

February 12, 2025

Board members present for regular session at 9:00 a.m. were: Baier, Christoffersen, and Walker. Hoadley joined via conference phone. Wedemeyer was absent. Also present: Mandy Berg and Melissa Larson. Ric Hansen – KJAN, Mandy Billings – KSOM, Jennifer Nichols – Atlantic News Telegraph, joined via conference phone.

All motions were approved unanimously unless noted otherwise.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Walker and seconded by Christoffersen to approve the agenda as posted. Approved.

MINUTES: Moved by Walker and seconded by Christoffersen to approve the minutes from February 5, 2025. Approved.

CLAIMS: Moved by Walker and seconded by Hoadley to approve the following claims:

AUXILIANT	HRA INS TRUST CLAIMS	\$114.24
	GRAND TOTAL	\$114.24
8500- ADAIR COUNTY INS TRUST		\$114.24
	GRAND TOTAL	\$114.24

Approved.

TAXABLE MILEAGE: Moved by Walker and seconded by Christoffersen to approve the taxable mileage for Matt Wedemeyer for \$676.57. Approved. Nick Kauffman entered at 9:02 a.m.

MONTHLY REPORTS: Moved by Christoffersen and seconded by Walker to acknowledge receipt of the monthly reports. Approved.

FAMILY FARM & AGLAND DISALLOWANCES: Moved by Walker and seconded by Hoadley to approve the 2024 Family Farm and Agland disallowances and for the chair to sign the disallowance letters. Approved.

ATTORNEY: Thomson Reuters/Westlaw Subscription – Attorney Melissa Larson stated that the County has been subscribing to a law library plan since she has come on as County Attorney. In 2017, the Board signed a two-year contract with Thomson Reuters and after that, the contract automatically renewed for another 6 years, which ends in October of this year. Larson has done some research and thinks that switching to an online subscription with Westlaw would not only save the County money, but would be more beneficial to her and others that use it. We are currently paying \$494.85/month where if we switched to the online subscription, our new fee would be \$204.75/month. Larson believes she has it worked out that we could end our contract early since we are switching to a different Thomson Reuters product. Moved by Walker and seconded by Christoffersen to authorize Attorney Larson to sign the 12-month contract with Westlaw for \$204.75/month for the online subscription per Larson’s recommendation. Approved. Larson exited at 9:10 am.

ENGINEER: Sign Plans – Engineer Kauffman discussed the P-48 Resurfacing project. The whole project is estimated to cost \$2.1 million dollars with the County’s share being \$608,535. The letting date for this project is May 20th. Moved by Christoffersen and seconded by Walker to sign the plans for the P-48 Resurfacing project HSIP-SWAP-C025(135)—FJ-25. Approved. Nick Rasmussen entered at 9:16 a.m.

Report of Maintenance & Activities – Engineer Kauffman gave update on the following projects: they out plowing today with the snow; have been stockpiling rock; they have bought a new tv for safety trainings in the breakroom and wanted to know if the Board would like the old tv to use; the City of Adair may be approaching the Board about helping bankroll, with intent of paying the County back, the total reconstruction of Delta N54 including the storm sewer, which would be about a \$2 million dollar project; they are back on track with the FEMA project and moving forward; they filed an appeal with the fuel tax refund and got their retailers license and the appeal has been approved and they have removed all penalties, and Murphy W22 Lee Project.

Supervisor Walker stated that he has been informed that MidAmerica is planning on constructing a 25-30 meters tall tower in the NE part of the County that would control the wind turbine lights in that part on the County – the lights would only turn on when a plane flies over. This may also be done for the other wind turbines in the County and Walker has asked that when plans are finalized that they come to the Board to share those plans.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Christoffersen and seconded by Walker to adjourn at 9:26 a.m. Approved.

ADAIR COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: _____ Nathan Baier, Chair

ATTEST: _____ Mandy Berg, Auditor