

## **MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON MARCH 17, 2020.**

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Tom Heidenwirth with member Greg Barnett present. Member Rusty Eddy was absent. Also present were Matt Ramker, Solid Waste Commission, Assessor Michele Shultz, Sheriff Jason Johnson, Director of Public Health Jennifer Becker, Emergency Management Coordinator Chris Showalter and Engineer John Riherd.

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

Moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to approve a Service Agreement between Butler County and Butler County Solid Waste Commission. Eddy was absent. Motion carried.

Also present were John Luhring, Larry J. Luhring, Greg Asche, Parkersburg, Iowa, Tim Kolder, Aplington, Iowa, Treasurer Vicki Schoneman and Recorder Janice Jacobs.

Board authorized Auditor to transfer \$50,000 from General Basic to General Supplemental.

Board met with Emergency Management Coordinator Chris Showalter and Director of Public Health Jennifer Becker to discuss the plan of action for Coronavirus outbreak. Following discussion, it was moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to close the Courthouse to the public at noon on this day, March 17, 2020 until further notice. Eddy was absent. Motion carried.

Public comment consisted of additional budget questions led by John Luhring, Parkersburg, Iowa with concerns surrounding the action of tabling approval of the proposed FY21 County Budget during the meeting of March 10, 2020. Based on discussion, the public was expecting an additional public hearing publication regarding approval of said budget. The actual motion recorded in the minutes and approved by the Board was as follows: "Moved by Barnett, second by Eddy to table budget approval. All ayes. Motion carried." Auditor reported that the public hearing was held on March 10, 2020. Following review of the State requirements, an additional public hearing is not mandated, as expenditures did not increase. However, approval of said budget must still be in a meeting open to the public. Board reported they were working on lowering the levy, and when complete, will post a budget summary on the Butler County website for public review prior to the meeting of March 24, 2020, when they intend to take action on said budget. Due to the COVID-19 action of this day closing the courthouse to the public, Board will arrange technology that will allow concerned tax payers to attend the March 24, 2020 meeting telephonically for comments. This complies with Iowa Code section 21.8 that outlines the guidelines to hold an electronic meeting when there are valid concerns that an in-person meeting is "impossible or impractical".

Board approved claims as submitted.

Board acknowledged receipt of Manure Management Plan Annual Updates for DCI Bennezette 2; Woodford Creek Farms, LLP and RIG 3 Bennezette.

Moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to adjourn the meeting at 10:48 A.M. to Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. Eddy was absent. 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 March 17, 2020.