

December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 with Chairman Tom Broeker, Vice-Chair Jim Cary and Member Bob Beck present. This meeting was held with limited capacity due to COVID-19 and electronically via Webex and YouTube live streaming. Public input was available through board email or call in.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions passed unanimously. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted. Change to the Agenda - the Swearing-In Ceremony for newly Elected Officials was moved to the end of the agenda and will be conducted after the meeting is adjourned.

Meet with Department Heads: County Auditor Terri Johnson reported her office is busy and Danville School District submitted paperwork for a special election to be held on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021. Maintenance Supervisor Rodney Bliesener is working on his department budget and preparing for the pending winter weather. IT Director Colin Gerst stated his office is busy and working on his budget. Sheriff Mike Johnstone reported the transition is working well and he is looking forward to retirement. He was glad to serve the county for 44 years. County Engineer Brian Carter congratulated Sheriff Johnstone on his retirement. The road crews are still blading until the cold weather sets in and a couple of trucks were out Monday morning due to slick conditions in the northern part of the county. He reported the Hwy 99 bridge contractor is proceeding with the project. Carter is working on an agreement with Lee County in preparation in case there is a road crew employee shortage due to Covid. County Attorney Lisa Schaefer reported the office is fairly quiet. She reported a \$10,000 grant was received that will help pay for the Karpel system recently purchased. Jury trials are closed until February 16<sup>th</sup>. Bench trials are on a limited basis. Assistant Land Use Administrator Jarred Lassiter discussed some subdivision reviews and thanked Bob Beck for his time served on SEIRPC boards. Veterans Affairs Director Bob Housewright reported his office is working on his replacement as he will retire on December 31<sup>st</sup>. CDS Director Ken Hyndman reported SEIL had a Zoom meeting with Legislatures on how to use Cares Act money on mental health. Local Health Administrator Christa Poggemiller reported her department is busy and gave a COVID update. The county has an 8% - 7-day rate with 86 positive cases the last few days. Total cases are 3,458. They have started giving the Moderna Covid vaccine to health care workers – Doctors, Nurses, etc. She thanked Bob Beck for his service. Conservation Director Chris Lee was present. Via WebEx: Treasurer Janelle Nalley-Londquist reported her department is busy.

Correspondence. Supervisor Beck stated he has received lot of nice handwritten notes from individuals thanking him for his service with the county.

Years of Service recognition was presented to Supervisor Bob Beck for 16 years, Veterans Affairs Director Bob Housewright for 27-1/2 years and Sheriff Mike Johnstone for 44-1/2 years.

Payroll Claims Reimbursements for 12/18 in the amount of \$328.40 was presented. Beck motioned to approve and seconded by Cary.

The Danville Library/Museum contract was presented. The contract will provide \$10,000 annually commencing with FY2022 budget. Beck motioned to approve and seconded by Cary.

The Danville Township Trustee – Michael D. Miltenberger request for reappointment was presented. This is a 4-yr term ending December 31, 2024. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Beck.

County Engineer Brian Carter presented contracts for the Flint Bottom Road PCC Paving LFM-P50PCC—7X-29 project. Jones Contracting bid was under \$2,000,000. This is less than the engineers estimate of \$2,400,000. He attributed this to good competition as six bids were received. The project will start in late March or early April. Carter recommended approval. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Beck.

Personnel Actions: Assessor – Robert Roelfs, Appraiser. Resignation effective 12/31. Beck motioned to approve and seconded by Cary. GIS – Jeff Combs, GIS Technician. Resignation effective 12/21. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Beck. Local Health – Dorothy Ickes, Certified Nurse Aide. Resignation effective 12/13. Beck motioned to approve and seconded by Cary. Sheriff – Kevin Glendening, Sheriff-Elect. Requested leave of absence and payout of vacation after assuming the position of Sheriff per Iowa Code 55. Unused sick leave will be

compensated upon retirement or return to employment. Effective 1/2/2021. Beck motioned to approve and seconded by Cary. Veterans Affairs – Robert E. Housewright, Director. Retirement effective 12/31. Beck motioned to approve and seconded by Cary.

Report received and filed in the Auditor's Office: Jail Stats, November 2020

Cary motioned to approve the December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 meeting minutes and seconded by Beck. Broeker abstained.

Committee Reports. Broeker attended the SEIL Mental Health & Disabilities Zoom meeting with legislators.

Public Input. A note was received an individual had tried to call into the meeting. He had a question about the SEIL Region getting \$1.5 million for Children's Mental Health. CDS Director Ken Hyndman will call the individual to discuss the inquiry and answer any questions.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 AM.

Everyone moved to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor District Courtroom for the Swearing-In Ceremony. Chief Judge Mary Ann Brown conducted the swearing in. She presented the Oath of Office to each Elected Official: County Auditor Terri Johnson, Sheriff Kevin Glendening, Supervisor Jim Cary and Supervisor Shane McCampbell. Following the ceremony, a small farewell reception was held for Supervisor Bob Beck.

This Board meeting is recorded. The meeting minutes and audio are posted on the county's website [www.dmcounty.com](http://www.dmcounty.com)

Approved January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
Tom Broeker, Chairman  
Attest: Terri Johnson, Auditor