

The Monroe County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment June 16, 2020 with Board of Supervisor members John Hughes (Chairman), Dennis Amoss (Vice-Chairman) and Michael R. Beary present.

Minutes of June 9, 2020, read and signed for approval by Board of Supervisors.

Motion by Amoss and seconded by Beary to open the public hearing at 9:30 am for consideration of a grader lease for the Secondary Roads Department.

All voting aye. Motion carried.

Engineer Jeremiah Selby recommended trading in a grader at \$155,000 in order to keep the County's graders under a comprehensive warranty for 5000 hours or 5 years. No objections were received on the proposed grader lease and trade-in.

Motion by Amoss and seconded by Beary to close the public hearing at 9:37.

All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Beary and seconded by Amoss to approve the following resolution:

Resolution for approving and authorizing a Purchase Agreement and providing for the approval of a \$114,100 financing agreement with Ziegler Financial.

WHEREAS: Monroe County, Iowa (the "County") has heretofore proposed to contract indebtedness and enter into a Purchase Agreement and Finance Contract in the principal amount of \$114,100 to provide funds to pay the cost, to that extent, of acquiring equipment for the Monroe County Secondary Road Department; and

WHEREAS: on the 9th day of June, 2020 a Notice of Intended Action/Public Hearing was published in the Albia Union Republican and Monroe County News, newspapers of general circulation in said County; and

WHEREAS: it is necessary at this time to authorize and approve the Purchase Agreement and Finance Contract to make provision for payments from the Road Tax Revenue in evidence of the obligation of the County under the Purchase Agreement; and

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

- *Pursuant to Section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa, it is hereby determined by the Monroe County Board of Supervisors that the provisions of and the procedures specified in Section 331.402 of the Code of Iowa are appropriate to be followed by this Board prior to entering into the Purchase Agreement and Finance Contract, and it is hereby found and determined that the County has complied with such procedures.*

- *The County hereby determines to enter into a Purchase Agreement and Finance Contract with Ziegler Financial, as lender (the “Lender”) providing for financing to the County in the principal amount of \$114,100.00 for the purpose or purposes previously set forth.*
- *The Monroe Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the Monroe County Engineer to sign the Purchase Agreement and Finance Contract on behalf of the County and the Purchase Agreement is hereby approved.*
- *The Purchase Agreement and Finance Contract shall be payable in semi-annual principal and interest installments in the amount of \$15,358.25 each, due on December 16th and June 16th, beginning December 16, 2020 and continuing through and including June 16, 2025.*
- *The Purchase Agreement shall bear interest at the rate of 3.35% per annum.*
- *The Purchase Agreement and Finance Contract will not constitute a general obligation of the County but will be payable solely and only from annual road use tax funds received by the County from the State of Iowa.*

This Resolution passed and approved this 16th day of June, 2020.

All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Amoss and seconded by Beary to open a public hearing concerning the Community Development Block Grant at 9:46 am.

All voting aye. Motion carried.

Public Health Assistant Administrator Dana Cockrell was present to discuss the block grant for \$54,689 which was awarded to Monroe County by the Iowa Economic Development Authority for Covid-19 response funding. It is estimated that the average Monroe County home is under the median income for Iowa with a 13.2% poverty rate and 19% of children in poverty. The grant will be used in Monroe County to fund the following projects: 2 laptops: \$2,000; Cleaning kits: \$750; Newspaper/education: \$750; Public Health staff time: \$13,939; Sneeze guards: \$3,000; Germ shields: \$250; Air purifier: \$2,500; UV Surface sanitizer: \$27,000; Assistance to food banks: \$3,000; Food purchase/delivery: \$1,000; and Mask production supplies: \$500. No relocation or displacement will occur as a result of this funding.

Public input and comments were requested for Community Development and Housing Needs for low to moderate incomes as well as other needs the public had. The Public Health Department had not received any written or verbal comments prior to the hearing. There are no planned or funded activities to address either of these issues with this grant project.

The public can contact Monroe County Public Health (641-932-7191) or the Monroe County Auditor’s Office (641-932-2865) with any concerns or complaints in the future regarding this project.

Motion by Amoss and seconded by Beary to close the public hearing at 9:55 am.

All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Amoss and seconded by Beary to approve a refund to the previous owner of the Red Barn for a liquor license canceled after the owner's sale of the business.

All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Beary and seconded by Amoss to approve an Information Technology Services Agreement and Support Agreement contract with Solutions for \$37,200 annually for 5 years.

All voting aye. Motion carried.

Insurance agent Willene White of Noel Insurance was present to discuss the County's workers compensation experience modification number and rates for the upcoming fiscal year 20/21. White stated that due to higher than normal indemnity claims, the county's modification number increased from .73 FY 19/20 to .94 FY 20/21. This resulted in a premium increase from \$34,011 to \$62,061. No action taken.

County Attorney John Pabst notified the supervisors of the State of Iowa Department of Commerce Utilities Board's filing for a proposed rule making for location and construction of renewable electric power generating facilities and storage facilities and a proposed rule making for location and construction of electric power generating facilities. Pabst stated that the filing made a request for stakeholder comment on the proposed rules. No public comment has been received by the county at the date of this meeting. No action taken.

Meeting adjourned.

(John Hughes)
John Hughes, Chairman

ATTEST: (Amanda R. Harlan)
Amanda R. Harlan, Monroe County Auditor