

**MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON APRIL 09, 2008.**

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Larry Backer with member John Zimmerman present. Ken Oldenburger was absent due to attendance at a Regional Housing Council Meeting.

Present for all or part of the meeting were Ronnie Allan, Vernon Leerhoff, Bob Gerdes, and Vern Poppen.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Board considered Resolution regarding the Destruction of Noxious Weeds. Moved by Zimmerman, second by Backer to adopt said resolution as follows:

**RESOLUTION #385-08  
THE DESTRUCTION OF NOXIOUS WEEDS**

To All Property Owners:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Butler County Board of Supervisors: that pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 317, Code of Iowa, 2003, it is hereby ordered:

1. That each owner and each person in the possession or control of any lands in Butler County shall cut, burn or otherwise destroy all noxious weeds thereon, as defined in this chapter, at such times in each year and in such manner as shall prevent said weed from blooming or coming to maturity, and shall keep said lands free from such growth of any weeds as shall render the streets or highways adjoining said lands unsafe for public travel. Noxious weeds shall be cut or otherwise destroyed on or before the following dates and as often thereafter as is necessary to prevent seed production.

Group 1 (May 1 to June 5) Leafy Spurge, Perennial Peppergrass, Sour Dock, Smooth Dock, Sheep Sorrell, Musk Thistle, Teasel.

Group 2 (June 1 to June 15) Canada Thistle, Russian Knapweed, Buckthorn, Wild Mustard, Poison Hemlock, Wild Sunflower.

Group 3 (July 1 to July 15) Field Bindweed, Wild Carrot.

Group 4 (July 1 to July 15) Horse Nettle, Perennial Sow Thistle, Quack Grass, Butter-Print, Puncture Vine, Cocklebur, Bull Thistle.

2. That each owner and each person in the possession or control of any lands in Butler County infested with any noxious weeds, including Quack Grass, Thistles of all kinds, Field Bindweed, Horse Nettle, Leafy Spurge, Perennial Peppergrass, Poison Hemlock, Wild Sunflower and Russian Knapweed, shall adopt a program of weed destruction, prescribed by the Weed Commissioner, which in five years may be expected to destroy and will immediately keep under control such infestations of said noxious weeds.
3. That if the owners or persons in possession or control of any land in Butler County fail to comply with the foregoing orders, the Weed Commissioner shall cause this to be done and the expense of said work, including costs of serving notice and other costs, if any, are to be assessed against the real estate.
4. That the County Auditor be and is hereby directed to cause notice of the making and entering of the foregoing order by one publication in each of the newspapers in the County.

UPON Roll Call the vote thereon was as follows:

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| AYES:   | John Zimmerman  | NAYS: None |
|         | Larry Backer    |            |
| ABSENT: | Ken Oldenburger |            |

WHEREUPON the Resolution was declared duly adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008.

ATTEST: Holly A. Fokkena, County Auditor

Reviewed Quarterly Reports of the Auditor, Recorder and Sheriff and ordered placed on file.

Board met with Beth Freeman, Senator Tom Harkin's Office. Also present was County Engineer John Riherd. Ms. Freeman reported on recent study results showing poor conditions of Iowa bridges and roadways. She stated her job was to gather input from local governments for the Senator. Riherd indicated that to keep up with needed county bridge repairs or replacement, the county would need to do 5 to 6 projects each year. Funding for that many projects is not always available if a large river bridge falls into the replacement cycle. He further stated the largest stressor on the county bridges is that current vehicle weights have increased beyond many of the bridges ratings.

Board acknowledged Manure Management Plan Annual Update for Jaart LLC 2 and Dralle.

Board reviewed with County Engineer Riherd the Iowa Department of Transportation Fiscal Year 2009 Budget and 5-year Construction Program. Moved by Zimmerman, second by Backer to approve same. Motion carried.

**Reviewed Federal Aid Agreement for County Bridge located on Jay Avenue in Section 22, Monroe Township. Moved by Zimmerman, second by Backer to approve same. Motion carried.**

**Moved by Zimmerman, second by Backer to approve and finalize Agreement between Butler County and International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 234 for period of July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2010. Motion carried.**

**Board agreed to table finalization of Driveway Policy to Tuesday, April 15, 2008.**

**Board considered amended 28E Agreements: Iowa Northland Regional Housing Council and Iowa Northland Regional Economic Development Commission. Moved by Zimmerman, second by Backer to approve same. Motion carried.**

**Moved by Zimmerman, second by Backer to adjourn to Tuesday, April 15, 2008 at 9:00 A.M. Motion carried.**

**The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa on April 9, 2008.**