

MINUTES February 3, 2025
DUBUQUE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Chair Harley Pothoff, Vice-Chairperson Ann McDonough, Wayne Kenniker

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LET THE RECORD SHOW that all approvals, consent items, appointments, motions, claims, warrants, receipts, proclamations, recesses, adjustments, resolutions, permits, and public hearings, were approved unanimously, unless otherwise noted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Philip Crnkovic, Dubuque, spoke about the Generator and Key West Improvement projects. David Puls, Dubuque, commented on Hochrein Road conditions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 21, 2025

PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES

Receipt of Bids – One (1) Generator and Two (2) Transfer Switches. **Motion made by Supervisor McDonough, seconded by Supervisor Pothoff to receive and forward. Supervisor Kenniker voting nay. Motion passed.**

Notice of Bidders – pipe culverts/extension & slope improvement on Graf Rd, Project LFM-C25(05)—7X-31

Notice to Bidders – bridge replacement on Hosch Rd, Project L-B25(04)—73-31

Notice to Bidders – bridge replacement on O’Brien Rd, Project L-B25-(03)—73-31

PUBLIC HEARING

Proof of Publication – Public Hearing

Public Hearing – Amendment #2 to the FY2025 Secondary Roads Five Year Construction Program

Resolution 25 – 026 – approved Amendment #2 to the FY2025 Dubuque County Secondary Road Five Year Construction Budget

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution 25 – 027 – approved the hiring of deputies, assistants and clerks

Resolution 25 – 028 – approved the final progress voucher for the HMA Resurfacing 5.4 miles with Milling project on Bernard Road and Twelve Mile Road, Project FM-C031(120)—55-31

Resolution 25 – 029 – approved updated Dubuque County Integrated Roadside Vegetation Management Plan

Resolution 25 – 030 – approved plans and specifications for the pipe culverts/extension & slope improvement on Graf Rd, Project LFM-C25(05)—7X-31

Resolution 25 – 031 – approved plans and specifications for the bridge replacement on Hosch Rd, Project L-B25(04)—73-31

Resolution 25 – 032 – approved plans and specifications for the bridge replacement on O’Brien Rd, project L-B25(03)—73-31

Resolution 25 – 033 – approved a lease with the Dubuque County Fair Association

COMMUNICATIONS

Voluntary annexation to the City of Dyersville

APPOINTMENTS

Open Vacancies – informational only

SUPERVISORS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS UPDATES –Discussion and updates from Supervisors, boards, commissions, and other meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Karl Stiegletz, Dubuque, spoke about being in support of employee dollar increases verses percentage. He also commented on the Generator project. Clark Schloz, Dubuque, spoke about employee hourly increases. Dale Leslein, Dubuque, requested a sign for ATV's on Budd Rd. Clarie Gill, Dubuque Area Chamber of Commerce, commented on Dubuque County's work on the renewable energy ordinance. Rick Dickenson, Greater Dubuque Development Corporation, commented on the renewable energy ordinance and offered help with creating.

Recess 10:27 a.m. – 10:37 a.m.

WORK SESSION – Dubuque County Engineer report and general discussion. Dubuque County Engineer Russell Weber reviewed the Key West Shop Improvements from Origin Design. He will present options regarding the improvements at a future meeting.

WORK SESSION – Discussion and possible action with Dubuque County Sheriff Joe Kennedy on the jail boiler room project and personnel issue. Sheriff Kennedy informed the Supervisors that the boiler project was going to cost significantly more now. Supervisors asked that he add it to capital projects during his Budget session. Sherrif Kennedy reminded Supervisor of a staff member being deployed. Consensus from Supervisors to move forward with hiring immediately.

WORK SESSION – Presentation from Chandra Ravada from ECIA regarding ECIA's Annual Report and Funding request. Jennifer Walker from ECIA also asked that Supervisors consider continuing to fund staff for the Homeless Hotline with current ARPA money ending June 30, 2025.

Recess 11:43 a.m. – 11:48 a.m.

WORK SESSION – Discussion and possible action regarding the funding dispute with the MHDS East Central Region.

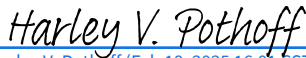
Motion to enter closed session by Supervisor McDonough, seconded by Kenniker

Entered closed session at 11:51 a.m.

Exited closed session at 1:47 p.m.

WORK SESSION – Discussion and possible action on the status of the recommended changes to the Patient Advocate position. Motion by Supervisor Kenniker to change the Patient Advocate position to full-time exempt to be effective upon confirmation of funding available from the region, seconded by Supervisor McDonough. Motion approved.

Adjourn 1:51 p.m.


Harley V. Pothoff (Feb 18, 2025 16:01 CST)
Harley V Pothoff, Chair
Dubuque County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:


Keith Lucy (Feb 18, 2025 16:52 CST)
Keith Lucy, Dubuque County Auditor