

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
TWENTIETH MEETING, 2026 SESSION (20)  
APRIL 28, 2026**

The Buena Vista County Board of Supervisors met in special session on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, at 8:30 A.M. in the Boardroom with Chairperson Merten presiding, and the following other members present: Croker, Hartman, Ringgenberg, Snyder and with Auditor Susan Lloyd as clerk for the meeting. Absent: None.

Unless otherwise indicated, all the following **motions** offered at this meeting were carried with the following vote: Ayes: Croker, Hartman, Merten, Ringgenberg, and Snyder. Nays: none. Abstentions: none.

Motion by Snyder, second by Hartman, to approve today's **agenda**. Carried.

Engineer Bret Wilkinson reviewed his FY'27 IDOT budget that will be submitted to the State, along with his 5-year program for construction and repairs. Motion by Croker, second by Ringgenberg, to accept and authorize the Chair to sign the **State IDOT budget** for FY'27 and submit it to IDOT. Carried. Motion by Ringgenberg, second by Croker, to accept and authorize the Chair to sign the **IDOT CFYP 5-year Construction Program** for FY'27 and submit it to IDOT. Carried.

Motion by Snyder, second by Croker, to **hire** William Henrich as a seasonal employee for the Secondary Road Department, beginning this week, at \$ 21.00/hour, and Hunter DeMey, beginning May 11, 2026, at \$20.00/hour. Carried.

**Secondary Road Report:** They have been hauling gravel, working on tile repairs, and working on driveways. They have had the retrievers out getting rid of the edge ruts. PCI will move a crew in next week to begin work on Phase 2. A pre-construction design agreement on Phase 3 was received from IDOT, and Engineer Wilkinson will be making some phone calls to ask more questions before it is brought before the Board to consider. The railroad is doing maintenance on the crossing on 630<sup>th</sup> St. and the crossing was shut down this morning and will remain closed until May 8. Plans for Bridge #95, on 40<sup>th</sup> Ave. north of C65, will be coming to the Board soon for their consideration.

Chairman Merten asked if there was anyone online that wished to be heard during **Hear the Public** and there was one in-person and nobody online. Kenny Bishop commented that he knows that 40<sup>th</sup> Ave. is a low maintenance road, but he has 3 fields to get to, and when it rains, the road is very muddy. Bishop wants to see the bridge done soon, so that he won't have to keep moving the large farming equipment over to the highway to get to his fields. Engineer Wilkinson stated that this is Bridge #95 that is close to a letting.

Motion by Croker, second by Hartman, to approve the **minutes** of 4/21/2026 as presented, and to accept the following **reports**: March NW IA YES Center minutes, September-December 2025 VA Commission minutes, and January-February 2026 VA Commission minutes. Carried.

There being no further business, motion by Croker, second by Snyder, to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 a.m. until Tuesday, May 5 at 8:30 a.m. for a regular session. Carried.