

**MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2024.**

Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Chairman Wayne Dralle with members Rusty Eddy and Greg Barnett present. Moved by Barnett second by Eddy to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motioned by Eddy, second by Barnett to approve the minutes as read. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leslie Groen, Auditor, commented that the Facilities Management position has been posted.

Board considered Resolution #1096-2024 to Fix a Date of Public Hearing at Which it is Proposed to Take Action on a Long-Term Lease Agreement for Real Property owned by Butler County, IA. Matt Morris, Conservation Director, discussed the long-term lease agreement. Motioned by Barnett, second by Eddy to set the Public Hearing Date for February 27, 2024. The roll was called and Resolution 1096-2024 was adopted as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 1096-2024  
TO FIX A DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING AT WHICH IT IS PROPOSED  
TO TAKE ACTION ON A LONG-TERM LEASE AGREEMENT FOR REAL PROPERTY  
OWNED BY BUTLER COUNTY, IA.**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa, proposes a long-term lease agreement for the following real property:

“Greene Milldam” shall mean milldam, powerhouse, and all appurtenances thereto known as the Green Milldam, U.S.C.E. Id number LA01298 and described as:

A parcel located in the SE ¼ SW ¼ Sec. 1, T93N, in Butler County Iowa and 30x239 Ft. Spillway and 43-foot intake section of the Shell Rock River in City of Greene, Iowa, Butler County.

Including all waterpowers, flowage rights, easements, ingress, and egress rights in the bed, banks and shores of the Shell Rock River used or usable in connection with the operation of the facility for hydroelectric energy production.

WHEREAS, Iowa Code 331.361 requires proposals to dispose of interest in county-owned real property shall be set forth in a resolution;

WHEREAS, Iowa Code 331.361 further requires published notice of the time and place of a public hearing for any such proposals, in accordance with section 331.305;

WHEREAS, after the public hearing, the board may make a final determination on the proposal by resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa, as follows:

Section 1. This Board will meet at the Butler County Courthouse, Allison, Iowa on February 27, 2024, at which time and place a public hearing will be held in which any and all interested persons may submit in writing, or appear, and file an objection to the proposed plan to sell or lease unused real property.

Section 2. The County Auditor is hereby directed to give notice on the proposed action for considering a long-term lease agreement, setting forth the time when and place where the said meeting will be held, by publication at least once weekly, and of general circulation in the County. The Notice shall be in substantially the following form:

**LEGAL NOTICE  
NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION FOR LONG-TERM LEASE AGREEMENT OF  
PROPERTY OWNED BY BUTLER COUNTY, IA**

The Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa, will hold a public meeting at 9:00 A.M. on February 27, 2024, at the Butler County Courthouse, Allison, IA for the purpose of considering a proposal of a long-term lease agreement for the following real property:

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At that time and place, oral or written objections may be filed or made to the proposal of a long-term lease agreement. After receiving objections, the County may determine to enter into a long-term lease agreement.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa.

Leslie Groen, Butler County Auditor

Section 3. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4. This resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its approval and adoption, as provided by law.

UPON Roll Call the vote thereon was as follows: AYES: Rusty Eddy                      NAYS: None  
Wayne Dralle  
Greg Barnett

WHEREUPON the Resolution was declared duly adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024.

ATTEST:

*Wayne Dralle*  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

*Leslie Groen, County Auditor*

During the FY25 Budget Workshop, Leslie Groen, County Auditor, discussed the County budgeting process, the Compensation Board recommendations salary reduction process, and updated the Board on the outcome of current changes made to the general basic fund and shared other options that are still being researched. Groen would like to meet twice per week to hold budget workshop sessions and keep the budgeting process on track. The Board set a date and time for two additional budget workshop sessions on February 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. and February 22 at 9:00 a.m.

John Riherd, Engineer, provided an Engineer's Update. Continuing to work on RAISE Grant, which will be turned in after a couple of weeks. They have received support letters from local businesses. They are working on a flood study for the city of New Hartford and have gathered field data for the study. The Unverferth bridge has been coming along well.

Motioned by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board acknowledged receipt of Manure Management Plan Short Form Annual Updates for RIG 3 Bennezette #60134 and DCI Bennezette 2 #71200.

Motioned by Barnett, second by Eddy to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:56 A.M. to February 20, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. All ayes. Motion carried.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa on February 13, 2024.

Attest: *Leslie Groen*  
Butler County Auditor

*Wayne Dralle*  
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors