

**Dickinson County Board of Supervisors
December 19, 2023**

8:30 A.M. Present are Supervisors Kim Wermersen, Steve Clark-telephonically, Jeff Thee, Tim Fairchild Vice-Chairperson and Chairperson Bill Leupold.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag was recited by those present.

Andrew Fisher, YMCA CEO, present with an update and FY '25 funding request. No action was taken as the request will be considered at budget time.

Rebecca Peters, Director of Okoboji Tourism, present with an update and FY '25 funding request. No action was taken as the request will be considered at budget time.

Moved by Wermersen, seconded by Thee, to approve the liquor license application for Okoboji View Golf Course. Roll call vote: Wermersen-aye, Thee-aye, Clark-aye, Fairchild-aye, and Leupold-aye.

Moved by Fairchild, seconded by Wermersen, to approve the December 12, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes. Roll call vote: Fairchild-aye, Wermersen-aye, Clark-aye, Thee-aye, and Leupold-aye.

Moved by Fairchild, seconded by Clark, to approve the drainage claim to Goodwin Law Office for DD48 in the amount of \$3,750. Roll call vote: Fairchild-aye, Clark-aye, Wermersen-aye, Thee-aye, and Leupold-aye.

Spencer Pech, Civil Engineer, and Rachael Millage, Graduate Engineer, present for an informational meeting on DD19. Millage explained to the board existing findings within the drainage district and proposed options for the tile improvement. After further discussion, it was moved by Wermersen, seconded by Fairchild, to proceed with a 2D modeling design and preliminary engineering report with improvement options. Roll call vote: Wermersen-aye, Fairchild-aye, Clark-aye, Thee-aye, and Leupold-aye.

Spencer Pech and Rachael Millage are also present for the DD44 informational meeting. Millage explained to the board existing findings within the drainage district and proposed options for the tile improvement. After further discussion, it was moved by Wermersen, seconded by Fairchild, to proceed with the final preliminary engineering report and pre-construct the reclassification for the main tile and branch 37-50. Roll call vote: Wermersen-aye, Fairchild-aye, Clark-aye, Thee-aye, and Leupold-aye.

Alissa Holtz, IT Director, present on discussion of always posting the Board of Supervisor YouTube recordings on the county website for access. After further discussion, it was moved by Clark to put the link on the website but died for a lack of a second. The recordings will remain as per individual request to be sent to them directly as it currently is.

Moved by Wermersen, seconded by Fairchild, to approve the FY '25 Elected Officials wage increase of Sheriff at 6.42% and all other elected officials at 4.29%, a 35% drop from the recommendation of the compensation board. Roll call vote: Wermersen-aye, Fairchild-aye, Clark-absent, Thee-aye, and Leupold-aye.

Moved by Fairchild, seconded by Thee, to approve the FY '25 non-elected wage increase of 4.29%. Roll call vote: Fairchild-aye, Thee-aye, Wermersen-aye, Clark-absent, and Leupold-aye.

Moved by Wermersen, seconded by Fairchild, to approve the request for repairs in drainage district #6. Roll call vote: Wermersen-aye, Fairchild-aye, Clark-absent, Thee-aye, and Leupold-aye.

Moved by Wermersen, seconded by Fairchild, to approve the request for repairs in drainage district #19. Roll call vote: Wermersen-aye, Fairchild-aye, Clark-absent, Thee-aye, and Leupold-aye.

Moved by Wermersen, seconded by Thee, to approve the request for repairs in drainage district #5. Roll call vote: Wermersen-aye, Thee-aye, Clark-absent, Fairchild-abstained, and Leupold-aye.

Collin Klingbeil, present, on further discussion in regard to the dissolution of DD50. Landowners were present and all agreed that they would not like to be part of a drainage district anymore. The cost associated with a reclassification and repair and/or improvements are not feasible or desirable to the landowners. A petition will need to be filed in the auditor's office requesting the dissolution of DD50.

The Board gave their board and committee reports and continued into general discussion.

Moved by Thee, seconded by Wermersen, to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5 (1) (c). Roll call vote: Thee-aye, Wermersen-aye, Fairchild-aye, Clark-aye, and Leupold-aye.

Moved by Wermersen, seconded by Thee, to go out of closed session. All voted aye.

Moved by Clark, seconded by Thee, to approve Bob Goodwin and Steve Goodlow to sign the stipulated order from case #EQCV031482 and present it to the City of Spirit Lake. Roll call vote: Clark-aye, Thee-aye, Wermersen-aye, Fairchild-aye, and Leupold-aye.

There being no further items presented to the board, moved by Wermersen, seconded by Thee, to adjourn. All but Clark who was absent voted aye. Meeting adjourned to the call of the Chairperson at 12:37 p.m.

William Leupold, Chairperson

Lori Pedersen, Auditor