

October 5, 2023

The board met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. Members present Diana Dawley, Jeff Tindle and Jason Roudabush.

Moved by Dawley, 2nd by Tindle to approve agenda. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Tindle, 2nd by Dawley to approve October 2, 2023, board minutes. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Dawley, 2nd by Tindle to approve Utility Permit #24-08U to Searsboro Telephone Company for work in Section 20, Union Township. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

The board received the recorder's report of fees collected for the month ending September 2023.

Dawley stated she attended a Poweshiek Development Taskforce meeting. During the meeting, discussion was held regarding the contributions to Pow-I80 economic development from the county and cities within the county.

9:00 a.m. Lyle Brehm, Engineer met with board to provide weekly engineer's report. Brehm updated the following:

- still no target date for pouring the concrete deck for the bridge on V18 on north edge of Brooklyn
- bridge crew working on bridge on Iowa County line, placing new piles & new deck
- contractor performing diamond grinding on V18 intends to be back early part of next week
- crews have been performing some pavement patching
- cleaning ditches on 100th near 440th & placing some dirt on the road
- looking into purchasing a truck to use to apply water to the dirt for some of the grading projects

Brehm presented the board with an agreement for approval regarding an awarded grant for placing a flashing light at the intersection of 200th & 415th. The eastbound traffic comes to a "T" intersection & has very poor sight distance to the north. This grant will aid in purchasing a radar unit that will identify approaching traffic & a sign that will light up & warn when traffic is approaching.

Moved by Tindle, 2nd by Dawley to approve Iowa DOT agreement for traffic safety improvement program funding for the installation of flashing beacon & radar detection at the intersection of 200th Street & 415th Avenue. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

9:21 a.m. Jeff Tindle left the meeting to attend Middle Iowa Watershed meeting in Tama.

The board discussed with Brehm preparing a 5-year plan for road improvements paid with TIF dollars.

Brehm discussed the scrub trees located on the line between the Grinnell road shop and fairground land. Brehm's rough plan is to take out the fence and remove the scrub trees. Brehm would then like to add a lean-to to the road shop building to keep the equipment under and free from the weather elements.

The board accepted the retirement letter from Dianna Longhenry, Recorder for her official retirement date, December 29, 2023. The board discussed filling the vacancy and their intention is to fill it by appointment. The Board advised Auditor to publish notice of intent to fill by appointment.

9:22 a.m. Lora Wyckoff, Assistant Recorder joined the meeting. The board inquired with Wyckoff of her interest in the Recorder position. Wyckoff advised she is very interested and is comfortable with the processes in that office.

10:33 a.m. Moved by Dawley, 2nd by Roudabush to adjourn. 2 ayes. Motion carried.

Melissa Eilander, Poweshiek County Auditor

Jason Roudabush, Chairman