

Minutes

Cass County Board of Supervisors

Tuesday, October 24, 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.

O'Brien moved, Richter second, to approve the October 17, 2023 regular board meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

Pettinger moved, Richter second, to approve the October 19, 2023 special board meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

Anita Librarian Sara Young, and librarians from Cumberland, Massena, Lewis, Griswold and Atlantic, presented the Cass county Library association's annual report.

At 9:25 a.m. the Chair recessed and a public hearing was conducted on proposed Amendment 1 of Cass County's Fiscal Year 2024 Budget. There were no verbal or written comments. Green moved, O'Brien second, to close the public hearing. All ayes. Motion carried. At 9:26 a.m., Baier closed the public hearing.

Green moved, Richter seconded, approval of Resolution 2023-38 Approving Amendment 1 of Cass County Fiscal Year 2024 Budget and Appropriating the Same for changes in the budget as a result of federal funds, equipment purchases, payroll changes, employee benefits and opioid settlement funds. Ayes: Baier, Pettinger, Green, Richter, O'Brien. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Diane Schultz, former president of Iowa Mormon Trails Association, explained the National Park Service plans to pay for replacement Mormon Trail signs through Cass County in 2025. They are asking the county to install the new signs. County Engineer Trent Wolken indicated the secondary roads crews could do the installation.

Jim Harrison, with Access Systems, explained that finding parts for the county's Avaya phones is difficult because the company went out of business. Access now offers a hosted phone system and he will prepare a cost comparison for a new system and present it to the board in the future.

County Veteran Affairs Director Mitch Holmes presented the quarterly report.

County Engineer Trent Wolken reviewed current road and equipment projects.

The board discussed projects to include in the capital improvement plan, including projects for secondary roads sheds, window parts and boiler replacement in the courthouse.

Committee reports: Baier on Juvenile Detention; Green on landfill; Pettinger on Zion; Richter on Boost 4 Families.

Filed reports included: Treasurer's Quarterly Investment report, 2023 Weed Commissioner's Report.

At 11:12 a.m. Richter moved, Green second, to adjourn. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting Tuesday, October 31, 2023.