

## **Minutes**

### **Cass County Board of Supervisors**

**Tuesday, October 1, 2024**

The Cass County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. in the courthouse board room with members present: Mark O'Brien, temporary chair, Steve Baier (by phone from 8:34 until 8:44, then in person and chair for the remainder of the meeting) Stephen Green, Wendy Richter, and Bernard Pettinger. Absent: none.

Pettinger moved, Richter second, to adopt the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

Green moved, Pettinger second, to approve the September 17, 2024 minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comments: 1) Jarrod Beckstrom, development manager with APEX Clean Energy, announced they are planning to install 35-55 wind turbines in Audubon County. He and Corey Eberling, the public engagement organizer, and Rob Welch, the local project manager based in Audubon County's field office, introduced themselves and the project to the board of supervisors. Land owners they have spoken with in Audubon County also own property in Cass County and inquired about placing a third of the turbines in Cass County. They are in the planning stages at this time. 2) Craig Meyer commented on county sheds and funding for secondary roads.

At 8:39 a.m., O'Brien recessed for the public hearing to consider an application for zoning change by Farmer's Electric Cooperative for parcel number 190001125001004 in Lincoln Township from general agricultural district to light industrial district as approved by the zoning commission. Representatives from Farmers Electric explained the current 34.5KV substation needs to be updated, and is in a valley which causes challenges. They have purchased three acres on top of a hill to build a new 69KV substation and need to rezone the parcel. No other parcels will be rezoned. There were no public comments in opposition. Green moved, Pettinger seconded, to close the public hearing. All ayes. Motion carried. At 8:47 a.m., O'Brien closed the public hearing.

Richter moved, Pettinger second, to approve the application for zoning change by Farmer's Electric Cooperative for parcel number 190001125001004 in Lincoln Township from general agricultural district to light industrial district. All ayes. Motion carried.

Green moved, Pettinger second, to approve the Federal-Aid Agreement for Project BROS-CO15(81)—8J-15, Cass County Bridge 163. All ayes. Motion carried.

Pettinger moved, Green second, to approve plans for Project FM-CO15(84)—55-15, HMA Resurfacing with Cold-in-Place Recycling on N28 between Highways 92 and 83. All ayes. Motion carried.

Richter moved, O'Brien second, to approve plans for Project BROS-CO15(81)—8J-15, RCB Culvert new Twin-Box, bridge 168, on Quincy Road. All ayes. Motion carried.

O'Brien moved, Pettinger second, to approve plans for Project BROS-CO15(82)—5F-15 Bridge Replacement of Bridge 269 over Jim Branch of 660<sup>th</sup> Street. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trent Wolken, County Engineer, reviewed current road and equipment projects.

Green moved, Pettinger second, to approve a tax abatement on parcels 420008857001000 and 420008858001000, owned by the City of Massena, as requested by the county treasurer and allowed by Iowa Code 445.63. All ayes. Motion carried.

Richter moved, Green second, to approve County Held Tax Sale Certificate 2016-107 for the sale of parcel 380014270001000 in Lewis to Colton Erickson who will pay all taxes, interest, and penalty owed. All ayes. Motion carried.

Cass County Recorder Mary Ward presented the Recorder’s Fee Modernization Project that will be introduced by county recorders in the upcoming legislative session.

Debbie Schuler, Cass County Mental Health & General Relief Coordinator, presented the monthly reports for August and September.

Committee reports: Baier on juvenile detention; Pettinger on mental health; O’Brien on conservation.

The following claims were approved, and the auditor authorized to issue checks for the same:

General Basic Fund

Access Systems, Inc.	Copier Contract	740.16
Alliant Energy	Utilities	126.51
Amazon Business Amazon Capital	Office Supplies	40.96
Atlantic Municipal Utilities	Utilities	2791.84
Black Hills Energy	Utilities	37.73
Bobcat of Omaha	Equipment	67500.00
Camblin Mechanical Inc	Equipment Repair	2134.74
Camblin Plumbing & Heat, Inc.	Repairs	2061.51
Cappels	Supplies	114.71
Cass County Public Health	Grants	2788.84
Century Link	Telephone Services	555.17
Terry Duggan	Mileage	17.26
Electronic Engineering Corp	Equipment Repair	290.00
Erickson Water Septic & Sewer	Sewer Repairs	750.00
Farmers Electric Cooperative	Utilities	17.02
Griswold American Forsyth Publ	Publishing	258.06
Gronewold Bell & Kyhnn & Co,PC	Auditing Services	608.68
Guthrie County Public Health	Grants	5316.62
Todd Hansen	Rent	250.00
Hy-Vee Pharmacy Attn: Store Ch	Prescriptions	25.37
Hy-Vee, Inc. Accounts Receivab	Food and Provisions	2961.48
IA Association of Naturalists	Registration	16.00
Iowa State Medical Examiner De	Autopsy	7807.00
JJ Design, LLC	Signs	90.00
Jon Mosier Construction LLC	Maintenance	694.69
Mail Services LLC	Postage	484.29
Mediacom	Telephone Services	655.51
Menards - Council Bluffs	Supplies	533.44
Mid American Energy	Utilities	152.53
MLK Real Estate LLC	Rent	500.00
Nishnabotna Valley R E C	Utilities	1371.58
ODP Business Solutions, LLC	Office Supplies	50.21
Pest Off Pest Control	Pest Control	55.00
Polk County Medical Examiner c	Autopsy	175.00
Debbie Schuler	Mileage	79.30
Seufert Bros LLC Kevin Seufert	Rent	300.00
Christine Short	Mileage	9.20
The Office Stop	Office Supplies	18.91
The Shredder Green Resource Ma	Shredding Services	204.00
Verizon Wireless	Cellular Service	570.75
Visual Edge IT	Copier Contract	340.67

American Rescue Plan (ARPA)-GB		
CareFusion Solutions, LLC	Equipment	6000.00
First Wireless, Inc	Equipment	724.85
General Supplemental Fund		
Pottawattamie Co Sheriff	Notices	35.00
Weimer Law, PC Krisanne Corl W	Juvenile Services	2100.00
Rural Services Basic Fund		
Harkins Service LLC	Vehicle Maintenance	35.00
Per Mar Security Services Corp	Monitoring Services	36.00
Xtreme Auto	Vehicle Maintenance	108.40
Secondary Road Fund		
AgriVision, LLC	Parts/Service	827.98
Akin Building Center	Supplies	89.40
Alliant Energy	Utilities	249.26
Atlantic Ag & Auto LLC	Expendable Parts	201.26
Atlantic Motor Supply Inc	Supplies	1092.65
Atlantic Municipal Utilities	Utilities	312.34
Brown Electric Company Inc	Building Maintenance	1023.03
Calhoun-Burns & Assoc, Inc.	Consultant Fees	3031.88
Cappels	Supplies	489.38
Dave Christensen	Cellular Reimbursement	40.00
Dan's Sanitation Danny Winther	Sanitary Disposal	60.00
Scott Holaday	Reimbursement	355.00
Curtis Holste	Cellular Reimbursement	40.00
Randy Hoover	Outside Services	800.00
ICEA	Meeting Fees	325.00
Robert Kirchner	Cellular Reimbursement	40.00
Mark Knudsen	Cellular Reimbursement	40.00
Lyman Ag Supply Inc.	Supplies	944.00
McAtee Tire Service Inc	Tires/Tire Repair	29.95
Ethan Miller	Cellular Reimbursement	40.00
Jason Mitchell	Cellular Reimbursement	40.00
Nishnabotna Valley R E C	Intersection Lighting	39.03
Overhead Door Company Inc	Building Maintenance	2311.00
Andrew Steffen	Cellular Reimbursement	40.00
Trent Wolken	Reimbursement	40.00
Ziegler Inc.	Parts/Service	156497.89
Local Option Tax Fund		
Cass/Atlantic Development Corp	Contribution	7500.00
Western Iowa Tourism Reg	Registration	50.00
Co Attorney Special Revenue		
Stone Office Products	Equipment	3690.00
Capital Projects		
Atlantic Municipal Utilities	Utilities	616.91
Cass County Treasurer	Property Taxes	10.00
Local Emergency Mgmt Agency		
Mike Kennon	Fuel/Supplies	125.97
Environmental Control Agn		
Akin Building Center	Supplies	32.98
Atlantic Ag & Auto LLC	Parts/Supplies	139.33
Brown Electric Company Inc	Outside Services	342.82
Champlin Tire Recycling, Inc.	Tire Disposal	3062.40
City of Atlantic	Leachate Treatment	19472.85
Farmers Electric Cooperative	Utilities	1432.70
HLW Engineering Group	Engineering Services	2895.00
Nishna Valley Pest Control LLC	Building Maintenance	160.00
Precision Applicators LLC Brad	Leachate Hauling	19278.00
SCS Engineers	Engineering Services	1486.39
Secondary Road Fund	Reimburse Sec Rd Hours	500.00
Grand Total		342328.39

At 9:50 a.m. Richter moved, Pettinger second, to adjourn. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting October 15, 2024 at 9:00 AM.