

September 13, 2018

Chairman Straight called the meeting to order with Members King and Utman in attendance. Motion to approve the agenda was made by King, second by Utman. Unanimous approval. Previous minutes were approved on a motion by King, second by Utman. Unanimous approval.

Other attendees: Georgia Johnson and Jacob Snyder

August Bank Reconciliation

Treasurer Shelia Phillips presented the August bank reconciliations to Chairman Straight. All accounts were in order.

DeSoto Refuge Drainage Taxes

Treasurer Phillips received notification from DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge that do not pay drainage taxes. Motion by Utman, second by King to abate \$10,448.27 (Noble Lake Drainage District) and \$2,087.32 (Cut-off Lake Drainage District). Unanimous approval.

Tax Statements

Treasurer Phillips discussed a request from a tax payer to issue tax statements to multiple owners on a single property. The current system only prints one tax statement to the primary owner. Treasurer Phillips uploaded all tax statements to www.iowatreasurers.org website so that tax statements can be printed by anyone.

Motorcycle Skills Testing

Treasurer Phillips informed the Board that she has had to cancel motorcycle skills testing for the past three weeks due to vehicles being parked in the law enforcement's parking lot. The Board will instruct the Sheriff's office to allow motorcycle skills testing in the east parking lot of the law enforcement center on Thursday mornings between 8 and 9 a.m. from April 1st thru October 31st and to make sure all vehicles are removed from the area.

Handwritten Warrant

A handwritten warrant to US Bank in the amount of \$5,167.82 was approved on a motion by Utman, second by King. Unanimous approval.

Cornice Assessment

Franks Design Group submitted an estimate to complete the cornice area needs assessment on the Courthouse in an amount not to exceed \$12,750. Motion to approve by Utman, second by King. Unanimous approval.

Engineer

County Engineer Steven Struble updated the Board on the following projects:

K-45 from Hwy 30 to 250th St & F-50 from I-29 to K-45 – The rock stockpile for shouldering has run out and the new production has not been certified by IDOT for federal aid projects yet so the contractor is not able to continue work until next Monday.

260th Street Culvert Project west of Modale at the Old Soldier Creek – Final plans have been sent to six contractors. Bids are due on September 27th for the culvert installation.

Crews have been busy this dry week to allow for repair work on the slough offs in the Magnolia and Persia areas. Ditch cleaning on 194th St, Sully Ave, and Tyler Avenue is taking place. The blade men are working on level B roads. The Embrace the Hills bike ride route has all been mowed and intersection sight distance checked.

Bids for the pavement marking and center line painting were opened and reviewed. Received bids include: Iowa Plains Signing at \$72,924.00; Quality Striping at \$47,133.35; Highway Signing, Inc. at \$34,965.00; and Vogel Traffic Services at \$25,412.48. Motion to award the bid to Vogel Traffic Services and allow the chair to sign the contract was made by King, second by Utman. Unanimous approval.

Utility permits for Windstream for several locations as shown on the permit and to move an existing line by boring beside the Willow Creek bridge on Easton Trail were approved on a motion by Utman, second by King. Unanimous approval.

Multiplier Resolution

Be it resolved by the Harrison County Board of Supervisors that upon the evaluation of bare land agricultural parcels, occurring at arm's length within Harrison County in 2017; the following factors shall be established as multipliers of the assessed valuations for the purchases in the coming year. These prices shall be applicable to any in progress projects upon acceptance.

Permanent Easement – multiplier is 3.30

Non-agricultural parcels shall be valued at market value without regard to a multiplier.

Motion to approve by Utman, second by King. Unanimous approval.

Living Roadway Trust Fund

Be it resolved by the Harrison County Board of Supervisors that Harrison County, Iowa shall enter into and abide by an agreement dated August 21, 2018 with the Iowa Department of Transportation to accept and use Living Roadway Trust Fund dollars for the purchase of equipment listed below that will be used in the maintenance of Harrison County Road Right of Way.

4x4 off road Utility Task Vehicle in an amount not to exceed \$10,000

Skid Sprayer mountable on UTV in an amount not to exceed \$1,320.

Motion to approve by Utman, second by King. Unanimous approval.

Iowa Negotiation & Consulting Services

Jack Reed offered a service package to Harrison County for HR services through Iowa Negotiation & Consulting Services for a monthly cost of \$700. The Board thanked Mr. Reed for his presentation. No action taken.

Seig Drainage District

The Board met as Trustees for the Seig Drainage District with all members present. Also present were: Susan Bonham, Auditor, Elizabeth Lenz, Drainage Clerk, Steven Struble, Harrison

County Engineer, Jennifer Mumm, Drainage Attorney, Steven Bonham, and Alex Meyer, Larry Meyer, Dick Hansen, David Thien, Kent Thomas, John R. Rand, and Brian Livengood, all interested parties.

Larry Meyer had requested a meeting with the Board to discuss replacing the temporary pump in the district with a permanent pump. The district already has one permanent pump and used the second temporary pump when the water level was high enough to use it. Mr. Meyer explained that it would be easier and save the district money to just have a second permanent pump installed. He presented the Board with two quotes; Grosch Irrigation Co., Inc--\$58,219.85 which included the install of the pump and Hutcheson Engineering Products Inc--\$70,330.00 which did not include install fees. Neither of the quotes included the costs of Shearer Contractors or Harrison County REC for their involvement of placement of a new pump.

Questions were asked between all parties regarding the necessity of a second pump, if a second pump was legal, when the second pump would be ran, does the elevation of the river determine the running of the pump and other discussion.

Ms. Mumm, Drainage Attorney, suggested that the landowners petition to have the district become a trustee district. The landowners said that they would consider this.

The Board directed Jennifer Mumm, Drainage Attorney, to look into whether or not a second pump was legal and to report back with her findings. At that time, a second meeting will be scheduled.

With business of the day completed, the Board adjourned on a motion by King, second by Utman. Unanimous approval.

ATTEST:

Susan Bonham, Auditor

John Straight, Chairman