

March 21, 2024

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

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

Brian Paul discussed with the board some change orders relating to the E911 radio tower project. Paul stated one change order is for 5 additional portable radios for Deep River Fire. Initially when the project commenced, Deep River requested 7 portable radios. Since then, there is a new fire chief and it was decided there was a need for a total of 12 portable radios. The second change order is for an additional 4 pagers. The third change order is for 8 encoders to be installed at each fire station. The encoders are used with the current system but this was not included in the new project but is a needed product. The total cost of all change orders is \$39,600. Board stated they would need to see about funds available for this additional cost. Board will look to see if there are any unused ARPA funds dedicated to governmental services or what other means for funding are available.

8:34 a.m. Lyle Brehm, Engineer, and Kenneth Desrochers joined the meeting.

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Tindle to approve March 18, 2024 board minutes. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Brehm provided the board with the following updates:

- Bridge memorial policy will be approved at the board meeting on Monday.
- Contract rock hauling is completed, hitting 75 miles with 300 ton/mile in about 7 days.
- Awarded \$5,650.78 for sign replacement. This was a competitive statewide grant. Sign technician Kenny Desrochers spent a lot of time preparing the information for submittal for the grant.
- Working to get permission from IDOT to run a line across the bridge at 200th Street and I-80. The sign, flashing beacon & radar unit are here and just need to run a line through an existing conduit.
- Brehm met with City of Victor regarding the resurfacing project of Old 6 into Victor. City of Victor is interested in resurfacing their portion as well. The portion within city limits is the city's responsibility, but the county has a policy to share the cost of the roadway. The policy states the county will pay half of the portion of the roadway that is driven on, and the city would pay for work outside of that, such as sidewalk, curb & gutter, etc. City is going to submit an application to Region 6 to see if they can acquire some funds to help pay their portion.

Brehm discussed with the board a request to reclassify an exiting dirt road to Area Service "C". The road is described as 480th Avenue between 125th Street & 135th Street. Brehm had asked for the board to approve a resolution to set a public hearing on this matter. Tindle stated he was not in favor of reclassifying this road. Dawley further stated she was not in favor of it either. They felt that this road was utilized too much to justify a reclassification. The reclassification to Area Service "C" would place gates on the ends to restrict access to all but the adjoining landowners and any public services who have need for access, such as fire, ambulance, sheriff, utilities, etc.

Chairman Dawley called for a motion to approve Resolution #2024-18 setting public hearing for reclassification of a section of road to Area Service "C". Having heard no motion, the approval of this resolution died. No public hearing will be set regarding this issue.

Board advised Brehm they are not in favor of reclassification of this portion of road.

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Tindle to approve 5-day liquor license (May 23, 2024 – May 27, 2024) to Lucky Wife Wine Slushies. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Tindle, 2nd by Roudabush to approve the following property tax exemptions for forest cover / open prairie for the 2024 values payable 2025/2026:

- John Reimers, Section 19, Madison Township

- Richard Ryan, Section 32, Madison Township
- Duane Hinrichs, Section 27, Warren Township
- Vera Heck, Section 11, Lincoln Township
- Zachary Peak, Section 30, Grant Township
- Robert Pearce, Section 31, Grant Township
- Andrew Cody, Section 7, Washington Township
- Christopher Peck, Section 27, Sugar Creek Township
- Ronald L. Pexa, Section 25, Lincoln Township

3 ayes. Motion carried.

Dawley stated she has a Central Iowa Juvenile Detention meeting tomorrow.

Roudabush stated he had the E911 radio project meeting yesterday.

Board received MMP annual update for JKBEE Finisher 2.

Board discussed agenda items for meeting on Monday. Auditor Eilander stated there was not anything at this time. Board advised Auditor Eilander if nothing were to arise for the meeting Monday, to cancel said meeting.

10:22 a.m. Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Tindle to adjourn. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Melissa Eilander, Poweshiek County Auditor

Diana Dawley, Chairman