

REGULAR SESSION

JUNE 19,2023

The Union County Board of Supervisors met in Regular Session on Monday June 19, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 9:00AM with the following members present; Dennis Brown and Rick Friday.

AGENDA: Motion by Brown and seconded by Friday to approve the agenda. All voting aye, motion carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Brown and seconded by Friday to approve the minutes from June 12th, 2023. All voting aye, motion carried.

OPEN FORUM: Pam Hoffman presented and read a letter of concern on the wind turbines and would like to see 8-10 times the tower height setback for nonparticipants with the option for those who choose to opt out, be able to sign a letter stating so.

ENGINEER: Christian Boehmer, Union County Engineer, discussed and presented a joint project between Union County and Ringgold County for bridge plan L-Tingley01(1)—73-80. Motion by Brown and seconded by Friday to sign the joint plans between Union County and Ringgold County for Bridge Project L-Tingley01(1)—73-80. All voting aye, motion carried. Al Hysell, Union County Roads Supervisor, presented and discussed the maintenance activity report. **Equipment Quotes:** Hysell presented 3 quotes for a brush cutter/mower as follows: Vetter Equipment, Star Equipment, LTD and Rueter’s. Motion by Brown and seconded by Friday to approve the quote from Vetter Equipment for an 84” Vail x Series Brush Cutter XBC2-8520-MB High Flow for \$16,500 plus pallet forks for \$1,440. All voting aye, motion carried.

CLERK’S REPORT: Motion by Friday and seconded by Brown to accept the monthly Union County Clerk’s Report, as presented by Union County Auditor, Sandy Hysell. All voting aye, motion carried.

LETTER OF REQUEST: Motion by Brown and seconded by Friday to approve the request from Penny Carson to do a Bible reading on July 14th, 2023, on the Courthouse lawn starting at 7:14am which is in conjunction with the 99 Iowa Counties Bible Reading Marathon. All voting aye, motion carried.

TICKET TO WORK FUND: Jesse Bolinger discussed the Ticket to Work Fund that the board had submitted, which was denied, for help with work that needs to be done on the county elevator. The Grant Money is to be used for what is deemed appropriate for people with disabilities. Bolinger disagreed with the group that awards the funds, for not awarding the funds to Union County, he felt this would have been a good use of funds for people with disabilities.

Hopkins arrived at 10:15AM

OPIOID FUNDS REQUEST: Motion by Brown and seconded by Hopkins to award \$60,000 (a one-time seed money request) from the nationwide opioid settlement to get the Prevention Education started at the Creston Community School as presented by Brittany Palmer, Executive Director Crossroads. All voting aye, motion carried.

WORKSHOP – ORDINANCE #73 WIND TURBINES: Board discussed looking at some possible changes to Ordinance #73-Wind Turbines. The board will take a section at a time and look over. Hopkins, Brown, and Friday did their own research on setbacks and presented it to each other. Present to listen to discussion were as follows: Luke Baker, Kim Baker, Clint Hoffman, Thad Sickels, John Baker, Retta Baker, Leslie Wurster, Roger Vicker, Francine Ide, Craig Hoffman, and Chad Ide.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:35AM

BY: _____
RICK FRIDAY, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____
SANDY HYSELL, AUDITOR