

July 8, 2014

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014, with Jim Cary and Tom Broeker present. Bob Beck was absent.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions carried.

Item 6(I)(2) was removed from the agenda. The Board of Supervisors planned appointment to the Compensation Board is currently serving as a Township Trustee. According to the County Attorney, this current position precludes the person from serving on the Compensation Board. Item 6(D) was removed from the agenda by Conservation Director Chris Lee. The Starr's Cave Nature Center Agreement is not ready.

The Board moved item 6(A) Appointment of County Attorney before Meet with Department Heads/Elected Officials on the agenda.

The Board received applications for the temporary full time county attorney position. Amy Beavers application was the only one received. Motion to appoint Amy K. Beavers to County Attorney to serve the balance of the term was made by Broeker and seconded by Cary. Amy Beavers was sworn in by Judge Schilling as the new County Attorney.

Meet with Department Heads: County Attorney Amy Beavers thanked everyone for their support and her new appointment. County Engineer Brian Carter stated Highway 99 is still closed due to flooding. He hopes the road will be reopened by the afternoon, tomorrow morning at the latest. Tama Road should reopen soon. Road crews put in overtime last weekend closing roads due to flooding. County Recorder Lisa Schreiner is checking on grants to assist in digitizing their microfilm files. CPC/Community Services Director Ken Hyndman stated SE Iowa Link is still waiting on the State to approve the regional plan. Emergency assessments are taking place and people are being placed in the Crisis Stabilization Center. Emergency Management Director Gina Hardin reported FEMA will be in town next week to assess flood damages.

Correspondence: The Burlington Homeless Shelter is celebrating one year in operation. An Open House will be held July 20 from 1-3 PM. The County received notification from the DNR to publish a notice in the newspapers for the construction permit application of a confinement feeding operation at 18263 220<sup>th</sup> Ave, New London.

David Toyer with Greater Burlington Partnership presented a 2014 Small Business Survey Report. He stated every city in Des Moines County has grown since the 2010 Census. The Census Bureau estimates the off year population growth.

Conservation Director Chris Lee presented the Gahn Management Plan. The Gahn Refuge is a 53-acre parcel located behind the Secondary Roads Department. The County Conservation Board approved the plan at their last meeting. The site will remain the same and reservation type activities will take place. It will not be open daily. The Trumpeter Swans located on the property are no longer considered an endangered species. Motion to approve the Gahn Management Plan was made by Broeker and seconded by Cary.

Emergency Management Director Gina Hardin presented a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Grant Agreement between the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department and Des Moines County. Grant Agreement No. DR-4119-0006-01, needs to be approved in order to receive grants. The federal share is \$21,000 (75%) of actual allowable costs. The state share is \$2,800 (10%) and County share is \$4,200 (15%) through local non-federal (cash and/or in-kind) sources. Travis Kraus, Regional Planner with SEIRPC will write the grant requests. Hardin stated the plan needs to be done by October 2015 so it can be submitted to the State for approval. Motion to approve the Grant Agreement was made by Broeker and seconded by Cary.

County Engineer Brian Carter presented a Road Petition by adjoining landowners requesting to establish portions of Brush College Road located in Section 23, T69N, R3W (Union Twp) as an Area Service Class C Road. Carter recommended setting a public hearing for July 15<sup>th</sup>. Secondary Roads will place the legal notice in the

newspaper. Motion to accept and set the public hearing date for Brush College Road was made by Broeker and seconded by Cary.

Deputy Assessor Tammy Stewart presented the 2014 Homestead Credit / Military Exemptions list. This is an updated list consisting of additions and deletions. The Military Exemption qualifications have changed. Previously a veteran had to be 100% disabled with a \$35,000 income to receive the exemption. Due to a rule change now there is now no ceiling on income to receive the exemption. Motion to approve the 2014 list was made by Broeker and seconded by Cary.

The following cash on hand letters for FY ending June 30, 2014 were received: Assessor, Attorney, Auditor, Conservation, GIS, Public Health, Recorder, Secondary Roads and Sheriff. Motion to approve the letters was made by Broeker and second by Cary.

The County Treasurer's Compensation Board representative Richard Mellinger submitted a letter requesting to serve another term. Motion to approve Mr. Mellinger's appointment for another four-year term was made by Broeker and seconded by Cary.

The following personnel action was approved: County Conservation Seasonal Part-time Conservation Technician Patrick Moore effective July 1<sup>st</sup> – October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Rate is \$9.50 an hour. Motion to approve was made by Broeker and seconded by Cary.

The following reports were received and filed:

- Auditor's Report of Fees Collected, Qtr. ending 6/30/14
- Recorder's Report of Fees, FY ending 6/30/14
- Recorder's Reports, June 2014
- Veteran's Affairs, Qtr. ending 6/30/14

A motion to approve minutes for the Board meeting held on July 1, 2014 was made by Broeker and seconded by Cary.

Future agenda items: Brush College Rd Class C public hearing

Committee reports: Broeker and Cary attended the July 5 ground breaking ceremony for the Veteran's Memorial. Broeker attended a COBCO meeting. A request for proposals for an insurance consultant broker will be sent soon.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:47 AM.

This Board meeting is recorded and kept on file for two years. The minutes are also posted on the county's website [www.dmcourty.com](http://www.dmcourty.com)

A work session regarding Fireworks Permit Revisions was held after the meeting. In attendance was: County Attorney Amy Beavers, Chief Deputy Jeff White, County Sheriff Mike Johnstone, County Engineer Brian Carter, Emergency Management Gina Hardin, Burlington Fire Chief Matt Trexel, Danville Fire Chief Kevin Pierce and Washington Twp Fire Chief John Crouch. The group discussed revising the Fireworks Ordinance and the Fireworks Permit. Burn bans would suspend fireworks permits per Fire Chief's review. Individuals would be responsible for contacting the fire department for approval. This would be required before approval by the Board of Supervisors. The County Attorney will bring back changes to review.

Approved July 15, 2014  
Jim Cary, Vice-Chair  
Attest: Terri Johnson, Deputy Auditor