a.m. William Horsley, County Conservation Director, gave the Board a departmental update and provided status information on the Oneota Environmental Learning Center (OELC) funding sources including grant applications, fund raising initiatives, and a loan. The Board and Director Horsley took up discussion about the possibility of changing the current percentage formula used to divide park rental revenue between the County's General fund and the Conservation Capital Improvement fund. It was the consensus of the Board to change the percentage if or when a loan application is necessary. Director Horsley also updated the Board on the grazing arrangement on the Heissel Park area that is going well.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Matthews to enter into closed session at 9:58 a.m. pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Supervisor Anderson, Matthew, Hamrick, and Skelton. Nays: None. Absent: Swanson. Motion carried.

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9: 45 a.m. Assistant County Attorney Barry Sackett gave the Board a departmental update from the civil division of the County Attorney's office.

10:00 a.m. Closed Session pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation.

Motion by Matthews, seconded by Hamrick to exit the closed session at 11:00 p.m. Ayes: Supervisor Anderson, Matthew, Hamrick, and Skelton. Nays: None. Absent: Swanson. Motion carried.

11:00 a.m. The Board met with Jeff Heil and Heidi Kuhl from Northland Securities, Inc. to discuss the Clay County Urban Renewal Plan amendment and proposed projects. Currently the urban renewal area includes seventy-six (76) wind turbines and a substation. Bond financing in 2020 will have an estimated interest cost of 1.35%. The evidential estimated value of the towers and substation is projected at \$278 million. Northland Securities will work with the County's bonding attorney Robert Josten to compile and finalize all board proceedings to accomplish the Urban Renewal Plan amendment and proposed financing.

It was the consensus of the Board to allow all full time Clay County employees to utilize a paid holiday day between September 1, 2020 and October 2, 2020 inclusively as the designated Clay County Fair Day.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hamrick to set the date and time for the fiscal year 2021 County Budget amendment public hearing to be 10:00 a.m. on August 25, 2020 at the Clay County Administration Building, 300 W. 4th St., Spencer, IA. Motion carried.

Motion by Matthews, seconded by Anderson to approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign the estimate of \$6,879.00 from Aronson Painting, Albert City, Iowa for painting at the Iowa Workforce Development (IWD) building. The estimate includes two coats of paint on 3,924 square feet of offices and 3,186 square feet of hallways, entry and five (5) doors. Motion carried.

Motion by Hamrick, seconded by Anderson to approve voiding prior fiscal year's warrant #184676 for \$175.00 to the Crawford County Assessor. Employee Heidi Chapman was unable to attend, as scheduled. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hamrick to approve the proposal from ISG of Storm Lake, IA for professional services related to the Governmental Services Center building reroofing project in the amount of \$11,200.00. Motion carried.

Clay County Auditor Real Estate Deputy Kris Toay presented the Board with the Fund Year 2021 Taxes Overview. The presentation included information related to rural and urban taxable valuations, taxable valuation by property class over the past five years, comparisons of property rollback factors by class, and the funding of State tax credits over the past five years. Deputy Toay also shared the amount of taxes raised for each city, school, area college, and township resulting from the taxable valuation multiplied by the levy rates. Toay summarized the reason for tax amount changes shown on property tax statements that would be sent to owners by the County Treasurer.

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Supervisors discuss/share information from committees and boards they have attended. Supervisor Matthews reported on the County Conservation Board meeting, the Airport Board meeting, and the Governor's press conference that he participated in. Supervisor Matthews leaves the meeting at 12:39 p.m. Supervisor Anderson reported on Compass Pointe, the Workforce Initiative Opportunities Act (WIOA) status, the Yes Center Board meeting, and the NW IA Care Connections board meeting. Supervisor Shelton reported on the Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC) board meeting. Supervisor Hamrick had no meetings to report on.

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 12:51 p.m. to convene at the next Auditor's called meeting August 25, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

/s/Marjorie A. Pitts, County Auditor

/s/ Dan Skelton, Chairperson