MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON DECEMBER 17, 2024.

Meeting called to order at 9:01 A.M. by Chairman Wayne Dralle with members Rusty Eddy and Greg Barnett present. Moved by Eddy second by Barnett to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motioned by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve the minutes as read. All ayes. Motion carried.

No public comment was received.

The following elected county officers were sworn in:

* Greg Barnett - Board of Supervisors, District 2
* Leslie Groen – County Auditor
* Jason Johnson – County Sheriff

Board reviewed Resolution #67-24 – Holidays 2025. Motion to approve holidays, minus Juneteenth, by Barnett, second by Eddy. Roll Call was taken: Ayes – Eddy, Dralle, Barnett. Nays – None. After further discussion on holidays, a motion was made by Eddy to amend Resolution #67-24 to observe Christmas Eve as a holiday in 2025, second by Barnett. Roll call was taken: Ayes – Eddy, Dralle, Barnett. Nays – None and Resolution #67-24 was adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION #67-24

HOLIDAYS-2025

BE IT RESOLVED by the Butler County Board of Supervisors that the following holidays be observed by the Butler County Courthouse to conform to the schedule as established by the State and Federal Governments. When the holiday is on a Saturday, it will be observed the day before and when it is on a Sunday, it will be observed the day following:

1. New Year’s Day Wednesday January 1, 2025
2. Presidents’ Day Monday February 17, 2025
3. Good Friday Friday April 18, 2025
4. Memorial Day Monday May 26, 2025
5. Independence Day Friday July 4, 2025
6. Labor Day Monday September 1, 2025
7. Veterans Day Tuesday November 11, 2025
8. Thanksgiving Day Thursday November 27, 2025
9. Day after Thanksgiving Friday November 28, 2025
10. Christmas Eve Wednesday December 24, 2025
11. Christmas Day Thursday December 25, 2025

Upon Roll Call the vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Rusty Eddy NAYS: None ABSENT: N/A

Greg Barnett

Wayne Dralle

WHEREUPON said Resolution was declared duly adopted this 17th day of December 2024.

ATTEST: *Leslie Groen*, County Auditor

Matt Morris, Conservation Director, asked to transfer $46,000 of camping revenue to their reserve account. Motion by Barnett, second by Eddy to authorize Auditor to transfer FY25 revenue to Butler County Conservation reserve accounts. All ayes. Motion carried. Morris also discussed the current status status of their existing shop and provided pictures. After considering Conservation’s needs and other departments needed capital improvements it was decided to have a future meeting to discuss capital projects.

Board recognized Scott Spratt as he is retiring after 20 years of service. John Riherd, Engineer, highlighted Spratt’s service and recognized him for his service.

Board reviewed plans and specifications for T16 asphalt rehabilitation project. Riherd outlined the details of the project including an estimated cost of $2,895,744. Motion by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve the project. All ayes Motion carried.

Board considered DOT funding agreement 2-24-STP-S-041 (T16 project-STP-S-C012(132)--5E-12). Motion by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve the funding agreement. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board considered pledge of support for Secondary Roads Safety Action Plan-Safe streets for all program which we are eligible to apply for a grant through this program. Riherd read the pledge details and asked that the board make a pledge of support for the Safety Action Plan. Motion by Eddy, second by Barnett to pledge support for the Secondary Roads Safety Action Plan.

Board considered Resolution 2017-2024 Approving 28E Agreement & Letter of Support for 2025 RAISE grant application (Packard Bridge over Shell Rock River). Riherd discussed the federal aid grant, which includes seven counties. Butler County has volunteered to be the lead on the joint grant as the primary recipient. Motion by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve a letter of support. Roll call was taken: Ayes – Eddy, Dralle, Barnett. Nays - None

Board considered Secondary Road Department handbook addendum – Overtime Policy. Riherd explained the changes in the handbook are needed as the transition from a union to the County Handbook has taken place. He would like to establish some written amendments to the current handbook to accommodate the needs of the Secondary Roads Department. Motion to approve by Barnett, second by Eddy. All ayes. Motion carried.

An Engineer’s update was provided. Projects are being completed and he has reviewed quotes for a new motor grader. He feels that he has received a good quote that falls in line with other recent bids other counties have received.

Motion by Eddy, second by Barnett to enter a closed session to discuss a Performance Review for Sara Trepp. Motion by Eddy, second by Barnett to return to open session.

Motioned by Eddy, second by Barnett to approve claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board acknowledged receipt of Manure Management Plan Short Form Annual Updates for Freedom Farm #63423.

Motioned by Barnett, second by Dralle to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:36 A.M. to December 23, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. All ayes. Motion carried.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa on December 17, 2024.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Butler County Auditor Chairman of the Board of Supervisors