

BOARD PROCEEDINGS

SECOND DAY

JANUARY 6, 2004

REGULAR JANUARY SESSION

The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment. Present were: Don McGregor, Chairman, Eugene Elsbecker, Bob Cink, Don Besch and Lee Froehlich. Absent: none.

Motion by Cink and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Froehlich to approve minutes of previous meeting as read. Ayes: all Nays: none. Motion carried unanimous.

Motion by Elsbecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Besch to approve the agenda. Ayes: all Nays: none. Motion carried unanimous.

Public Discussion & Committee Report:

Ron Peck attended and voiced the need for Economic Development to have a complete breakdown of their budget, we need to know where the taxpayers' money is going. Gene Elsbecker reported Midwest Grain Processors was awarded a \$150,000 grant to analyze the feasibility of building a bio-diesel facility next to its ethanol facility in Lakota, Iowa. Bob Cink reported, we were compliant with NIACOG. Stein Law Firm requested by letter, to be on agenda for the Master Matrix.

Motion by Froehlich and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cink to table the quarterly report of the Sheriff due to computer problems and put on next week. Ayes: all Nays: none. Motion carried unanimous.

Motion to disapprove claim #14284 by Cink and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Besch to Mercy Medical Center of North Iowa. Ayes: all Nays: none. Motion carried unanimous.

Kossuth County Economic Development Corporation presented their projected budget for 2004-2005. About 42 people attended and voiced their concerns. Vicki Malloy led the program with the 2003 accomplishments and Stu Simmonson, explained the projected budget. Many speakers from the county spoke regarding benefits to the county and the communities of Kossuth County. Senator Berl Priebe stated many people are out there who can't pay their heating bills and feels corporation should be looking for private or other ways to funding instead of property taxes. He congratulated the many people on their work and accomplishments; just felt they should find other means of funding. Bob Cink thanked everyone for coming. He stated counties are consolidating into larger groups, such as four or five counties working together. Board members each stated their concern and will help as much as possible in the process of doing the budget. The Kossuth County Economic Development Corporation is requesting \$119,137 for the 2004-2005 FY.

Crisis Center presented a report of their past year and the programs offered. They are asking \$10,000 for the FY04-05 budget.

Kossuth County Agricultural Association presented their summary of the work going on at the fair grounds and requested \$30,000 for the FY04-05 budget.

Kossuth County Engineer Richard Schiek and Engineer Doug Miller discussed the need for a policy for Level "B" Service Roads. They have reviewed policies from 17 counties and presented them to the Board of Supervisors. A policy will be formed in the coming weeks and approved.

On motion adjournment was taken until January 13, 2004.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joann Bormann  
Kossuth County Auditor

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Don McGregor, Chairman  
Board of Supervisors