

# PROCEEDINGS: IDA COUNTY BOS • JAN. 24 MINUTES

**IDA GROVE, IOWA  
JAN. 24, 2023**

The Board of Supervisors convened in adjourned session, members present Chair Creston Schubert and Devlun Whiteing. Raymond Drey was absent.

Minutes of the meeting held Jan. 10, 2023 were read and approved with the following correction: The Board convened in adjourned session, members present were Chair Creston Schubert, Raymond Drey and Devlun Whiteing.

It was noted that the Board met on Jan. 23, 2023 at 3 p.m. to meet with Ryan Berven, Assured Partners and Brad Holten, ISAC Representative with regards to the ISAC Health, Dental, Accident and Vision renewal. It was the consensus of the Board to possibly offer both ISAC Health Plan 11C and Plan 16 to the employees as an option for family health coverage. The Board also reviewed various budgets.

On Jan. 24, 2023 County Engineer Jeff Williams requested that the agenda be amended for consideration of a salary certification for a mechanic and a claim for Dixon Construction. Schubert moved to amend the agenda to include said request and Whiteing seconded the motion and it carried, all voting Aye.

Schubert moved to approve Curtis Miesner as a mechanic effective Feb. 6, 2023 at \$26.00 per hour and \$1.50 increase once he obtains a CDL. Whiteing seconded the motion and it carried, all voting Aye.

A motion by Whiteing and seconded by Schubert to approve a claim from Dixon Construction in the amount of \$449.23 from the Secondary Road Fund. Motion carried, all voting Aye.

Schubert moved to approve a \$2.00 per hour salary increase for Andy Johnson as Lead Man Position totaling \$27.42. Motion carried, all voting Aye.

Whiteing moved to approve Gus Construction pay vouchers in the amount of \$8,598.62 and \$10,847.51 from the Secondary Road Fund. Schubert seconded the motion and it carried, all voting Aye.

County Attorney Meghann Whitmer was present to review her budget and she also discussed the possibility of offering county paid family coverage for elected officials.

Joe Lageschulte requested to be the Weed Commissioner for 2023. Schubert moved and Whiteing seconded a motion to approve his request at a rate of \$28.18 per hour effective Jan. 24, 2023. Motion carried, all voting Aye. Discussion was also held on Midwest Spray Team, spraying roadside trees. They were unable to complete this last year due to lack of employees. Lageschulte will try to find another

spraying company at his training conference.

The Board then held a bargaining strategy phone conference with Renee Von Bokern. This session was exempt from open meetings requirements.

Zach Hall, Conservation Director and Corey Trucke, EMS Director were present to review their budgets.

Dick Sievers, Mid-Sioux Director and Laura Benson Mid-Sioux Staff were present to review the annual report and requested \$6,500 for FY-24 budget.

Whiteing moved and Schubert seconded a motion to approve the Clerk of Court report. Motion carried, all voting Aye.

A motion by Whiteing to approve Resolution 23-3 compensation for Township Clerks and Trustees at \$15 per hour with a minimum of \$30.00 per meeting. Schubert seconded the motion and it carried, all voting Aye.

Schubert moved to approve the resignation of Stephanie Konradi as a member of the Compensation Commission for Eminent Domain Proceedings. Whiteing seconded the motion and it carried, all voting Aye.

A motion to approve and authorize the Chair to sign Solutions network resources while offsite for Appraiser Claudia Comstock and for Dalton Treiber, Assessor Administrative Assistant was made by Whiteing and seconded by Schubert. Motion carried, all voting Aye.

Whiteing moved to approve and authorize the Chair to sign a Siouxland Regional Transit System agreement with the City of Ida Grove in the amount of \$5,349. Schubert seconded the motion and it carried, all voting Aye.

A motion by Schubert and seconded by Whiteing to approve and authorize the Chair to sign a purchase order agreement for a John Deere Snow Blower in the amount of \$3,500 from C & B Operations, LLC. Motion carried, all voting Aye.

It was the consensus of the Board to disapprove a quote from C & B Operations, LLC for a John Deere Tractor mower without a deck. They will consider the purchase for the next fiscal year.

The following claims were approved from the Self-Funding Fund-Benefits, Inc-\$453.05 and \$1,836.88.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned to meet again at 10 a.m., Friday, Jan. 27, 2023 for union negotiations and Feb. 1, 2023 at 4 p.m. and Feb. 10, 2023 at 9 a.m. or on call of the Chair.

/s/ Lorna Steenbock  
Auditor

/s/ Creston Schubert  
Chair