

February 28, 2023

The Cedar County Commissioners met in the Boardroom of the Cedar County Courthouse at 8:30 am and the meeting was called to order as advertised, with Craig Bartels, David McGregor and Dick Donner answering roll call. Also, present County Clerk David Dowling. Chairman Bartels stated the open meetings laws are posted on the wall for public inspection.

Motion was made by Bartels and seconded by Donner to approve the agenda. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. Motion was made by Donner and seconded by Bartels to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Road Supt., Carla Schmidt reported on billing out the expenses on the meeting with the speaker and stated other counties will be paying us. Carla then informed the board that NIRMA insurance will be coming out March 22 to inspect all the shops in the county. Carla updated each commissioner on box culvert projects in their districts.

Zoning Administrator, Tim Gobel presented the following building permits, John Cook 16 x 20 addition, Dean Heine 2 grain bins, Ken Bruning grain bin and Greg and Diane Dickes for a roofed area. Gobel stated that is all he had to report at this time.

Emergency Manager, Kevin Garvin supplied three bids for tower base and foundation for Cedar County tower project. Motion was made by McGregor and seconded by Bartels to accept low bid from Henry Well Company to construct foundation and tower base for new tower project. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Transit Manager, Nikki Pinkelman met with the board to present a two-year budget proposal for Cedar County to submit to the State. Motion was made by McGregor and seconded by Bartels to approve the transit budget for the next two fiscal years with Federal Funds at \$930,430.00, State Funds at \$313,385.00 and Cedar County at \$313,385.00. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. Motion was then made by Bartels and seconded by McGregor to include in the budget to purchase two new vans for to cost of \$130,000.00 with Cedar County's cost at \$13,000.00. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Motion was made by Bartels and seconded by Donner to approve tax correction on parcel 6220 as presented by assessor. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Brad Slaughter from Piper Jaffray met with the board to discuss issuing a bond issue for Cedar County road overlay projects. Motion was made by Donner and seconded by Bartels to approve resolution 23-02 for authorizing the issuance of highway allocation fund bonds 2023 for Cedar County overlay project expenses. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Nicholas Brand with U.S. Department of Homeland Security met with courthouse officials and made presentation on homeland security regarding cyber security within the county courthouse. Mr. Brand stated the department would like to do a security check of the offices regarding hacking within the county office computer systems and networks. Chairman McGregor signed agreement with Department of Homeland Security to work on checking the current network system.

With no further business or agenda items the meeting was declared adjourned.

ATTEST:

David Dowling, County Clerk

APPROVED:

David McGregor, Board Chairman