

Minutes

Cass County Board of Supervisors

Tuesday, August 29, 2023

The Cass County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the board room at the courthouse with members present: Steve Baier, chair; Stephen Green, Wendy Richter, Mark O'Brien and Bernard Pettinger. Absent: none.

Pettinger moved, Green second, to adopt the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Green moved, O'Brien second, to approve the August 22, 2023 minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Jeremy Butler explained the Atlantic splash pad project, including that it will cost \$600,000. The fund-raising effort has \$250,000 now. Atlantic Municipal Utilities will donate the water. Other communities in southwest Iowa have seen positive economic impacts from their splash pads.

Sheriff Darby McLaren introduced a new deputy, Brandon Taylor.

O'Brien moved, Pettinger second, to approve Resolution 2023-32, Issuing New County Credit Cards and Canceling Existing Credit Cards. Ayes: Baier, Pettinger, Green, O'Brien. Nays: Richter. Motion carried.

O'Brien moved, Pettinger second, to approve the list of employees to be issued credit cards, card limits and employees allowed to sign credit cards as listed below. Auditor Kathy Somers and Deputy Auditor Sheri Karns will be account administrators with full access. All ayes. Motion Carried.

Department	Limit	Issued to	Signers
Assessor	\$5,000	Mary Anstey	Patti Bissell Shana Platt
Attorney	\$2,500	Vanessa Strazdas	Beverly Groves Eva Jensen Stephanie Witzman
Auditor	\$5,000	Kathy Somers	Sheri Karns Dorene South Hannah Richter Dan Proehl Sean Berens
Conservation	\$5,000	Micah Lee	Lora Kanning Ryan Lockwood
Engineer/ Secondary Roads	\$2,500 \$2,500	Trent Wolken Alice Ray	Dennis Vogl Jason Mitchell Mark Knudsen
Jail	\$5,000	John Westering	Joni Knudsen Stephanie Witzman
Landfill	\$2,500	Brandi Mericle	
Recorder	\$2,500	Mary Ward	
Sheriff	\$5,000	Darby McLaren	Joni Knudsen Stephanie Witzman
Sheriff (Deputies)	\$2,500	Cameron Ward	

	\$2,500	Josh McLaren	
	\$2,500	Jaboc Reynolds	
	\$2,500	Brandon Taylor	
	\$2,500	Kyle Quist	
	\$2,500	Ben Bartholomew	
	\$2,500	Tim Olsen	
	\$2,500	Spencer Walton	
Treasurer	\$5,000	Tracey Marshall	
Veteran Affairs	\$2,500	Mitch Holmes	

The board discussed capital project plans, including:

1. County Engineer Trent Wolken explained secondary roads needs larger sheds in Anita, Griswold, Massena and Atlantic in order to fit heavy equipment inside and protect the county's investment from the elements.
2. Micah Lee presented capital project needs of the conservation department including repairs to the Hitchcock House foundation, siding on the Hitchcock House barn, flushing restrooms at Cold Springs Park, a picnic shelter and camp sites near the beach, and improvements to the shelter at Cold Springs Campground.
3. Supervisor O'Brien explained the courthouse boiler, cooling system and windows are on the capital projects list. An architect is coming to look at the windows because the springs in the windows are broken.

County Engineer Trent Wolken reviewed current road and equipment projects.

Debbie Schuler reported on General Relief and Mental Health for the month of July.

Committee reports: Pettinger on Zion Recovery.

At 11:06 a.m. Pettinger moved, Green second, to adjourn. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting Tuesday, September 12, 2023.