The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, January 5th, 2016, with Tom Broeker, Bob Beck and Jim Cary present.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions passed unanimously.

The County Auditor asked for a nomination for Chairman for 2016. Beck nominated Broeker. Seconded by Cary. Roll-call vote: Beck, Aye Cary, Aye Broeker, Aye

Motion to appoint Beck as Vice-Chair for 2016 was made by Cary and seconded by Broeker. Roll-call vote: Cary, Aye Broeker, Aye Beck, Aye.

Changes to Tentative Agenda: delete Item 7 F.

Meet with Department Heads: Broeker thanked Cary for serving as chairman last year and stated that he did a great job. Beck agreed. Sheriff Mike Johnstone was present and reported that he was doing well after his accident while cleaning his personal weapon. He stated that he is proof that anyone can have an accident if they are not giving the job full attention. Johnstone also thanked Chief Deputy White for covering his duties during his absence and stated his appreciation for all the get well wishes he received from the public. County Engineer Brian Carter reported that a bid letting will be held soon for the Highway 99 project. He and Beck will also be attending a conference with IDOT regarding the Highway 61 four-lane project. A public hearing will be held in Mediapolis scheduled sometime after that meeting. Conservation Director Chris Lee reported that several trees came down at Big Hollow following icy rain in the area. They are being cut up and removed. County Attorney Amy Beavers reported that there was a jury trial going on this week. DCS Ken Hyndman stated that his department was busy with case management as there are only four managers remaining. The SEIL region is still in the process of writing a 28E agreement for a new Patient Advocate.

Accounts Payable Claims in the amount of \$638,614.19 were approved upon motion made by Cary and seconded by Beck.

Beck moved to approve the 2015 report of the Weed Commissioner. Cary seconded.

County Engineer Brian Carter presented a Jurisdiction Agreement for Iowa Byways Signage Installation and Maintenance. The agreement gives the State authority to install signs to delineate Iowa Trail ways. This project began for bike trail usage but now follows roads through Burlington, up Highway 99 to the Louisa County line. Lee and Louisa Counties have already signed similar agreements. Motion to approve the agreement was made by Beck and seconded by Cary.

Class C Beer and Class E Liquor licenses for the River Mart were approved upon motion by Beck. Seconded by Cary.

The Hawkeye, Des Moines County News and Mediapolis News were approved to serve as official newspapers for Des Moines County for 2016. Motion to approve was made by Beck and seconded by Cary.

The following reports were received and filed:
Auditor's Report of Fees Collected, Qtr. Ending December 2015
Correctional Center, November 2015
Des Moines County Pioneer Cemetery Commission, Annual report for 2015

Sheriff's Monthly Report, November 2015 (corrected)

Veterans Affairs, December 2015

Cary moved to approve minutes for the Board meeting held on December 22, 2015. Seconded by Beck.

A future agenda item will be approval of Committee assignments for 2016.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:28 AM.

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.dmcounty.com

Approved January 12, 2016 Tom Broeker, Chairman Attest: Carol S. Copeland, County Auditor