

April 26, 2016

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, April 26th, 2016, with Tom Broeker, Bob Beck and Jim Cary present.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions carried.

Meet with Department Heads: County Engineer Brian Carter reported that replacement of a box culvert on Pleasant Grove Road is continuing. Concrete is being poured today. The asphalt project on Memorial Park and Plank Roads will begin the week of May 9th. The contractor will begin work on Mediapolis Road and Highway 99 after that. Bids will be opened on May 11th for the North Gear / Flint Bottom Road project. Crews are continuing to work on shoulders on gravel roads.

Chris Lee, Director of County Conservation, reported that on-line registration for summer camps went live at midnight and went better than he imagined. The camps were half full by 8:00 AM this morning. Lee also reported that his department received a \$25,000 grant from WellMark Foundation. Out of 111 applications, only 13 were awarded. The County's grant will be used for the North Gorge Trail. The City of Burlington was also a recipient of a WellMark grant. Those funds will be used for Flint River Trail. Lee estimated that another three to four miles of trail will be built this year. County Attorney Amy Beavers reported that a trial will be held in District Court next week bringing more people into the building and parking will be a problem.

A Public Hearing for the purpose of amending the 2016 Budget was opened upon motion by Cary. Beck seconded. Budget Director Cheryl McVey explained the changes. There was no public comment. Beck moved to close the public hearing. Seconded by Cary. Motion to approve the amendment was made by Beck and seconded by Cary.

The City of West Burlington gave notice to the County Auditor that they want to hold a Special Election on July 5 to fill a vacancy on the City Council. Beck moved to approve. Seconded by Cary.

The City of Burlington sent a letter requesting that real estate taxes be abated on property at 925 Wells Street now owned by the City. The amount of unpaid tax is \$476. Cary moved to approve. Seconded by Beck.

Broeker read a letter of support for the City of Burlington, who is seeking a Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant for the riverfront improvement project. Beck moved to approve signing the letter. Second by Cary.

An agreement with Danville Community School District was presented by the Sheriff's department. A School Resource Officer will work part time at the school a minimum of two days per week and the school will reimburse the County \$15,298.92 in two equal installments. Motion to approve was made by Beck. Cary seconded.

Cary moved to approve a Class B Beer License for Flint Hills Golf Course. Seconded by Beck.

Personnel action at Community Services: Sara Daniel was hired as Mental Health Advocate effective April 18, 2016. Her salary will be \$34,045.16 annually. Motion to approve was made by Beck and seconded by Cary.

Cary moved to approve minutes for the Board meeting held on April 18th, 2016. Seconded by Beck.

During other business, Broeker reported that he has learned that wolf hybrid canines are not listed as dangerous animals by the DNR. He also stated that he has now heard from other residents in the area about their fear of being outside without a gun. Broeker asked for a work session in a few weeks to discuss any options the county has to prevent attacks such as the child being severely hurt last week.

A future agenda item will be a work session to replace the County's Medical Examiner. Dr. Torres will be retiring at the end of June.

During committee reports, Cary had attended a Community Action meeting. Head Start classes have been moved to James Madison School. Beck attended a DesCom meeting and toured the old guard house at IAAP for their future location. Broeker attended a MHDS meeting in Des Moines. They reviewed new rules for Mental Health Advocates.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:43 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.dmcountry.com

Approved May 3, 2016

Tom Broeker, Chairman

Attest: Carol S. Copeland, County Auditor