

Board Minutes Monday April 4, 2022

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:30am April 4, 2022 with Vick, Beard, Langreck, Vermace, and Rustad present.

Lee Bjerke, County Engineer, met with the Board to discuss road matters.

Moved by Beard and seconded by Vermace to approve the contract for project WINN 123-6, box culvert extensions, with K Construction. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rustad and seconded by Vick to approve the offer to buy real estate and acceptance with Charles and Mary Casterton for additional land adjacent to the Locust road shop. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Vick and seconded by Beard to allow Bjerke to proceed with the purchase of a spray patcher under either quote depending on the discretion of the road department staff as to which option would work the best for their department. Motion carried unanimously.

Barb Fjelstul, Helping Services, met with the Board to present a proclamation. Moved by Vick and seconded by Vermace to proclaim April as National Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month in Winneshiek County. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Vick and seconded by Rustad to approve the consent agenda which includes the minutes of the last meeting and to accept and file the Auditor's quarterly report of fees collected. Motion carried unanimously.

Krista Vanden Brink, Public Health Director, met with the Board to present a proclamation. Moved by Rustad and seconded by Vick to proclaim the week of April 4th – 10th as National Public Health Week in Winneshiek County. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board heard comments from Rachel Brummel, Luther College; Wendy Stevens, John Berlage, and Mary Hoffman, Planning & Zoning Commission; and Lindsay Lee, a concerned citizen. Brummel described the contract and planned project as previously agreed to and paid for by the Board. Each of the other speakers presented comments and reasons to pursue the Luther College Natural Resources Survey. After consideration of those comments and discussion amongst the Board, moved by Vermace and seconded by Beard to continue the study by Luther College. Motion carried with Beard, Vermace and Rustad voting aye; and Vick and Langreck voting nay.

Moved by Beard and seconded by Vermace to approve the collective bargaining agreements with AFSCME (Sheriff's Deputies), UE893-69 (road department), and Teamsters 238 (Jailers) as negotiated between the unions and the County's negotiating team. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the insurance renewal and some of the details on specific properties and equipment. They will do some more research and continue the discussion at a later meeting.

Moved by Vick and seconded by Rustad to adjourn to 9:30am Monday, April 11, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST _____

Benjamin D Steines
County Auditor

Daniel Langreck, Chair
Board of Supervisors