

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
THIRTY-THIRD MEETING, 2017 SESSION (33)
AUGUST 29, 2017**

The Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors met in special session, on Tuesday, August 29, 2017 at 8:30 A.M. in the Boardroom, with Chairman Huseman presiding, and the following members present: Altena, Arends (arrived at 8:49), Merten, Ringgenberg, and with Auditor Susan Lloyd as clerk for the meeting.

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

Secondary Road Report: Maintenance Supt. Bruce McGowan and Asst. to the Engineer Justin Anderson updated the Board on the secondary Road department: They are mowing the hard surfaces for the third time and the gravels for the second time; they are fixing cross pipes; the crew is building driveways and rip rapping ditch banks; the contractor is working on the culvert project by Wal-Mart; the sealcoat is done on C49 and Stoney Point, but they are still working on Schaller's and South Cove; a call was placed to Engineer Bret Wilkinson, so he could participate in the conversation about the problem in Casino Beach, of Mrs. Wordekemper removing some sealcoat from the White Cap Road. The consensus of the Board was to have the Engineer send the information to the County Attorney and see what he has to say. McGowan stated that Dakota Access Pipeline is done in BV County, and so he and Wilkinson are looking at the gravel and asphalt roads to check for damages, to get a final bill prepared for Dakota Access Pipeline.

Arends arrived at the meeting.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Altena, to approve the **minutes** of 8/22/17, as printed, and the following **reports**: June DECAT minutes, August agenda, and FY'17 financials for DECAT, June Board of Health minutes, and August 2017 County Attorney Collection Reports. Carried.

Supervisor Meeting Reports: Merten attended the Rolling Hills Governance Board meeting last week and has another meeting with them this week; Arends attended the NW IA YES Center meeting; Altena and Huseman attended the Lake Improvement Commission meeting yesterday; Altena has an Upper Des Moines meeting tonight; Ringgenberg attended the Board of Health and DECAT meetings.

The Chair opened the public hearing for the first **FY'18 budget amendment**. Notice was published as required. No written objections have been submitted and no objections were offered during the hearing. Motion by Merten, second by Arends, to close the public hearing. Carried.

Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Altena, to approve the **FY'18 budget amendment** as published, to authorize the Chair to sign, and to approve the following appropriations:

Increase activity	1000	General Basic Fund (0001)	Dept 05	\$5,670
Increase activity	6000	General Basic Fund (0001)	Dept 92	\$500,000
Increase activity	6320	General Basic Fund (0001)	Dept 91	\$15,482
Increase activity	6320	Rural Basic Fund (0011)	Dept 91	\$2,406
Increase activity	9000	General Basic Fund (0001)	Dept 01	\$14,851
Increase activity	0210	Conservation LATF (0027)	Dept 22	\$207,912
Increase activity	0220	REAP Fund (0023)	Dept 22	\$30,000
Increase activity	0220	Education Fund (0031)	Dept 22	\$900

Increase activity 0220 General Basic (0001) Dept 22 \$50,000 Carried.

No action was taken on appointing a representative to attend the Sullivan Brothers Iowa Veterans Museum's program on September 15, 2017, to honor those still **Missing in Action**, which includes Everett Spitzer of Buena Vista County. The Board will contact Veterans Service Officer John Stange to see if he can attend or one of his Commissioners.

No action was taken on the **ICAP Statement of Action Taken Form**. The Board directed the Auditor to contact the Sheriff and Engineer regarding the recommendations, and then bring it back to the Board for the Chairman to sign.

Motion by Merten, second by Arends, to approve the **2017 BPTC list**. Carried.

Motion by Arends, second by Huseman, to set Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. as the date and time of the public hearing on the **Career Link Funding CDBG Grant** application regarding transportation to V.T. Industries in Holstein. Carried.

Deputy Medical Examiner Tim Speers updated the Board on the current medical examiner process. Speers would like to cut his hours down at the hospital and pick up more of the on-call hours of the medical examiner department. A current deputy medical examiner has resigned, so Speers would like to hire one more deputy examiner to cover that time, and he would pick up more of the on-call hours, giving the other examiners more time off, and Speers would then like to become a full-time Deputy Medical Examiner, meeting the 35 hours per week. Motion by Arends, second by Merten, to accept the offer presented by Tim Speers, to become a full-time County employee, as a **Deputy Medical Examiner**, effective September 1, 2017. Carried.

Conservation Director/Weed Commissioner Greg Johnson updated the Board on his departments. **Weed Department**: They have hired an IRVM Manager; they have sprayed 1,952 miles in the County; they have an issue with the weed truck, which is being repaired; they were approved for the three grants that Johnson applied for, which was \$24,000 for a hydro seeder, \$10,000 for a pickup, and \$600-\$700 for personal protective equipment. **Conservation Department**: They held the district meeting last month at Gabrielson Park; they are working on general maintenance; the playground is in at the BV County Park and they have applied for a \$1,000 Safety Grant from ICAP for playground fall material; they lost two seasonal employees last week; they are still going forward with the Linn Grove project, waiting on a Federal Grant they have applied for; they have submitted their building permit to the City of Linn Grove, and will be working on the bathhouse foundation.

Motion by Arends, second by Altena, to approve and authorize the Chair to sign **Resolution #2017-08-29-A** to appoint Buena Vista County as Lead Entity for HUD National Disaster Resiliency Grant. Carried.

**RESOLUTION #2017-08-29-A
FOR JOINT AGENCY AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN BUENA VISTA COUNTY, IOWA AND OTHER COUNTIES
POTENTIALLY AFFECTED BY AN IOWA WATERSHED APPROACH PROJECT FUNDED THROUGH
A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM ALLOCATION FROM THE
CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE (CFDA) # 14.27 UNDER CONTRACT 13-NRDI-
003**

WHEREAS, Buena Vista County, has been awarded "pass-through" funding by the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA), from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program of the

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), to plan and implement improvements proposed for enhancement of the North Raccoon River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, as grantee, Buena Vista County is designated “Responsible Entity” to ensure compliance with federal provisions stipulated to be invoked by the National Environmental Policy Act, whereby an assessment must be undertaken to determine whether proposed improvements may significantly affect the human environment, and, if necessary, any mitigating actions; and

WHEREAS, as Responsible Entity, Buena Vista County is likewise lead entity in association with planning and development activities proposed within jurisdiction of the North Raccoon River Watershed subject to environmental review; and

WHEREAS, other noted watershed counties potentially affected by the project include Pocahontas; and

WHEREAS, Buena Vista County may not independently exercise responsibilities required by environmental review on behalf of another county without joint approval through mutual agreement, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PARTIES HERETO THAT the Responsible Entity is hereby authorized to determine activities and any mitigating actions to be implemented for watershed improvement(s) within Pocahontas County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

For Buena Vista County, Iowa, dated this 29th day of August, 2017.

/s/ Thomas M. Huseman, Chair, Board of Supervisors.....Attest: Susan K. Lloyd, County Auditor

Motion by Arends, second by Ringgenberg, to approve and authorize the Chair to sign **Resolution #2017-08-29-B**, requesting the assistance of the staff of the NW IA Planning & Development Commission in connection with CDBG 13-NDRI-003, and the **Agreement between the Northwest Iowa Planning and Development Commission** and Buena Vista County, that was entered into on November 22, 2016. Carried.

RESOLUTION #2017-08-29-B

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BUENA VISTA COUNTY, IOWA
TO REQUEST THE ASSISTANCE OF THE STAFF OF THE
NORTHWEST IOWA PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.**

WHEREAS, the County of Buena Vista County has agreed to the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement creating the Northwest Iowa Planning and Development Commission (hereinafter called the Planning Agency) and is a member in good standing; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to engage the Planning Agency to provide certain technical and professional services in connection with...

Administration of the Buena Vista County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 13-NDRI-003

WHEREAS, Article III.E of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement gives the Planning Agency the responsibilities outlined in Chapters 28H and 28I, Code of Iowa;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Council of Buena Vista County, Iowa that the Planning Agency be requested to provide staff assistance in the above mentioned project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the County Council understands and will comply with Policy Council guidelines regarding the assessments of costs of the Planning Agency staff assistance.

Passed, approved and adopted this 29th day of August, 2017.

/s/ Thomas M. Huseman, Chair, Board of Supervisors.....Attest: Susan K. Lloyd, County Auditor

Assistant County Attorney Paul Allen and Office Administrator Heidi Hansen reviewed the **delinquent collections process**. Storm Lake, Sioux Rapids, and Newell have signed a 28E Agreement so that the County Attorney can go after the delinquent court fines for the cities and a small percentage is paid to the County for doing this service. The total collections since this process started has gone over one million dollars. The funds more than pay for the program and for other staff. The Board thanked them for all of their efforts.

There being no further business, motion by Merten, second by Arends, to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 a.m. until Tuesday, September 5, at 8:30 a.m. for a regular session. Carried.