

October 27, 2020

The Page County Board of Supervisors met in session on this 27th day of October 2020, with Jon Herzberg, Chuck Morris, and Alan Armstrong present. On a motion from Armstrong, seconded by Herzberg, the board moved to approve the agenda. Present from the public were JD King, Jacob Holmes, John VanNostrand, Jesse Stimson, Tim Johnson, Tracy Grossoehme, Whitney Grossoehme, Tasha Stimson, Ashley Urokoski, Ryan Urokoski, Charles McCalla, and Lyle Palmer. Attending via zoom are Ryan Matheny, Jess Erdman, and Darin Sunderman.

King gave a roads update. Snow plows were out yesterday on pavements. Blade operators are burning brush. As the weather returns to more seasonal weather, the crews will return to more normal activities. The base stabilization crew placed rock last week on M44 and will grind in tomorrow. On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong, the board moved to approve the contract 36-CO36-078 with Fremont County, BROS CHBP-CO36(78)-GA-36 and Page County BRS-CHBP-CO73(123)-GB-73 to A.M. Cohron & Sons, Inc. Herzberg, aye, Armstrong, aye, Morris, aye. Motion carried 3 to 0. On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong, the board moved to approve to sign resolution delegating electronic signature authority to King, Page County Engineer.

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WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as "the Board", believes the project BRS-C073(123)--GB-73 and BROSCHBP-C036(78)--GA-36, hereafter referred to as "the project" is in the best interest of Page County and Fremont County respectively, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as a 110' x 30' PPCB Bridge on 140th Street over the West Tarkio River and a 67' x 30' PPCB Bridge on Manti Rd In Fremont ; and

WHEREAS, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and

WHEREAS, The Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Page County and Fremont County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by Board to accept the bid from A.M. Cohron & Son, Inc. in the amount of \$1,974,343.59 and awards the associated contract(s) to the same;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of The Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Page County, Iowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, James D. King, P.E., the County Engineer for Page County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

Dated at Clarinda, Iowa, this 27th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:

Melissa Wellhausen
Page County Auditor

Chuck Morris
Alan Armstrong
Jon W. Herzberg
Page County Board of Supervisors

On a motion by Armstrong, seconded by Herzberg, the board moved to approve the tax abatement requested by the City of Shenandoah on 88-0520358135000.

RESOLUTION #40-2020

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Page County, Iowa, sitting in session on this 27th day of October, 2020, that we hereby approve the abatement of all taxes on the following property owned by the City of Shenandoah:

Lot 3 of Subdivision of Lots 103 to 111, inclusive, in East Shenandoah, an Addition to the City of Shenandoah, Page County, Iowa.

Also known as Parcel #88-0520358135000 (905 Vista Avenue)

Dated this 27th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:

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Page County Board of Supervisors

On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong, the board moved not to meet on November 3, 2020, Election Day.

Auditor Wellhausen provided the board with an update regarding the upcoming General Election. Voter turnout is up, with over 3,700 registered voters already voting absentee. Over 3,100 ballots have already been received back, which is over 85% of ballots already received. There are 10,464 registered voters in Page County.

Kory Kline gave an update regarding the OCIO Chief Information Office Memorandum of Understanding. This provides additional security for the courthouse. On a motion by Armstrong, seconded by Herzberg, the board moved to approve the Chief Information Office MOU.

The board discussed that 911 needs two new Plantronics wireless ptt for consoles for 911. The board did not see this was an issue and recognized that Grebert did not have this in his budget.

Greg Wilde and Sid Samuels with the Samuels Group discussed jail planning and the need for a new jail facility in Page County. Sid Samuels discussed what Page County is doing regarding Chapter 50 within the Code of Iowa. Samuels stated they can go in and analyze what is needed for the jail and what needs to be done. Samuels stated it is critical to educate the public and then hold a referendum vote. He stated it is critical to let the people know what the true needs of the jail are. Sheriff Palmer initially put a meeting together in February but was postponed due to COVID. Morris stated questions regarding where you put a jail and if you put the dispatchers with the jail need to be addressed. It is also important to look at consolidation of the court system and how that impacts the jail. Palmer stated the Samuels group looks at what can be done with the current facility and what can be done down the road. Palmer stated costs continue to increase and something needs to be done regarding the current facility or building a new facility. He stated there are a lot of needs that need to be met. Samuels stated what you currently have needs to be evaluated first. He stated it is doing your homework so that when the public questions how Page County is spending the money, there are accurate responses. He stated interest rates are low right now so bonds are selling for very low interest rates. Morris asked if the board wanted to engage with Samuels Group what is the next step. Samuels stated it would be to engage in a proposal. Herzberg asked the projected cost of Guthrie County's jail with dispatch. Samuels stated it was \$9.2 million to build the facility.

Tracey Grossoehme spoke during the public comment time. She stated she has been increasingly concerned over the Industrial Wind Turbine issue. She stated she is questioning and needs to see facts to believe it. She questioned how decisions were reached and why more research was not done regarding the turbines.

Ryan Urkoski spoke during the public comment time. Urokoski questioned if it had been decided if the board would allow the meeting against wind turbines to be placed on the website. Morris stated the meeting was not government sponsored so it would not be allowed. Urokoski asked if the board would consider holding another debate with a panel against wind turbines. Morris stated he would consider it.

Jesse Stimson spoke during the public comment time. He stated the meeting for turbines was held perfectly before the election. He stated it is terrible that the board will not hold a meeting against the wind turbines before the election to provide both sides of the turbines.

Ashley Urokoski spoke during the public comment time. She stated during the zoom meeting one of the presenters stated if people did not like the turbines they should move out of the county. She found this disheartening. The presenter also spoke of how hotels increased while turbines were being build but did not address whether there were more or less citizens after the turbines were build. She also questioned the health effects of turbines. She stated there is a health effect to everything we do in life. She stated also several blades have broken in Iowa and surrounding areas. Urokoski stated the ordinance that was in place in 1997 protected citizens from the wind turbines. The new ordinance does not protect citizens from wind turbines now.

Jacob Holmes questioned why in the world the ordinance cannot be from the property line. He stated the ordinance allows it to be shorter if the property owner agrees to it. Holmes questioned what is wrong with using the property right. He stated individuals could sell their property rights if they want to.

On a motion by Armstrong, seconded by Herzberg, the board moved to approve the minutes from October 20, 2020.

On a motion by Herzberg, seconded by Armstrong, the board moved to adjourn and will meet again Tuesday, November 10, 2020.

Chuck Morris, Chairman

Page County Board of Supervisors

Melissa Wellhausen

Page County Auditor