

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
FOURTEENTH MEETING, 2017 SESSION (14)
MARCH 21, 2017**

The Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 8:30 A.M. in the Boardroom with Chairman Huseman presiding, and the following members present: Altena, Arends, and with Auditor Susan Lloyd as clerk for the meeting. Absent: Merten, Ringgenberg.

Unless otherwise indicated, all of the following **motions** offered at this meeting were carried with the following vote: Ayes: Altena, Arends, and Huseman. Nays: none. Abstentions: none

Motion by Arends, second by Altena, to approve the **utility permit** for Windstream Iowa Communications, Little Rock, AR, to place buried cable along 86th Ave. in Section 17, Barnes Township, to 4369 86th Ave. Carried.

Motion by Arends, second by Altena, to approve the **utility permit** for Century Link, Storm Lake, IA, to install fiber service along Hwy 7, in Section 30, Washington Township, from the intersection of 80th Ave & Hwy 7 to the intersection of 70th Ave., and Hwy 7, to 5890 70th Ave. Carried.

Secondary Road Report: They are blading roads and hauling gravel; they are taking wings off of the motor graders; the salt sheds are 2/3 full, and they are filling them back up to be ready for the next year; the gravel pit at western is getting bigger; they have spotted a few gravel roads; the bridge project on M50 at C25 is progressing, with the pile driven and they poured the abutments; the bridge on M50, south of Hwy 7 is progressing, as they poured one footing and are pouring the first half of the floor tomorrow.

Motion by Altena, second by Arends, to approve the **minutes** of 3/13 and 3/14, as printed, and today's **claims approval list**. There were no reports. Carried.

Treasurer Sherie Elbert received a request from the Code Enforcement Office in Alta, to junk a trailer, #13, in the Westview Trailer Court. Elbert stated that there is \$620 in taxes due on this parcel. Motion by Arends, second by Altena, to authorize the **abatement** of the mobile home taxes for parcel #2441162, in the amount of \$620, and to **junk the trailer** on parcel #2441162. Carried.

Treasurer Sherie Elbert stated that she would not be requesting to **suspend taxes** on the parcel that was listed on the agenda for today.

Motion by Altena, second by Arends, to appoint Don Diehl and Sara Monroy Huddleston to the **Judicial Magistrate Appointing Commission**, replacing Bill Lanphere and Ron Haraldson, with their terms expiring on 12/31/2020.

Motion by Arends, second by Altena, to authorize the Chairman to sign the response letter to the auditing firm, regarding the **FY'16 audit**. Carried.

Motion by Arends, second by Altena, discontinue the **Rock Valley "Healthy for Life"** program, effective May 31, 2017. Carried.

Due to discontinuing the **Rock Valley “Healthy for Life”** program, the non-participating fee for the employee’s health insurance will cease, also effective May 31, 2017.

Drainage Attorney Gary Armstrong was present for his appointment. Motion by Arends, second by Altena, to go into **closed session** (at 9:15 a.m.) under Chapter 21.5(1)(c) of the 2017 Code of Iowa, to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. Ayes: Altena, Arends, Huseman. Motion carried.

Motion by Arends, second by Altena, to go out of **closed session** at 9:28 a.m. Carried.

Hear the Public: Env Health/Zoning Director Kim Johnson informed the Board that a master matrix would be coming in today, so the Board would need to set a public hearing at their meeting on 3/28. She also informed the Board that one of the Wind Companies wants to change some of their towers, to have 20’ longer blades, which will require new zoning variances.

There being no further business, motion by Arends, second by Altena, to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 a.m. until Tuesday, March 28, at 8:30 a.m. for a special session.