

**MONONA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
NOVEMBER 14, 2023**

The Monona County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. o'clock on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 in the boardroom of the courthouse in Onawa, Monona County, Iowa with Chairman Fox presiding. Other, Supervisors present: Tom Brouillette and Vincent Phillips arriving at 10:30 a.m. Supervisor Absent: None. Also, present was Auditor Peggy A. Rolph.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to approve the agenda. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Frank Huseman, Operations Manager NEW Cooperative, Inc. was present to thank Monona County for their support and applying for the Maritime Administration's Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) Grant on behalf of NEW Cooperative. Monona County/NEW Cooperative, Inc were notified that the grant application was approved, for \$10,262,240 with a 20% match from NEW Cooperative of \$2,565,560 for a total of \$12,827,800, no action taken.

Kevin Ewing, Sheriff was present to inform the Board that he met with the City of Blencoe regarding K45. The City of Blencoe would like to see something done at the intersection of K45 and E60. They discussed the following possibilities a four-way stop sign at the intersection of K45 and E60, rumble bars added before the stop sign, reduction in speed, cameras, and a patrol car in the area. Discussion followed, no action taken.

Secondary Roads Office Manager Deleta Huffman and Shawn Bellis, Secondary Roads Maintenance Superintendent were present for Secondary Roads business. Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to acknowledge receipt of resignation letter from Jesse Rayevich as an Operator III. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox and Brouillette. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Brouillette, seconded by Supervisor Fox to acknowledge receipt of resignation letter from Chris Otterstein as Operator II. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox and Brouillette. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to approve internal posting for Operator III. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox and Brouillette. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to approve internal posting for Operator II. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox and Brouillette. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to approve updated job description for Assistant to Engineer I with the corrections requested. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox and Brouillette. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Discussion items were safety gear, tree cutting, and billing the City of Whiting for bridge work that was completed. No action taken.

Drainage Clerk Amy Borchardt-Sick was present for Drainage business. It was motioned by Fox, seconded by Brouillette to approve the McNeill Intercounty Drainage District-Phase 1 Main Open Ditch Repairs Application for Partial Payment No. 6 in the amount of \$180,092.19 to Hendrickson Transportation, LLC. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox and Brouillette. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:30 a.m. the Monona County Board of Supervisors convened as the Board of Canvassers for the City / School Election held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, with Commissioner of Elections Peggy A. Rolph. Deputy Auditor Sheri Streeter was also in attendance to present the Official Tally List. The Board of Canvassers found the following persons marked with asterisks duly elected to the City offices and School Boards within Monona County as followed:

Blencoe:

Mayor:

Janet Ryan	48*
Scattering	2

Council At Large: Vote for 5:

Melissa Braun	30*
Mitch Dehn	45*
Kristie Ruffcorn	25
Kelsey Sigler	45*
Kenneth V. Sparks	39*

Write-In:

Jason Stanislav	28*
Scattering	9

Castana:

Mayor:

Scott Fox	26*
Scattering	7

Council: Vote for 3:

Mike Golden	11
Steve Hein	14
Tim Cass	28*
Vincent G. LeClair	10
Deb Robbins	20*
Robert E. Withee	22*
Scattering	1

Mapleton:

Mayor:

Brent Streck	122*
Scattering	11

Council: Vote for 3:

Joe Hogan	111*
Abby Koenigs	125*
Jacob Zawodny	84*

Write-In:

Justin Maynard	10
Scattering	15

Council – To Fill Vacancy

Write-In:

Zach Schrader	8*
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Scattering 23

Moorhead:

Mayor:

Todd Haug 30*

Scattering 2

Council: Vote for 2:

David N. Kavas 25*

Write-In:

Brad DeLance 5*

Scattering 14

Onawa:

Mayor:

Lonnie Leo Campbell 238*

Tracy Holland 197

Eric Mesenbrink 63

Scattering 8

Council at Large: Vote for 1:

Kisa Deen 165

Jake Fox 251*

Russell Kepner 80

Scattering 4

Council Ward 1:

Mark Kuhlman 70*

Grady Warner 51

Scattering 1

Council Ward 3:

Kurtis Blatchford 104*

Patti Tanner 51

Scattering 0

Rodney:

Mayor:

Shawn Hamann 10*

Scattering 0

Council: Vote for 3:

Brenda Hamann 9*

Beth A. Ryan 5

Sharon Lou Yockey 6*

Write-In

Ray Thomas 7*

Scattering 0

Soldier:

Mayor:

Johnny Larson 16*

Scattering 0

Council: Vote for 3:

Rebecca Gangestad 16*

Joshua Gran 16*

Sandra Harris 15*

Scattering 0

Turin:

Mayor:

David Poole 5*

Scattering 0

Council: Vote for 5:

Gayle Cameron 5*

Karen Clayton 4*

Casey C. Harding 5*

L. Burnell Harding 5*

Tony Orr 5*

Scattering 0

Ute:

Mayor:

Steven Butz 56

Richard Hageman 15

James Henschen 64*

Scattering 0

Council: Vote for 3:

Briar (Bugs) Buscho 35

Brodi Buscho 23

Jimmy Carlson 58*

Derek Lee Henschen 43

Sue Kelm 110*

Matt O'Brien 12

Ryan Pithan 113*

Scattering	1
Council TFV:	
Joshua Gotto	117*
Scattering	0

Whiting:

Council: Vote for 3:	
Braiden Keith Hagestrom	60*
Keith Morton	65*
Write-In	
Chad Bell	6*
Scattering	9

West Monona School District:

West Monona School Director At-Large

Christine A. Kennedy	542*
Scattering	8

West Monona School Director District 3:

Allen Carrier	508*
Scattering	10

Whiting School District:

Whiting School Director District At-Large:

Dana Kirby	85*
Lucas Morton	77*
Scattering	3

Whiting School Director District At-Large-TFV

Nicholas Warren	89*
Scattering	1

The Canvass with detailed election results are on file in the Auditor's Office.

Supervisor Fox introduced and moved for adoption the following Resolution, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette:

**RESOLUTION 2023-26
RESOLUTION FOR ABATEMENT OF CERTAIN
PROPERTY TAXES**

WHEREAS, the Monona County Board of Supervisors has been advised by the Monona County Assessor that a correction, due to an error in assessment, is needed and

WHEREAS, the administration in accordance with Chapter 443.19 states that no failure of the owner to have such property assessed or to have the errors in the assessment corrected, the County Assessor has asked the Board to abate the taxes by resolution.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED per Iowa Code 427.10 that the 2022 taxes to be collected in 2023 - 2024 totaling \$1,080 including interest of \$16 concerning parcel SCCU #8442-27-4-99-001 for NEW Cooperative, Inc are hereby abated.

Passed and approved this 14th day of November, 2023.

Ayes: /s/ Bo Fox
/s/ Tom Brouillette
/s/ Vincent Phillips

Nays: None

/s/ Bo Fox
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: /s/ Peggy A. Rolph
Peggy A. Rolph, Auditor

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Phillips to table hiring a Veteran Affairs Director. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Phillips to recess at 12:20 p.m. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Fox to reconvene at 1:30 p.m. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Supervisors along with the Auditor attended a team’s meeting with MARAD along with other grant recipients that were awarded the Maritime Administration’s Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) Grant. Monona County applied for the Maritime Administration’s Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) Grant on behalf of NEW Cooperative, Inc. Donovan Murray, Senior Grant Management Specialist Program Analyst Office of Port Infrastructure Development will be the County’s main point of contact at MARAD. Donovan introduced the other staff members present on the call. The next steps of the grant process were reviewed. Donovan stated that he would be reaching out set up meetings with Monona County/NEW Cooperative, Inc to discuss specific project details such as the scope, schedule, and any changes since the grant was submitted. No action was taken.

Motion was made by Supervisor Brouillette, seconded by Supervisor Phillips to approve the minutes of October 31, 2023 as read. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Phillips to approve claims. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Supervisor Phillips attended the SIMPCO meeting, he shared the information presented.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to acknowledge receipt of Order Certifying Percentages for Assessment Limitations (State Rollback). Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

BEFORE THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE HOOVER STATE OFFICE BUILDING
DES MOINES, IOWA

IN THE MATTER OF

The Percentages of 2023 Actual Value of Residential, Agricultural, Commercial, Industrial, Railroad, and Utility Properties Subject to Taxation.

ORDER CERTIFYING PERCENTAGES FOR ASSESSMENT LIMITATIONS

To All County Auditors of the State of Iowa:

Pursuant to Iowa Code section 441.21(9), the Director of Revenue is required to certify annually to each county auditor the percentages of the actual value at which residential, agricultural, commercial, industrial, railroad, and utility properties are to be assessed for property taxes. The Department has computed the percentages in accordance with Iowa Code sections 441.21(4) and (5) for 2023.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Department of Revenue of the State of Iowa that each county auditor shall apply the following percentages to the 2023 actual value of the following properties:

- 1) 71.8370% to the value of agricultural realty outside and within incorporated cities and towns in the county, excluding dwellings located on agricultural realty.
- 2) 46.3428% to the value of residential realty outside and within incorporated cities and towns in the county, including dwellings located on agricultural realty.
- 3) To the value of each property unit of commercial realty outside and within incorporated cities and towns:
 - A. 46.3428% to the value of each property unit that exceeds zero dollars (\$0), but does not exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000).
 - B. 90.0000% to the value of each property unit that exceeds one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000).
- 4) To the value of each property unit of industrial realty outside and within incorporated cities and towns:
 - A. 46.3428% to the value of each property unit that exceeds zero dollars (\$0), but does not exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000).
 - B. 90.0000% to the value of each property unit that exceeds one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000).
- 5) To the value of each property unit of railroad realty outside and within incorporated cities and towns:
 - A. 46.3428% to the value of each property unit that exceeds zero dollars (\$0), but does not exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000).
 - B. 90.0000% to the value of each property unit that exceeds one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000).
- 6) 100% to the value of utility property.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the values determined by application of the percentages ordered herein shall be the taxable value of such properties upon which property taxes will be levied in 2024 and payable in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025.

Issued at Des Moines, Iowa the 1st day of November 2023.

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

BY /s/ Julie G. Roisen

Julie G. Roisen, CAE, MA

Administrator

Local Government Services

Motion was made by Supervisor Brouillette, seconded by Supervisor Fox to authorize the Chairman's signature on disallowed Homestead & Military Letters. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to authorize the Chairman's signature on disallowed 65 plus Homestead Credit Applications. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Brouillette, seconded by Supervisor Phillips to authorize the Chairman's signature on mutual agreement and release with TK Elevator Corporation. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Fox to acknowledge receipt of Monona County Sheriff's Report of fees collected for October 2023. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to approve additional cameras. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to acknowledge receipt of Monona County Clerk of Court Report of fees collected for October 2023. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to table reviewing the Family Farm Applications. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Fox to approve the cash report. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Brouillette, seconded by Supervisor Fox to approve Mike Lage as the Auditor's Compensation Board Representative. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Fox to hereby adjourn at the hour of 3:00 p.m. o'clock. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.

/s/Bo Fox
BO FOX, CHAIRPERSON MONONA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST: /s/Peggy A. Rolph
PEGGY A. ROLPH, AUDITOR