

January 31, 2012

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, January 31st, 2012, with Tom Broeker, Dan Cahill and Bob Beck present.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions passed unanimously.

Meet with Department Heads: County Attorney Pat Jackson introduced summer intern Deoanne Johnson. County Engineer Brian Carter reported that he had met with Regional Planning, State and Burlington officials regarding Vision Iowa projects and date of completion. Carter stated that the County shouldn't need another extension to finish. Emergency Management Coordinator Gina Hardin reported on several forums she had held in the community. She stated that there will be a public hearing on February 9th to approve her budget. Hardin also requested that county employees be allowed to attend Emergency Response Training.

The following correspondence was received: letter from the Food Bank, Ottumwa, asking that their request for funding be included in the county's budget; letter regarding Bob Housewright's term on the Public Health Board. Housewright has served on that Board for 23 years. Cahill also relayed a compliment from Judge Schilling to the Maintenance Department on the condition of the Court House.

Beck moved to approve the full tax suspension list from DHS. Seconded by Cahill. This list is approved annually.

Brad Lane was reappointed Clerk of Yellow Spring Township upon motion by Beck and second by Cahill. His term will expire December 31, 2014.

The resignation of Elizabeth Yoder Kling, Interpretive Naturalist at County Conservation, was accepted upon motion by Cahill and second by Beck. This action is effective as of 02/03/2012.

The following reports were received and filed:

Veterans Affairs, January, 2012

Pioneer Cemetery Commission Membership, 2012

Independent Case Management, Inc. Financial Statements as of 12/31/2010

Community Services Case Manager/Payee Program – Agreed Upon Procedures as of 5/31/2011

Cahill moved to approve minutes for the Board meeting held on January 24th, 2012. Seconded by Beck.

The Election for Trustee of Drainage District #7 was canvassed. Kirk Siegel received fourteen votes and was declared the winner. Motion to approve was made by Beck and seconded by Cahill.

The Election for Trustee of Drainage District #8 was also canvassed. Fred Gerst received six votes and was declared the winner. Motion to approve was made by Beck and seconded by Cahill.

During committee reports, Beck had attended a Regional Planning meeting. All members had attended a meeting of the Assessor's Conference Board. Their budget was approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:27 AM.

A work session was held regarding a proposal that the County issue bonds on behalf of Great River Medical Center. Steve Nadel with Ahlers & Cooney, Des Moines, attended via telephone. He informed the Board that this process is covered under Iowa Code 419.3 and allowed by Federal tax code. He assured the Supervisors that he would not expect the County to have any risk. In the unlikely chance that the hospital defaulted on the bonds, bond payments would be secured by their mortgage and revenue streams. Broeker asked if the County should buy additional errors and omissions insurance. Nadel stated that this is not necessary; that hold harmless language in the agreement would cover the situation.

Budget Director Cheryl McVey had estimated that June 30th, 2013 ending fund balances of General Basic and General Supplemental Funds would be insufficient to cover expenses for the required three months.

This Board meeting is recorded and the tape is kept on file for two years. The minutes are also posted on the county's website www.co.des-moines.ia.us.

Approved February 7, 2012

Thomas Broeker, Chair

Attest: Carol S. Copeland, Auditor