

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

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

Motioned Barnett, seconded by Dralle to open the public hearing for the FY26 Proposed Budget. All ayes. Motion carried. Leslie Groen, County Auditor, stated there have not been any oral or written comments received. Chris Luhning, Parkersburg, was present and shared his concerns with content provided in budget statement mailings and the effect newly proposed property tax legislation would have on rural counties. Luhning shared ideas to create a local task force to ascertain the long-term effects. With no additional comments, it was motioned by Dralle, seconded by Barnett to close the public hearing. All ayes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF BUDGET & CERTIFICATION OF TAXES

Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

The property tax levies on the adopted budget will be levied as follows:

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the motion was carried.

Upon Roll call the vote thereon was as follows:

Said FY2026 Butler County Budget was duly adopted on this 15th day of April 2025.

Motioned b Barnett, seconded by Dralle to approve Resolution #858-25 regarding Compensation Board recommendations. Roll was called and Resolution #858-25 was adopted as follows:

WHEREAS, the Butler County Compensation Board meets annually to recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Chapters 331.905 and 331.907, and

WHEREAS, the Butler County Compensation Board met on December 10th, 2024, and made the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025:

***See Compensation Board minutes for explanations regarding recommended salaries.**

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Butler County Board of Supervisors approves the following salary adjustments for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025:

Elected Official	Approved Salary	Approved Increase
Auditor	\$ 79,609.00	5.00 %
County Attorney	\$ 113,893.00	7.00 %

Recorder	\$ 79.609.00	5.00 %
Sheriff	\$ 115.616.00	9.00 %
Supervisors	\$ 36.292.00	5.00 %
Treasurer	\$ 79.609.00	5.00 %

Approved this 15th day of April, 2025

BUTLER County Board of Supervisors
Rusty Eddy, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: Leslie Groen, Auditor

AYE: Wayne Dralle
Rusty Eddy
Greg Barnett

NAY:

Motioned by Barnett, seconded by Dralle to approve a 5% cost of living increase for non-elected, non-deputy employees. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Barnett, seconded by Dralle to approve Resolution #24-2025 Establishment of an Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund. Roll was called and Resolution #24-2025 was adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION # 24-2025
ESTABLISHMENT OF AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TRUST FUND

WHEREAS, an Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund must be established in accordance with Section 422D.6, Code of Iowa.

WHEREAS, the Butler County Board of Supervisors intends to create a special revenue fund called EMS Fund 0033 into which revenues received from the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) taxes imposed shall be deposited.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Butler County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the creation of a dedicated EMS Fund, effective July 1, 2025.

UPON Roll Call the vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Wayne Dralle
Rusty Eddy
Greg Barnett

NAYS: None

WHEREUPON the Resolution was declared duly adopted on this 15th day of April 2025.

Rusty Eddy
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
Leslie Groen, County Auditor

Motioned by Dralle, seconded by Barnett to approve Resolution #25-2025 Establishment of a Rural Services Supplemental Fund. Roll was called and Resolution #25-2025 was adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION # 25-2025
ESTABLISHMENT OF A RURAL SERVICES SUPPLEMENTAL FUND

WHEREAS, a Rural Services Supplemental Fund may be established in accordance with Section 331.424, Code of Iowa.

WHEREAS, the Butler County Board of Supervisors intends to create a special revenue fund called Rural Supplemental Fund 0012 into which revenues received from the Rural Services Supplemental taxes imposed shall be deposited.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Butler County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the creation of a dedicated Rural Services Supplemental Fund, effective July 1, 2025.

UPON Roll Call the vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Wayne Dralle
Rusty Eddy
Greg Barnett

NAYS: None

WHEREUPON the Resolution was declared duly adopted on this 15th day of April 2025.

Rusty Eddy
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
Leslie Groen, County Auditor

County Attorney, Dave Kuehner, shared a drafted letter opposing a potential battery storage facility in Glenville, MN, to be located near the Shell Rock River. Ruth Saulsbury, Clarksville, also provided an update on the project. Motioned by Barnett, seconded by Dralle, to approve the letter which will be submitted as public comment. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the E911 Tower Land Acquisition Public Improvement Project and Kuehner explained we have received a Notice of Appeal from the petitioner regarding the Compensation Commission in Eminent Domain Proceedings decision dated March 11, 2025. Kuehner also explained the County will now discontinue the lease payments.

Motioned by Barnett, seconded by Dralle to approve Resolution #27-2025 authorizing the Secondary Roads Department to use the Butler County UEI# for grant paperwork. Roll call was taken: AYES: Dralle, Eddy, Barnett NAYS: None ABSENT: None and Resolution #27-2025 was approved as follows:
Resolution #27-2025

Moved by Barnett and seconded by Dralle to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, storm related damage was incurred on the Butler County Secondary Road system during the declared Event 4784DR-IA; and

WHEREAS, the Butler County Secondary Road Department is requesting to use the Butler County UEI# KY15Z18PDZW7 when filing grant related documents; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Butler County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Butler County Secondary Road department to use the Butler County UEI# KY15Z18PDZW7 when completing documents for FEMA & Department of Homeland Security and assumes any risk that may involve.

Passed and Approved this 15th day of April 2025.

Rusty Eddy, Chairman

Butler County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: *Leslie Groen*, Butler County Auditor

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

Motioned by Dralle, second by Barbett to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:34 A.M. to April 22, 2025 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 April 15, 2025.

Attest: *Leslie Groen*

Butler County Auditor

Rusty Eddy

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors