

Legals

PROBATE MERRILL ESPR017478

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR BUTLER COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
JEANETTE MERRILL, Deceased
CASE NO. ESPR017478
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Jeanette Merrill, Deceased, who died on or about October 17, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on February 3, 2024 the Last Will and Testament of Jeanette Merrill, deceased, bearing date of January 28, 1988, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Sandra Harms and Linda Harms are appointed Executors of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter to be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all per-

sons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated May 9, 2024.

Sandra Harms

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Allison, IA 50602

Linda Harms

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Oskaloosa, IA 52577

/s// David A. Kuehner

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BUTLER CO • AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET

BUTLER COUNTY
Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

The BUTLER COUNTY will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2024

Meeting Date/Time: 5/28/2024 09:00 AM Contact: Leslie Groen Phone: (319) 346-6547

Meeting Location: Basement EOC

There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing. Budget amendments are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult <https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals>.

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment	
Taxes Levied on Property	1	8,133,640	0	8,133,640
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3	0	0	0
Net Current Property Tax	4	8,133,640	0	8,133,640
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5	650	0	650
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6	20,700	0	20,700
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7	2,651,595	0	2,651,595
Intergovernmental	8	7,623,113	800	7,623,913
Licenses & Permits	9	56,200	0	56,200
Charges for Service	10	609,929	0	609,929
Use of Money & Property	11	293,737	0	293,737
Miscellaneous	12	447,677	17,000	464,677
Subtotal Revenue	13	19,837,241	17,800	19,855,041
Other Financing Sources:				
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14	0	0	0
Operating Transfers In	15	6,275,470	0	6,275,470
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Sales	16	0	0	0
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17	26,112,711	17,800	26,130,511
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES				
Operating:				
Public Safety and Legal Services	18	3,318,368	41,500	3,359,868
Physical Health and Social Services	19	1,665,236	0	1,665,236
Mental Health, ID & DD	20	0	0	0
County Environment & Education	21	2,542,103	0	2,542,103
Roads & Transportation	22	6,916,500	520,000	7,436,500
Government Services to Residents	23	821,284	0	821,284
Administration	24	2,556,254	0	2,556,254
Nonprogram Current	25	2,000	0	2,000
Debt Service	26	1,460,963	0	1,460,963
Capital Projects	27	7,143,055	0	7,143,055
Subtotal Expenditures	28	26,425,763	561,500	26,987,263
Other Financing Uses:				
Operating Transfers Out	29	6,275,470	0	6,275,470
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	30	0	0	0
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	31	32,701,233	561,500	33,262,733
Excess of Revenues & Other Sources over (under) Expenditures & Other Uses	32	-6,588,522	-543,700	-7,132,222
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1, 2023	33	14,568,564	0	14,568,564
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budgeting)	34	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	35	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Restricted	36	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Committed	37	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Assigned	38	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Unassigned	39	7,980,042	-543,700	7,436,342
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30, 2024	40	7,980,042	-543,700	7,436,342

Explanation of Changes: REVENUE: Intergovernmental: state medical examiner grant, Misc: car reimbursements
EXPENSES: Public Safety: deputy car, school of instruction, Legal Services: medical examiner school of instruction
Secondary Roads: project wage line
item changes, culvert materials, slurry patching, piling
NOTE: Budget amendment not intended to increase overall spending for FY24, but allow expenses to be accurately deducted from the correct corresponding line item.

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BUTLER CO BOS • MINUTES 4.30.2024

MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON APRIL 30, 2024.

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

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

During Public Comment, Kari

Coates, EMS Coordinator, provided an update on the service calls. Coates also shared the first EMT class is underway with 9 students and will finish up in June. Coates also briefly mentioned that having the EMS as an Essential Service placed on the November 2024 ballot remains the goal.

Board acknowledged the annual SLFRF Compliance Report. Leslie Groen, Auditor, explained that it is an ARPA funds report and that it has been submitted.

Board considered utility permit for Dumont Telephone fiber network build in Austinville area. Roger

Kregel, Dumont Telephone, explained that more of these permits will be coming in as they progress through the county. He stated that some rural areas without fiber are not covered or required under the current grant. John Riherd, Engineer, recommended approval of the permit. Motioned by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve the permit. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board considered a utility permit for Butler County REC for underground service to 13801 Marsh Ave. Riherd detailed the permit and recommended approval. Motioned by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve the per-

mit. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board considered utility permit for Butler County REC for underground service to 29840 Superior Road. Riherd outlined the project and recommended approval. Motioned by Barnett, second by Dralle. All ayes. Motion carried.

Riherd asked the board to table the agenda item # 7- Final payment for project BROS-C012(123)—8J-12 to the following week because some final numbers are still needed. Motioned by Eddy, second by Barnett to table the item to next week. All ayes. Motion carried.

Riherd provided an Engineer's up-

date. The Unverferth bridge is now open and the temporary bridge is being removed. A purple wave auction is currently available online as some of the used equipment is up for bid. Riherd mentioned that they have also purchased a replacement surveyor vehicle and that the Secondary Roads crew recently had an employee resign and will look to fill that position in the fall.

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

Motioned by Eddy, second by Barnett to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:44 A.M. to May 7, 2024 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 30, 2024.

Attest: Leslie Groen, Butler County Auditor

Wayne Dralle, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

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CITY OF CLARKSVILLE • MINUTES 5.6.2024

CITY OF CLARKSVILLE CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

May 6, 2024
The Clarksville City Council met in regular session on May 6, 2024 in the City Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Jerald Heuer presiding and Council Members Roger Doty, Ruth Saulsbury, Jennifer Kielman, Jessi Reints and Taran Sherburne. Other City employees present were: Molly Bohlen, City Clerk, Jared Brunner, Maintenance, and Police Chief Mackey. Members of public present: Rhonda Landrum, Lloyd Calease, Meredith Borchardt, and Annette Whitlock.

Clerk provided update for Eagle Scout Project at the cemetery provided by Dan Forry today. Saulsbury states that she has had a couple of concerns mentioned to her: 1. The use of Jake brakes when outside of city limits and also in city limits. Her question was is there signs stating that they can't do this. Mackey states that he would have to look into this. 2. The storm sewer or manhole cover by her neighborhood needs some filling in around it. She states that someone noticed the county did fill in around the one

about 1 block from her corner, but not by hers and it is getting bad. Maintenance states they would look into this.

Mayor Topics:

1. Street Sweeping: Heuer described street sweeper city currently has and also the drawbacks of the current one as seen by Maintenance that has used it. They are not happy about how it functions as it tends to push the dirt around and not pick it up. Heuer has spoke with OW Huisman and he has one that he refurbished that would sweep, vacuum and be able to remove the grates around town. Heuer and Jared would like to go look at the unit and see how it functions. Discussion regarding cost of the street sweeper and also just having OW come and do the street sweeping for the year.

2. Street Improvement Discussion: Heuer discusses the need for patchwork to be completed, but also to save the existing roads that are not in poor condition, as well as developing a 5 year plan for getting roads repaired. There were 2 quotes presented for the road repairs for council to look at. Sherburne states that he has heard that 1 inch overlay doesn't hold up on

many roads. This will be discussed further at a future meeting.

Saulsbury would like to move from the consent agenda the issue of Dylan Backer as Fire Chief and put on the regular agenda as she feels that this needs recognition individually.

Motion Sherburne, Kielman to move Consent Agenda Item f to the Agenda New Business. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Sherburne, Reints to approve appointing Dylan Backer as Fire Chief. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Kielman, Reints to approve consent agenda as noted including April Claims & Financials, Minutes from 04/15/2024. Casey's Permit for cigarette, tobacco and nicotine products, Dollar General liquor license, Memorial Trees to be planted at Volunteer Park in memory of Richard & Robert Litterer, and \$1,086.50 expenditure at Park for concrete project. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Kielman, Sherburne to approve 3rd reading of Ordinance

No. 312 ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE, IOWA, BY AMENDING THE PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO CHAPTER 137 VACATING ALL OF WEST WEARE ST RIGHT OF WAY 154.5 FEET WEST OF SOUTH TRAEER STREET. RCV/Ayes: Kielman, Reints, Doty, Saulsbury, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.
Discussed wage and cost of living increases for employees. Reints was interested in the process with reviews and wage increases. Kielman discussed employee review form that is currently in the handbook and would like something more specific towards job performance. Saulsbury states that she made motion at last meeting but that it didn't go further and is wondering if anyone else has a different idea. Council members feel that there is good staff at the City and they want to retain that staff.

Motion Sherburne, Kielman to approve Resolution 24-7 Employee Wages for FY 2024-2025. RCV/Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Meredith Borchardt with Trees Forever gave presentation to Coun-

cil and Mayor. She states that over 800 trees have been planted over the years and they are planning to do a fall planting this year. They held off on the spring planting due to the drought like conditions. They have received a grant thru Mid-American Energy and have many volunteers that help throughout the year with the process of maintaining the trees.

Motion Sherburne, Doty to approve Res 24-1 O Hiring Hunter Fasse Seasonal Mowing Position. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Doty, Sherburne to table street repair bid for Ragsdale and Freerks until next meeting. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Kielman, Reints to set Budget Amendment Hearing for May 20th. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Sherburne, Kielman to approve Laser Line Striping/Helmke Services for \$2500 at the end of May to paint in town streets and curbs. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays:

None. Absent: None.
Building Permits presented by Maintenance as follows:

1. Joe Wedeking, Jr. 403 W Greene concrete pad for air conditioning unit and concrete pad at back entrance to the house.

2. Amy Learn, 108 S Ely construction of long deck along house

3. Scott Arenholz, 117 N Fremont St. Construction of detached single car garage/shop

4. Clarksville Development, 314 N Elizabeth St. Construction of new house.

Motion Sherburne, Doty to approve building permits as presented by Maintenance. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Clerk presented budget amendment information to council and mayor.

Motion Doty, Sherburne to adjourn regular City Council meeting at 7:48 pm.

Jerald Heuer, Mayor

Attest: Molly Bohlen, City Clerk

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BUTLER CO • NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION

NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION

Butler County Auditor and Commissioner of Elections, Leslie Groen, hereby gives Public Notice to the qualified voters of Butler County, Iowa, that a Primary Election will be held on June 4, 2024. A Candidate List is included with this notice, listing candidates for each office and the candidate's Party Affiliation.

Polling Sites will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. as follows:

Precinct Name and Polling Locations

1-GR Community Center, 202 W South St., Greene

2-CL Amvet Building, 102 E. Greene St., Clarksville

3-DU American Legion Hall, 508 Main St., Dumont

4-AL Courthouse, Lower Level, 428 6th St., Allison

5-AP Community Center, 927 Parriott St., Aplington

6-SR Boyd Building, 303 S. Cherry St., Shell Rock

7-PB Veterans' Memorial Building, 102 Colfax St., Parkersburg

8-NH Community Center, 303 Broadway St., New Hartford

Boundaries of the Election Precincts:

1-GR: Bennezzette Township, including the City of Aredale; Coldwater Township, including the City of Greene; and the part of Dayton Township lying West of Packard Avenue, and North of Range Road and 140th Street (All Dayton Township excluding Sections 36, 35, 34, 27, 26, 25, approx. S ¼ of 22).

2-CL: Fremont Township; Butler Township, including the City of Clarksville; Jackson Township, excluding the City of Allison; and that part of Dayton Township lying East of Packard Ave and South of Range Road and 140th Street (Sections 36, 35, 34, 27, 26, 25, approx. S ¼ 22).

3-DU: Pittsford Township, including the City of Dumont (but excluding the City of Bristow), Madison Township, and Washington Township.

4-AL: Ripley Township, West Point Township, including the City of Bristow and the City of Allison.

5-AP: Monroe Township, including the City of Aplington, but excluding the City of Parkersburg.

6-SR: Jefferson Township, Shell Rock Township, including the City of Shell Rock; that part of Albion Township lying North of 305th Street and East of Ridge Avenue to intersection of 290th; and that part North of 290th St and East of Quail Avenue (Sections 1, 2, 11, 12, N ½ of 13); and that part of Beaver Township lying North of 310th Street and North of 305th Street (Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, N ½ 18).

7-PB: Albion Township lying South of 305th Street; West of Ridge Ave to the

intersection of 290th, and also West of Quail Avenue (All Albion excluding Sections 1, 2, 11, 12, N ½ of 13), including the City of Parkersburg.

8-NH That part of Beaver Township lying South of 310th Street and South of 305th Street, including the City of New Hartford.

Any voter who requires assistance to vote by reason of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write may be given assistance at the polls by a person of the voter's choice, other than the voter's employer or agent of that employer, or officer or agent of the voter's union. Any voter who is physically unable to enter a polling place has the right to vote in the voter's vehicle.

Voter ID: All voters will be asked to show their ID before voting at the polls, including voters who are already registered in the correct precinct, voters who move within the county to a new precinct, and voters who are not yet registered to vote in the county. Visit <https://voterreadyiowa.org/resources> for information regarding valid voter identification and proof of residency.

Absentee Voting
Absentee ballots are available in the Auditor's Office, where Butler County voters may vote absentee in person through 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 3rd. Iowa ID required.

To vote by mail, the Auditor's Office must receive a written request for a ballot using one of the following methods:
An official form can be found at <https://butlercounty.iowa.gov/>
On paper no smaller than 3" x 5"

Voters may also submit a request for an absentee ballot by email or fax if it contains an original signature. Original such requests must also be mailed to the Auditor with a postmark date no later than the pre-registration deadline for the election for which the ballot was requested (May 20th, 2024 for the Primary Election).

All requests must include the voter's name, birthdate, residence address, mailing address if different, name or date of election, along with the following new required information: Iowa Driver's License number or Nonoperator Iowa ID number, or if you do not have an Iowa ID then you must use the IVoter issued PIN number. Please call the Auditor's Office at 319-346-6547 for help in finding your Voter PIN number if you do not have or cannot find your Iowa ID. For Primary Elections only: include your political party affiliation (Democratic, Republican or Libertarian ballot for this election).

Deadlines for this election:
Last day to pre-register and or request that an absentee ballot be mailed is 5:00 p.m. Friday, May 20th.

Last day to vote an Absentee Ballot in person is 4:30 p.m. Monday, June

3rd.

A voted absentee ballot to be received by the Auditor's Office by 8:00pm Election Day.
A voter's absentee ballot may NOT be turned in to the polling place for counting, however the voter or the voter's designee may turn the ballot in to the Auditor by the time the close on Election Day.

Butler County Auditor's Office hours:
Regular Office hours: 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday
Additional hours: Open until 5:00 p.m. Monday, May 20th
Open until 5:00 p.m. Friday, May 31st

Saturday hours: Open 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saturday, June 1st
Voters are encouraged to contact the office of Butler County Auditor and Commissioner of Elections, Leslie Groen with questions regarding voter registration and absentee voting.
428 6th St. PO Box 325, Allison, IA 50602

Ph: 319-346-6547
Email: auditor@butlercounty.iowa.gov
Website: <https://butlercounty.iowa.gov/departments/elections>

PRIMARY ELECTION - JUNE 4, 2024

BUTLER COUNTY - CANDIDATES

<i>indicates incumbent *</i>		
FEDERAL CANDIDATES	PARTY	
U.S. Representative District 2	Rep.....	DemLib
Ashley Hinson*	X	
Sarah Corkery		X
STATE CANDIDATES	PARTY	
State Representative District 57	Rep.....	DemLib
Pat Grassley*	X	
Shawn Ellerbroek		X
COUNTY CANDIDATES	PARTY	
Supervisor District 1	Rep.....	DemLib
Greg Barnett*	X	
Trent Schmadeke	X	
Auditor	Rep.....	DemLib
Leslie Groen*	X	
Sheriff	Rep.....	DemLib
Jason S Johnson*	X	

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