

MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON JANUARY 17, 2023.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Chairman Greg Barnett with members Rusty Eddy and Wayne Dralle present. Moved by Dralle second by Eddy to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to approve the minutes as read. All ayes. Motion carried.

No public comment received.

Motioned by Eddy to open a Public Hearing on an FY23 Budget Amendment, second by Dralle. No comment was received. Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to close the Public Hearing. All ayes. Motion carried.

Following a Public Meeting, it was motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to approve Resolution 1060-2023 for FY23 Budget Amendment. Roll call was taken and Resolution 1060-2023 was adopted as follow:

**RECORD OF HEARING AND DETERMINATION
ON THE AMENDMENT TO THE FY22 COUNTY BUDGET**

The County Board of Supervisors met on January 17, 2023, to adopt an amendment to the current County budget as summarized below. The amendment was adopted after compliance with the public notice, public hearing and public meeting provisions as required by law.

EXPENDITURES

Capital Project	\$430,000	ARPA Courthouse HVAC update - \$180,000 E911 Tower Acquisition - \$100,000 County Conservation Projects - \$150,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$430,000	

WHEREUPON, the Chairperson declared the motion carried and Amendment duly adopted.

RESOLUTION #1060-2023

WHEREAS, it was moved by Eddy, second by Dralle to approve increasing appropriations for the following:

Service Area/Department	Additional Appropriation FY2023
99 Non-Departmental	\$430,000

The roll was called and the vote thereon was:

AYES: Rusty Eddy NAYS: None ABSENT: N/A
Greg Barnett
Wayne Dralle

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the motion was carried.

WHEREUPON the Resolution was declared duly adopted this 17th day of January, 2023.

Greg Barnett
Chair, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
Leslie Groen, County Auditor

County Treasurer, Roxie Nicolaus, reviewed the Treasurer Semi-Annual Report. No additional comments were received. Moved by Dralle, second by Eddy to approve the Semi-Annual Report. All ayes. Motion carried.

The following budget funding requests were made:

- Butler County Fair Board Funding Request, Mike Stirling – Stirling indicated that the standard annual request of \$22,500 would be the same for this year.
- Butler County Soil and Water Conservation, Jim Lindaman – Lindaman shared a list of activities and past expenditures and asked for the same amount as last year, which is \$5,000.
- Butler County Libraries, Deb Niemann spoke on behalf of the 8 county libraries and also asked for the same amount as last year, which is \$11,000 per library in Butler County for a total of \$88,000.

Board considered FY24 Budget Workshop

- IT Director, Sara Trepp – Trepp indicated that the new phone system is estimated to be around \$24,000/year for a three-year lease. This would be the major change for the budget increase. An upgrade in software support will be cause an increase as well.
- Conservation Director, Matt Morris – Morris highlighted the conservation budget. Maintenance is projected to increase by \$25,000 mainly due to a 300% increase in camping from FY19 to FY22; increasing electrical, fuel and general maintenance costs. Conservation is looking for \$500,000 in donations for displays at the nature center. Overall, the budget is up approximately \$68,000 from the previous year. Also mentioned was a new shop building is in the future, and there may be an ask at a later date.
- Sheriff, Jason Johnson – The major increases include salary increases across the board with an addition of two future fulltime paramedics with insurance and benefits.
- Public Health Director, Jennifer Becker – Becker mentioned that utilities were never included in her budget, but it will be now as the new building will be in use this year. The salary item has increased due to the Board of Health requesting they hire an additional RN.
- Treasurer, Roxie Nicolaus – No significant changes outside salary increases with compensation board recommendations.

- Recorder, Janice Jacobs – No significant changes outside salary increases with compensation board recommendations.
- County Attorney, Dave Kuehner – Not many changes from the previous year. Kuehner mentioned that Bev Harms will no longer be working her part-time job with the Attorney’s office.
- Planning & Zoning/Environmental Health Administrator, Misty Day – Zoning expenses mostly remained the same, outside of the increase in salary based on compensation board recommendations. Day also explained an increase in professional fees ask they begin the process of updating the County’s Comprehensive Plan.
- Veteran Affairs, Tom Heckman – Overall, the budget has decreased from the previous year.
- Engineer, John Riherd – Secondary roads budget is compiled on a trending basis. Riherd included 8% increase to salaries instead of the 10% recommended by the compensation board. There are budgeted construction projects including bridges and roads. The property tax asking amounts for FY24 will be \$70,000 from the General Fund and \$2,000,000 from Rural Services.
- Auditor, Leslie Groen – Salary increases from the compensation board recommendations and an additional employee as clerk between Finance and Elections. The additional employee would return the Auditor’s office back to a full staff. In addition, new Elections equipment is needed and has been budgeted.

Board considered Iowa DOT Agreement No: 2-23-HBP-004 (Traer St. Bridge, Greene). Riherd explained the project, which is estimated at \$1.4 million. Riherd is working with the city for an agreement to complete the bridge and to receive reimbursement. Moved by Dralle, second by Eddy to approve the agreement. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Dralle, second by Eddy to approve claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to adjourn the regular meeting at 11:30 A.M. to January 24, 2023 at 9:00 A.M. All ayes. 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 January 17th, 2023.

Attest: Leslie Groen
Butler County Auditor

Greg Barnett
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors