

## **MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON AUGUST 25, 2020.**

With limited public access to the courthouse due to COVID-19, this meeting was held telephonically with the public able to participate on a limited basis. 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".

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Pro-tem Greg Barnett with member Rusty Eddy present. Chairman Tom Heidenwirth was present telephonically, unable to chair.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Moved by Eddy, second by Heidenwirth to approve. All ayes. Motion carried.

No public comment received.

Director of Public Health Jennifer Becker reported 24 new positive case of COVID-19 since August 18, 2020 for a total of 163 positive cases as of yesterday, with 131 recovered and 3 hospitalized. Butler County has 30 active cases with a positivity rate of 8%.

Board reviewed a contract between Pathways and the Butler County Board of Supervisors for \$30,000 for substance abuse. Following discussion, it was moved by Heidenwirth, second by Eddy to approve. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board discussed a HazMat incident with Emergency Management Coordinator Chris Showalter and the subsequent billing of \$1,729.88. Moved by Heidenwirth, second by Barnett to pay the claim and seek reimbursement for said claim. All ayes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Vicki Schoneman presented a step-proposal for a new employee's wages. Moved by Eddy, second by Barnett to approve. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board reviewed an Agreement between U.S. Cellular and Butler County to install a cell phone booster in and on the Butler County Courthouse. Moved by Heidenwirth, second by Eddy to approve. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Eddy, second by Barnett to accept the recommendation of Engineer Riherd and approve a Utility Permit for Butler County REC for underground service at 14662 Marsh Avenue. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Eddy, second by Barnett to move to closed session according to Iowa Code 20.17(3) at 9:40 A.M. to discuss bargaining strategy with Human Resources Specialist Renee VonBokern. Motion carried.

Moved by Eddy, second by Barnett to return to open session at 9:52 A.M. All ayes. Motion carried.

Following the return to open session, it was moved by Eddy, second by Barnett to hold a union retention vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board acknowledged receipt of Manure Management Plan Annual Update for Pop's Poultry Farm.

Moved by Barnett, second by Eddy to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 A.M. to Tuesday, September 1, 2020 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 August 25, 2020.