

SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK 2023

April 18, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 9:08am by Rick Thompson. Present were Rick Thompson, Heath Hansen, Janell Remsburg, Mitch Rydl, Chris Swensen, Cassie Jacobsen, and Lisa Frederiksen.

Motion-Hansen Second-Thompson to approve the agenda. Vote-all in favor.

Motion-Hansen Second-Thompson to accept/file the Clerk of Court March 2023 Fees. Vote-all in favor.

Motion-Hansen Second-Thompson to approve the FY23-FY25 CASI Agreement. Vote-all in favor.

Motion-Hansen Second-Thompson to accept/file the Annual MMP Updates for Handlos Zaiger Farm Site #61951, Multi-Pig 1 Sec 19 Site #60473, Handlos Home Place West-7A Site #61965, and Nick Smith H & S Farming Site #70066. Vote-all in favor.

Motion-Hansen Second-Thompson to approve Resolution 23-22 to express Audubon County's support of the current Local Option Sales Tax. Vote-all in favor. Heath Hansen will email to the appropriate people.

**RESOLUTION 2023-22**

WHEREAS, the voters of Audubon County and cities within the county have voted to enact a 1 cent Local Option Sales Tax in accordance with Iowa Code 423B, and

WHEREAS, the revenue derived from the tax is used for road and bridge improvements, and

WHEREAS, the residents of Audubon County have grown to rely on these revenues as a means to reduce property taxes and maintain and improve our county roads, and

WHEREAS, the 2023 legislative session has seen the introduction of SF 550, which proposes to convert the Local Option Sales Tax efforts into a statewide sales tax and impose the local option sales tax in every jurisdiction, thereby triggering the constitutional amendment to require an allocation of 3/8th of a cent to the Iowa Water and Land Legacy (IWLL) trust fund.

THEREFORE, the Audubon County Board of Supervisors would like to express their support of the current Local Option Sales Tax. The current law best represents the interest of voters and furthers the reduction of property taxes, which is a common goal of the County and the Iowa Legislature. The Board of Supervisors unanimously supports the Iowa Water and Land Legacy (IWLL) trust fund; however, SF 550 as currently written, would not only strip the County of control over Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) revenues, but would effectively disregard the will of the Voters.

Passed and approved on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.

/s/Doug Sorensen

Doug Sorensen, Chairperson

/s/Rick Thompson

Rick Thompson, Vice Chairperson

/s/Heath Hansen

Heath Hansen, Member

Attest: /s/Janell Remsburg

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Mitch Rydl-Secondary Roads-Maintenance and Construction Activity-inspected bridges with new guardrails and all are installed correctly. On April 12, 2023 Secondary Roads received a call from a farmer regarding damage that was done to F58 because of his farm equipment dragging onto the pavement. After investigation, there was a temporary fix done. It is decided that there will have to be a complete repair patch done approximately 10'x11'x12" thick. This was brought to the County Attorney's attention. There will need to be further discussion on this. Two plows are on order for 2025 delivery. Will try to pay for equipment for these trucks in FY24. The cost will be approximately \$270,000 per truck.

Discussion regarding address change on all Landmands Bank credit cards. The addresses were all changed to 2002 State St. Guthrie Center, IA 50115. Janell will contact Landmands Bank and First National Bank of Omaha to try to get answers as to how this mistake was made.

Discussion of rebate agreement with Hamlin Feed Mill will be tabled until next meeting.

Discussion of Employee Handbook recommendations from Ahlers Cooney Attorneys. Chris Swensen is still reviewing this. Will discuss more in the future. Chris Swensen will also review the New Opportunities Substance Abuse Prevention Grant Application and draft subcontract before approving. Will discuss at next meeting.

Motion-Hansen Second-Thompson to approve the placement of the DEA Drug Take Back Day in front of the courthouse. Vote-all in favor. This Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, is the official drug take back day, but drugs can be dropped off anytime. This drop box is located inside the Sheriff's office.

Motion-Hansen Second-Thompson to pay claims as submitted by various departments and listed in a separate publication following these minutes in the amount of \$231,662.42. Vote-all in favor.

Motion-Hansen Second-Thompson to approve 4/11/23 meeting minutes. Vote-all in favor

Motion-Hansen Second-Thompson to adjourn at 11:13am. Vote-all in favor.

  
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