

BOARD PROCEEDINGS
January 3, 2023
REGULAR January SESSION

The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment. Present were Roger Tjarks, Chairman, Jack Plathe, Donnie Loss, Galen Casey and Kyle Stecker.

Chairman, Roger Tjarks called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was no public discussion.

Motion by Loss and 2nd by Casey to approve the agenda and the minutes of the previous meeting dated December 27, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Tjarks to approve the claims. Motion carried unanimously.

AMU	Srvs	347.04	3
Algona Plumb & Htg	Srvs	20.50	1
American Glass Co	Supp	642.82	1
AU Life Ins	Ins.	82.50	1
Fidelity Sec Lif Ins	Ins	92.53	1
K Benson	Exp	30.00	1
Bomgaars	Supp	828.58	3
Brown's Shoe Fit Co	Supp	148.62	2
Central IA Dist	Supp	693.00	2
Centurylink	Phone	122.08	1
Certified Lab	Supp	262.86	1
Cintas	Supplies	295.57	1
City of Algona	Exp	16648.60	2
City of Fenton	Utilities	113.02	1
City of Wesley	Cons	66.45	1
City of West Bend	Utilities	269.64	1
Creative Product Source	Supp	628.51	1
D. Crouch	Exp.	50.20	1
Dockendorf Equip	Supp	291.02	1
Ecolab	Srvs	219.19	1
Elec Eng Co	Srvs	413.63	1
M Erpelding	Exp	30.00	1
Farm & Home Pub	Supp	405.00	1
Farmers Coop Elev	Fuel	941.07	1
R Fisher	Exp	36.99	1
Glen's Green Thumb	Exp	14.99	1
D Green	Supp	30.00	1
Hallett Materials	Supp	7820.27	1
Matt Holmquist	Exp	25.00	1
Hy-Vee	Supp	4325.99	1
ISSDA	Reg	250.00	1
ITsavvy LLC	Supp	4855.50	6
John Deere Financial	Parts	3272.42	1
K.C. Nielsen, LTD	Srvs	13.79	1
Credit Bureau	Exp	480.00	2
KCEDC	Allocation	62500.00	1
Koss Co	Exp	25000.00	1
KRHC	Srvs	154.00	1
KRHC	Srvs	5738.40	1
Legislative Serv Agency	Exp	160.00	1
D Loss	Exp	94.77	1
M McGregor	Exp	54.53	2
Mechanical Air Systems Co.	Exp	405712.70	1
Merryman Bridge Cons	Cons	29468.60	1
Mid Am Energy	Srvs	2090.63	2
Mike Looft TW	Fuel	10070.93	1
A Miller	Exp	15.00	1
Murphy Manage Srvs	Exp	175.00	1
NASSCO	Supp	189.89	2
NIACOG	Exp	1500.00	1
D Nielsen	Exp	350.00	1

North Central Iowa Services, L	Engineer Supp	277.50	1
NIA Lumber&Design	Exp	100.52	3
North Iowa TelCom	Parts	30.08	1
NW Comm	Service	110.65	1
O'Reilly	Exp	54.92	1
IOS	Supp	331.49	5
Office of Clerk of Court	Exp	15.61	1
R.A. Specialties	Supp	354.00	1
J Radmaker	Exp	19.74	1
Reserve Act	Postage	5000.00	1
Roethler Elec.	Srvs	843.00	3
N Roethler	Exp	15.00	1
Ruhnke Bros	Srvs	541.24	1
Solutions	Srvs	2666.00	1
Water Conn	Srvs	79.40	2
Thompson Sewer & Drain	Supp	3175.20	1
Z Thompson	Exp	15.00	1
Titonka Munc Utilities	Srvs	592.92	1
Titonka Burt Comm	Phone	2147.98	1
R Tjarks	Exp	204.75	1
TSP Court Reporting	Srvs	112.75	1
US Cellular	Srvs	149.49	1
Verizon Wireless	Exp	47.16	1
Verus	Supp	11386.50	1
Counsel Ofs & Doc	Supp	116.26	2
West Bend Ford	Exp	108.80	1
Windstream	Srvs	133.10	1
Winnebago Coop Telecom Assoc	Phone	238.65	1
Ziegler	Parts	214216.33	1
Grand Total		831125.87	

Drainage Claims

Algona Publishing	Drain 4 Lat 28	\$24.95
Bolton & Menk	Drain 4 Lat 11	\$2185.00
Bolton & Menk	Drain 4	\$7775.00
Bolton & Menk	Drain 4 Lat 28	\$2599.50
Bolton & Menk	Drain 60 Sub 4	\$2380.50
Erpelding Excavating Ent	Drain 46	\$700.00
Hudson Law Firm	Drain 7	\$627.20
Hudson Law Firm	Drain 80	\$70.00
Bill Walstead	Drain 166	\$475.00
Paul Preston	Drain 166	\$475.00
Arlyn Valvick	Drain 166	\$475.00
Royce Valvick	Drain 166	\$725.00
Kollasch Backhoe Service	Drain 166 M OD	\$8172.00
Kollasch Backhoe Service	Drain 166 OD 1	\$484.00
Kollasch Backhoe Service	Drain 166 OD 2	\$1757.10
Kollasch Backhoe Service	Drain 166 OD 3	\$990.00
McClure Engineering	Drain 4 Lat 11 OD	\$2852.50
McClure Engineering	Drain 60 Sub 1	\$8952.65
Reutzel Excavating	Drain PAK 1	\$1760.00
Reutzel Excavating	Drain PAK 1	\$1305.86
Reutzel Excavating	Drain PAK 1	\$2612.86
Reutzel Excavating	Drain PAK 1	\$4687.52
Reutzel Excavating	Drain PAK 1	\$3583.51
Zachary Laubenthal Excav	Drain 60 Sub 1	\$67099.57
TM Ag Excavating LLC	Drain HK 8	\$1478.00
TOTAL		\$124247.72

The Board of Supervisors acknowledged the offices and employees' respective salaries for the 2022 calendar year:

Supervisors

Galen Casey 39573.37

Jack Plathe	39573.37
Roger Tjarks	39573.37
Donnie Loss	39573.37
Kyle Stecker	39573.37

Auditor

Tammy Eden	74981.52
Marjorie Mergen	48105.85
Christy Skilling	51957.13
Melissa Arndorfer	51866.67
Brittany Cressler	33711.25

Treasurer

Nicholas P Rahm	72480.36
Sharon M Waller	55777.35
Constance A Ludwig	51265.98
Shara Long	49467.30
Vivian Streit	50752.92
Patricia Rightman	6890.40
Kathleen M. Meyer	45277.57
Marlys J Jennings	58785.02
Diana Ostwald	45384.78
Nadel Vipond	38266.38
Shaunya Smith	37459.60

Attorney

Todd M Holmes	103998.22
Cinnamon A Mawdsley	44034.13
Debra J Mueller	53769.80
Stephanie M Miller	86876.51
Jacquelyn Richardson	37334.18

Sheriff

Roger Fisher	95929.06
Brian Runneberg	69844.95
Josh Adams	88.75
Marcia L. Baade	48186.96
John Ternes	40.00
Marcia Baade	88.75
Matthew Holmquist	69972.41
Christopher Lawson	265.00
Melissa Hoch	66709.48
Caleb Hill	44738.25
Jacob Radmaker	75444.78
Shayne Hoch	49536.02
Shane Grimm	36270.30
Michael B Sankey	68944.87
Charles Robinson	24835.67
Mark A. McGregor	78865.21
Keara A Omdahl	50343.63
Lori L. Winkel	49915.46
Bailey Pfeffer	45650.02
Joe Risius	1504.00
Dean E Simpson	48224.73
Keith Briggs	71208.16
Dawn R Heiderscheidt	47390.19
Randall R Sewick	47785.38
Greg A Elbert	48481.92
Seth A Muller	47264.50
Angela B Zwiefel	47363.27
Linda Studer	47571.56
Elaine H Davis	54632.89
Jennetta L. Helmers	47808.72
Rebecca Bonnstetter	28028.93

Tammy Dils	15541.85
Jayme Baker	15219.45

Recorder

Karen M Benschoter	71938.16
Kimberly K Doughan	61147.47
Autumn L Zwiefel	49865.40
Kristi Frambach	42585.40

Custodian

Ron Reefer	50287.90
William Struecker	42848.64
Deborah Naab	12990.00
June Pfeffer	24231.46

Veteran Affairs

Kim Groesbeck	816.00
Carole Bernhard	450.00
James Grandgenett	562.50
John Hyink	767.50
Daniel Green	42769.20
Brian Runneberg	94.00
Donald Fickbohm	540.00

Conservation

Kendall D Stumme	67494.59
Ryan L Schmidt	51431.97
Michael K Smidt	43254.48
Billie J Wille	51377.05
Julie Fosado	27332.35
Kristyn Thul	43207.09
Madison Beenken	25045.27
Hunter Thilges	2340.80

Community Service

Dale R. Briggs	9958.20
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GIS

Luke Snyder	63498.77
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IT

Derek Olson	92406.08
Donald Heidner	44311.98

Sanitarian

Aaron Montag	43093.18
Steven Anderson	660.00

Mental Health

Anna Miller	50228.31
Martha Illg	1459.14
Haley Keihn	920.00

General Asst/Human Resource

Dona R Nielsen	75365.64
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Weed Commission

Aaron Montag	3061.34
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Secondary Road

Douglas A Miller	133916.69
Douglas A Crouch	108812.50
Adam S. Miller	84513.75
Zachary A. Thompson	73828.38

Nicholas Roethler	55444.63
Elizabeth Olson	2602.81
Lisa Hefty	49541.69
David Loss	48927.42
Mark Behr	49476.91
Lynn Stevens	48027.22
Anthony Whitacre	49510.55
Christopher Gelhaus	48454.83
Darrell W Nyman	11209.18
Mark C Blocker	51189.98
Andrew Whitacre	51907.86
Joshua Kelley	4241.12
Nicholas B Hoch	73869.76
Vern L Ryen	48287.68
Gary Goetz	48622.91
Paul F Grein	48352.01
Dennis L Engelbarts	16407.89
Ronald P Engelbarts	48561.80
Robert A Kockler	50640.31
Dylan Adams	28151.78
Marlyn L Helmers	8201.14
Dennis W Higgins	48918.36
Paul Jahnke	47472.23
James M Smith	48223.73
Dale A Kollasch	49836.44
John Ternes	31697.94
William Menke	48300.41
Phillip J Goche	48295.86
Andrew J Wagner	43519.72
Ryan Reutzel	46102.75
Scott A Ziesman	70136.39
Matthew G Schleuger	49570.76
William G Merron	69889.55
Fay Preston	6773.75
Jacob Eischen	48172.62
Conley Rolling	47964.96
Jeffrey R Gambell	48603.35
Cody J Holmes	48687.48
Ryan Wempen	43055.76
Dennis Rasmus	49623.27
Alex Langel	49233.61
Brian Blair	49832.97
Randy Boekelman	18924.23
Jerry D. Johnson	7078.77

Civil Defense

Charissa Mueller	59450.04
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Ambulance

Phil Albers	68623.80
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Assessor

Judy L Samp	86463.11
Brandon J Ostwald	39280.00
Christopher M. Lawson	69170.52
Nancy Dixon Knecht	45894.53
Tricia Garry	270.00
Lawrence W Heyn	405.00
Lynette A Hankins	405.00
Linda Zwiefel	270.00
Allan Boyken	405.00

Landfill

Larry D Haase	77693.93
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Dustin Hansen 61468.64

E-911

Derek Olson 5839.65

Donald Heidner 8650.08

Medical Death Investigator

Phil Albers 4073.00

Charissa Mueller 4915.00

David Penton 2193.00

Cameron Giddings 4139.50

Motion by Casey and 2nd by Loss to go into closed session pursuant Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c), Complaint filed with the Iowa Public Information Board. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: yes, Casey: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

No decision was made in closed session.

Discussion was held with the Supervisors.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Casey to approve the cash on hand in the following offices: Auditor \$0, Recorder \$200.00, Sheriff \$0, and Treasurer \$2,506.99. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Loss to conclude business for the 2022 Calendar year. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: yes, Casey: yes, Loss: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

2023 New Business

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Tjarks to nominate Roger Tjarks to serve as Chairman and Jack Plathe as Vice Chairman for 2023. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: no, Nath: no, Waechter: no, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion failed.

Motion by Nath and 2nd by Waechter to nominate Plathe as Chairman and Stecker as Vice Chairman for 2023. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Plathe: no, Tjarks: no. Motion carried. Supervisor Plathe respectfully declined the nomination.

Motion by Waechter and 2nd by Nath to nominate Tjarks as Chairman and Stecker as Vice Chairman for 2023. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Plathe: no, Tjarks: no. Motion carried.

Chairman, Roger Tjarks called to order the New Year at 9:10 A.M. and let it be known all members were present including Jack Plathe, Carter Nath (via internet), Josh Waechter, Kyle Stecker and Roger Tjarks.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Nath to approve the 2023 Holiday Schedule for the Kossuth County Employees as requested by Department Heads and Elected Officials. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Waechter and 2nd by Stecker that the Kossuth County Advance, Bancroft Register and the Swea City Herald Press be approved as official newspapers for 2023 in Kossuth County. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Plathe to approve Resolution #01-03-23-01 which sets out the procedure that the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors wish to adopt a construction evaluation resolution relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Stecker: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION
01-03-23-01**

CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Iowa Code section 459.304 (3) sets out the procedure if a board of supervisors wishes to adopt a “construction evaluation resolution” relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution can submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) an adopted recommendation to approve or disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution and submitted an adopted recommendation may contest the DNR’s decision regarding a specific application; and

WHEREAS, by adopting a construction evaluation resolution the board of supervisors agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operation structure received by the board of supervisors between February 1, 2023 and January 31, 2024 and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR; and

WHEREAS, the board of supervisors must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix created in Iowa Code section 459.305, but the board’s recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF KOSSUTH COUNTY that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this construction evaluation resolution pursuant to Iowa Code section 459.304 (3).

Resolution declared adopted this 3rd day of January, 2023.

Chairman, Kossuth County Board of Supervisors

Attest: _____
Tammy Eden, Auditor
Kossuth County

Motion by Waechter and 2nd by Stecker to approve Resolution #01-03-23-02 which determines the depositories of public funds belonging to Kossuth County, Iowa and execute the amount which may be deposited without further approval. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Stecker: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION # 01-03-23-02
DEPOSITORIES**

Determine the depositories of public funds belonging to Kossuth County, Iowa and execute the amount which may be deposited without further approval.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kossuth County Treasurer will utilize the services of the following depositories for the deposit of public funds belonging to Kossuth County, Iowa, or coming into its possession, pursuant to a duly executed amount which may be thus deposited without further approval of this Board and the Treasurer of State is as listed:

<u>NAME OF DEPOSITORY</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>MAXIMUM DEPOSIT UNDER THIS RESOLUTION</u>
IOWA STATE BANK	ALGONA	\$20,000,000.00
FIDELITY BANK & TRUST	BANCROFT	\$9,000,000.00
SECURITY STATE BANK	ALGONA	\$18,000,000.00
FARMERS TRUST & SAVINGS BANK	LAKOTA	\$9,000,000.00
BANK PLUS	SWEA CITY	\$9,000,000.00
FARMERS STATE BANK	ALGONA	\$12,000,000.00
NORTHWEST BANK	ALGONA	\$9,000,000.00

WEST IOWA BANK	WEST BEND	\$9,000,000.00
NORTHWOODS STATE BANK	MASON CITY	\$9,000,000.00
IA PUBLIC AGENCY INVMNT TRUST	DES MOINES	\$9,000,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following officers are hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement, to execute and deliver signature authorization cards to depository concurrently therewith, and to execute all drafts, checks and other documents and correspondence regarding any accounts of Kossuth County, Iowa as established depositories:

NICHOLAS P. RAHM	TREASURER	TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2023
CONNIE LUDWIG	DEPUTY	TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2023
MARLYS JENNINGS	DEPUTY	TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2023

BE IT RESOLVED, that the officers described above are hereby authorized and directed to take such action, and execute such documents and agreements as may be necessary to secure the repayment of the deposits of public funds authorized hereunder, including to, but not limited to: Security Agreements, Bailment Agreements, Notices, and any documents or instruments supplemental or incidental thereto.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Auditor forward a certified copy of this resolution to Depository, and other parties which may request it for purposes of effectuating the deposit of public funds authorized hereunder or any security therefore, together with a certificate attesting to the names and signatures of the present incumbents to the offices described above; and the auditor further certify to Depository or other parties from the time to time the signature of any successor in office of any of the present incumbents.

The above and foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Kossuth County, Iowa this 3rd day of January, 2023.

**Chairman, Kossuth County
Board of Supervisors**

Attest:

Tammy Eden, Kossuth County Auditor

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to approve Resolution #01-03-23-03 which determines the depositories for 2023 for the Kossuth County Recorder and Kossuth County Sheriff with maximum limitations. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Stecker: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #01-03-23-03
DEPOSITORIES
Kossuth County Recorder and Kossuth County Sheriff**

Designate the depositories for 2023 for the Kossuth County Recorder and the Kossuth County Sheriff with maximum limitations.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following banks be designated as depositories for 2023 for the Kossuth County Recorder and the Kossuth County Sheriff with maximum limitations as shown.

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name of Depository/Location</u>	<u>Maximum Deposit</u>
Kossuth County Recorder	Iowa State Bank, Algona	\$50,000.00
Kossuth County Sheriff	Northwest Bank, Algona	\$50,000.00

The above and foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Kossuth County, Iowa this 3rd day of January, 2023.

**Chairman, Kossuth County
Board of Supervisors**

Attest:

Tammy Eden, Kossuth County Auditor

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to approve Resolution #01-03-23-04 which authorizes the Kossuth County Auditor to issue checks for payment against Kossuth County when the board is not in session. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Stecker: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION
01-03-23-04**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Kossuth County, Iowa that pursuant to the provisions of Section 331.506 (3), Code of Iowa, the Auditor of Kossuth County, Iowa is hereby authorized to issue warrants in payment of claims against Kossuth County when the Board is not in session for the following purposes:

1. For fixed charges including, but not limited to, freight, express, postage, water, light, telephone service or contractual services, after a bill is filed with the auditor.
2. For salaries and payrolls if the compensation has been fixed or approved by the board. The salary or payroll shall be certified by the officer or supervisor under whose direction or supervision the compensation is earned for payment to vendors of payroll expenses, health, dental, ipers, FICA, etc.
3. For reimbursements of elected officials, department heads, employees (who have been approved by their department head) attending schools of instruction or seminars for which they have first paid the registration fees, mileage (at the rate established by the Board of Supervisors with the documentation) meals (up to \$20 per day with receipt attached to claim) and hotel accommodations (with receipt attached to claim).
4. For advance to the Sheriff for expenses needing to be covered at a time other than our normal days for paying bills.
5. For payment of expenses to election workers and rent of election facility.
6. For payment to employees for medical claims thru the flex plan. This being authorized under the Board of Supervisors power of Home Rule.

Resolution declared adopted this 3rd day of January, 2023.

Chairman, Kossuth County Board of Supervisors

Attest: _____
Tammy Eden, Kossuth County Auditor

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Waechter to approve the Eminent Domain Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Tjarks to leave the mileage reimbursements rate at the amount the county has set currently of \$.585 per business mile driven. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe; yes, Nath: no, Waechter: no, Stecker: no, Tjarks: yes. Motion failed.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to set the mileage reimbursements at the federal IRS rate of \$.655 per business mile driven. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: no, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Stecker: yes, Tjarks: no. Motion carried.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to allow employees of Kossuth County, Iowa on official business to charge their motel and food bill to Kossuth County, Iowa in 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Waechter to approve the rate of lodging for out of county inmates at \$50.00 per day. The sheriff shall charge \$50.00 per day for Court Ordered Work Release and reimbursements of \$50.00 per day for Jail Room and Board Reimbursement Fees for convicted inmates. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to approve the spending limit for any one item of \$5,000 for Elected Officials and Department Heads. Prior authorization from the Board of Supervisors will be needed if the dollar amount is above \$5,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to approve the amended job description for the Kossuth County Medical Examiner Investigators. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Waechter to appoint Dr. Alan Hjelle as Kossuth County Medical Examiner; Dr. Michael Lampe, Dr. Brent Owen, Dr. John Schantzen, Dr. Rachel Venteicher, Dr. Josiah Brinkley and Dr. Christian Grindberg as Kossuth County Deputy Medical Examiners; and Philip Albers, Charissa Mueller and Cameron Giddings as Medical Examiner Investigators effective January 2, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to appoint Jim Hudson of Hudson Law Firm to handle questions as Drainage Attorney for the year 2023 in Kossuth County. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held with Renee Von Bokern regarding the certification petition filed with the Public Employment Relations Board. A new petition will be submitted for approval at next week's board meeting.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Plathe to approve the increase in NCRERC dues from \$0.76/Capita to \$0.82/Capita for FY22-23 which is a total of \$148.28 more than what was budgeted. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Tjarks to approve Resolution #01-03-23-05 awarding the contract for Bridge Replacement: BRS-C055(198)--60-55 to Graves Construction Co, Inc. of Spencer, IA in the amount of \$653,836.70. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Stecker: yes, Tjarks: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plathe and Seconded by Tjarks to approve the following resolution. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Stecker: yes, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Plathe: yes, Tjarks: yes

**RESOLUTION TO AWARD CONTRACT:
BRS-C055(198)--60-55
Kossuth County Resolution No. 01-03-23-05**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as "the Board", believes the BRS-C055(198)--60-55, hereafter referred to as "the project" is in the best interest of Kossuth County, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as a bridge replacement located on the West line of Section 16, Wesley Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and

WHEREAS, The Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Kossuth County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by Board to accept the bid from Graves Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$653,836.70 and awards the associated contract to the same;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of The Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Kossuth County, Iowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, Douglas A. Miller, the County Engineer for Kossuth County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

January 3, 2023
Dated at Algona, Iowa

Chairperson
Kossuth County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Tammy Eden
Kossuth County Auditor

Motion by Nath and 2nd by Stecker to authorize and give its permission to Al Laubenthal, Whittemore, IA to install 18" corrugated metal pipe for transporting hog manure under 100th Ave., approximately 2,630 feet south of 140th Street. The crossing will be in section 15 Riverdale Township per agreement and permit number MP 22-12-02 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held with the Kossuth County Engineer – Zoning Administrator.

The Kossuth County Compensation Board recommended an increase of 15% for the Sheriff and 8% for the County Attorney, Auditor, Treasurer and Recorder and 5% for the Board of Supervisors for FY 2023-2024.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to accept the recommendation of the Kossuth County Compensation Board. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: pass, Nath: no, Waechter: no, Stecker: yes, Tjarks: no. Motion failed.

Motion by Nath and 2nd by Waechter to reduce the recommendation of the Kossuth County Compensation Board by 50% for the Board of Supervisors and to reduce the recommendation of the Kossuth County Compensation Board by 25% for the County Attorney, Auditor, Treasurer, Recorder and Sheriff. Chairman Tjarks called for a roll call vote: Plathe: pass, Nath: yes, Waechter: yes, Stecker: no, Tjarks: yes. Back to Plathe: no. Motion carried.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Stecker to establish a priority list for natural conservation or wildlife areas to be allowed for property tax exempt status of which is not to exceed 1% of total agricultural land in the county or 3000 acres. The following has been proposed: 1. Open Prairies 2. River and Stream Banks 3. Forest Covers 4. Rivers and Streams 5. Recreational Lakes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Tjarks to re-appoint Megan Rasmussen as District 2 Conservation Board Member. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Plathe approving the appointment of Dona Nielsen to coordinate compliance with the employment nondiscrimination requirements for 2023 – Employees Equal Opportunity Officer. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Waechter to appoint Charissa Mueller as Emergency Management Coordinator for the 2023 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Nath to appoint Phil Albers as EMS Administrator for the 2023 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Stecker to appoint Aaron Montag as the Kossuth County Employee designated to do on-site evaluations for the Master Matrix for the 2023 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nath and 2nd by Waechter to appoint Aaron Montag as Weed Commissioner for the 2023 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Nath to appoint Aaron Montag as Environmental Health Specialist for the 2023 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to appoint Daniel Green as the Full-Time Director of Veteran's Affairs for the 2023 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nath and 2nd by Stecker to appoint Nick Roethler as Safety Director for Secondary Road for 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Tjarks to appoint Doug Miller as Kossuth County Engineer for the 2023 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Tjarks to appoint Doug Miller as Engineer of the Kossuth County Landfill and Transfer Station for the 2023 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Waechter and 2nd by Nath to appoint Doug Miller as Zoning Administrator for the 2023 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to appoint Dustin Hansen as the Manager of the Kossuth County Landfill and Transfer Station for the 2023 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to designate the County Assessor and/or County Conservation Staff to inspect the areas where an application has been filed for forest & fruit tree reservation tax exemption. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nath and 2nd by Stecker to reappoint/appoint the following Township Clerks to 4-year terms expiring December 31, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Buffalo Township: Gene E. Uken
Burt Township: Vickie Madsen
Cresco Township: Jason Etherington
Eagle Township: Steve Lofstrom
Fenton Township: Ron Dacken
Garfield Township: Joe Schmidt
German Township: Jim Franzen
Grant Township: Mark Reynolds
Greenwood Township: Eileen Hagist
Harrison Township: Jack Johnson
Hebron Township: Kerry Mastin
Irvington Township: Stacy Simpson
Ledyard Township: Rodney D Smith
Lincoln Township: Kim Ruby
Lotts Creek Township: Dave Bjustrom
Luverne Township: Margaret Frideres
Plum Creek Township: Verdean Mawdsley
Portland Township: Paul V Larsen
Prairie Township: Rich Rosenmeyer
Ramsey Township: Michael Smidt
Riverdale Township: Michael Kuhlmann
Seneca Township: Roger Jensen
Sherman Township: Duane Heinen
Springfield Township: Dean Engelby
Swea Township: Mark L. Preston
Union Township: Rita Scuffham
Wesley Township: Reuben Skow
Whittemore Township: Jerry Mergen

Motion by Waechter and 2nd by Nath to reappoint/appoint the following Township Trustees to 4-year terms expiring December 31, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Buffalo Township: Robert Brandt, Jordan Peterson
Burt Township: Jeramie Faber, Mike Kadow

Cresco Township: Roger M Batt, Bruce Keith
 Eagle Township: RaDann Dawson, Douglas Gorackowski
 Fenton Township: Nathan Dreyer, Randy Bollinger
 Garfield Township: Mike Reding, Mike Marso
 German Township: Lee Beenken, Gary Boyken
 Grant Township: Kendall Mino, Adam Pedersen
 Greenwood Township: Duane Johannesen, Paul Bormann
 Harrison Township: Phil Reynolds, Brian Johanson
 Hebron Township: Jim Badje, Richard Berg
 Irvington Township: Barb Taphorn, Marg Mergen
 Ledyard Township: Dave Streuber, Duane Looft
 Lincoln Township: Kelvin Koppen, Kimberly Ruby
 Lotts Creek Township: John Walker, Randy Kuecker
 LuVerne Township: Jim Savage, Tom Zentner
 Plum Creek Township: T J Herrick, Alan Seely
 Portland Township: Richard Hellman, Merle Phelps
 Prairie Township: Dale Dornbier, Dana Arndorfer
 Ramsey Township: Robert Blocker, Nathan Hellman
 Riverdale Township: Joe Illg, Tom Thilge2
 Sherman Township: Dean Bormann, Molly Ben:e
 Springfield Township: Craig Runksmeier, Rodney Brandt
 Swea Township: David Harner, Bernard Verbrugge
 Union Township: Ryan Dodds, Allan Hovey
 Wesley Township: Jim Weiland, Tracy Studer
 Whittemore Township: Rod Meyer, Ed Schmidt

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Stecker to appoint Harley Kohlhaas as the City Official on the NIACOG Board and to appoint Maureen Elbert, as the Business Official on the NIACOG Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Nath to appoint Jack Plathe, Dixie Meyer and Dr. Rachel Venteicher to the Board of Health for the terms of 2023 to 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Waechter and 2nd by Stecker to approve the appointment of the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors to the following organizations for 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Board of Directors of the Third Judicial District Department of Corrections.....	Josh Waechter
Boone River Watershed Authority.....	Roger Tjarks & Carter Nath
Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center Board Delegate	Kyle Stecker
Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center Board Alternate	Roger Tjarks
Care Connections of Northern Iowa.....	Carter Nath
Alternate.....	Josh Waechter
De Cat Board	Carter Nath
E-911 Delegate	Roger Tjarks
E-911 Alternate	Josh Waechter
Early Childhood North Central Iowa Board.....	Jack Plathe
Emergency Management Commission.....	Roger Tjarks & Josh Waechter
EMS Advisory Board.....	Roger Tjarks
ICAP Representative.....	Jack Plathe
Kept Advisory Board	Roger Tjarks
Kossuth County Board of Health	Jack Plathe
Kossuth County Economic Development Board Delegate	Josh Waechter
Kossuth County Economic Development Board Alternate.....	Kyle Stecker
Kossuth Waste Management Association Delegate.....	Jack Plathe
Alternate.....	Josh Waechter
NIACOG Board Delegate	Roger Tjarks
NIACOG Alternate.....	Carter Nath
North Central Regional Response Commission Delegate.....	Roger Tjarks
Alternate	Josh Waechter
North Iowa Community Action Organization.....	Carter Nath

Transportation Policy Board Delegate.....Roger Tjarks
Alternate..... Carter Nath
Workforce Development BoardKyle Stecker

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Waechter to appoint Supervisor Nath to serve on the Kossuth County Wellness Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Plathe and 2nd by Nath to appoint Supervisor Tjarks to serve on the Kossuth County Safety Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held with the Kossuth County Auditor.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to adjourn at 11:27 A.M.

Attest:

Tammy Eden
Kossuth County Auditor

Roger Tjarks, Chairman
Kossuth County Board of Supervisors