

July 10, 2012

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, July 10th, 2012, with Tom Broeker, Dan Cahill and Bob Beck present.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions passed unanimously.

Meet with Department Heads: County Engineer Brian Carter reported that crews are working on projects and some rain would be welcome. Cahill pointed out an error in a news article about combining the Recorder's office with the Auditor. This has been done in two Iowa counties, Woodbury and Marshall, not three. Lee County moved all of the Auditor's office to Ft. Madison and all of the Recorder's office to Keokuk. CPC Ken Hyndman reported that there will be a Case Management Advisory Board meeting on July 18th. He has also scheduled another meeting with the Judges and hospital staff on how to best serve mental health cases.

Correspondence received and filed: letter from Coalition to Support Iowa Farmers and notice of a RAB meeting on July 17th at 5 PM.

The following reports were received and filed:
Recorder's Report of Fees Collected Qtr ending 6/30/2012
Recorder's Report of Monies Collected for F/Y 2012
Boarding and Lodging of Prisoners, May 2012
Auditor's Report of Fees Collected Qtr ending 6/30/2012
Report of Mental Health Advocate, F/Y 2011

Cahill moved to approve minutes for the Board meeting held on July 3rd, 2012. Seconded by Beck.

During other business, Broeker stated that even though there were only two items on the agenda, it is important for the public to know that the Board is in session at 9 AM on Tuesday and they can come in to talk to the Supervisors. Beck asked Sheriff Mike Johnstone why law enforcement would chase a motorcycle at 100 mph, referring to an incident in Linn County where the motorcycle crashed and the rider died. Johnstone replied that situations vary and it is a judgment call. You never know why someone decided to run until the chase is over. Broeker reported that petitions are circulating around town to put the question on the November ballot whether to combine the Recorder's office with the Auditor's office. They are also available at the Supervisor's office. Broeker reported that he had received a call about the old county home from a real estate agent from Des Moines. Someone is interested in buying it for a Veteran's home.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 AM.

At noon, Department heads met with the Supervisors at Starr's Cave Nature Center for an informal work session.

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 July 17, 2012
Tom Broeker, Chairman
Attest: Carol S. Copeland, Auditor