

December 31, 2013

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013, with Tom Broeker and Jim Cary present. Bob Beck was absent.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions carried.

Meet with Department Heads: the County Auditor asked the Supervisors to decide which committees they would be accepting this year. County Engineer Brian Carter presented pictures of the Dodgeville Road project and went over the timeline of repairs. He stated that it was unusual for a project of this size to be completed in less than seven months. The project cost \$391,000 which will be fully reimbursed by Federal disaster funds. Conservation Director Chris Lee stated that there are lots of things to do outside; ice fishing, eagle watching and cross country skiing.

The following correspondence was received and filed: letter from DHS acknowledging receipt of our county's letter regarding Jefferson County joining the mental health region. DHS has approved this addition. Also, received a copy of the City of Burlington's Resolution approving the annexation of property at 6356 Summer Street.

Dave Wiemer, Burlington, requested that the Board convey real estate owned by the County to the City of Burlington. He explained that this parcel is landlocked and at the bottom of a gully at the west end of Lewis Street. He is in the process of getting other donations for the purpose of cleaning the Bonn's Hollow area and establishing a trails project. The Auditor will have a Resolution ready for the Board to sign next week.

Land Use Director Jeff Hanan presented a Resolution and Final Plat for the Lloyd and Mary Subdivision. This is a one lot minor subdivision and he recommended approval. Cary moved to approve. Broeker seconded.

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Section 354.8 of the Code of Iowa states that a governing body shall certify by resolution the approval of a subdivision plat, and,

WHEREAS the Final Plat for **Lloyd and Mary Subdivision** has been reviewed for conformance to applicable County standards by the Des Moines County Health Department, Secondary Roads Department, County Auditor, Zoning Commission Chair and Land Use Department and has been duly recommended by the aforementioned entities for approval,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Final Plat of **Lloyd and Mary Subdivision**.

Approved and adopted this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2013

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ATTEST: Carol S. Copeland, County Auditor

Hanan then presented a Resolution and Site Plan Review for property owned by Rodney Wittkamp at 11812 Hwy 99. Broeker revealed that Wittkamp was an acquaintance of his and had contributed to his 2010 election campaign but this would have no effect on his decision. Hanan had received a letter from Margaret McCreight, an adjoining owner, which Broeker read into the record. McCreight had several objections to the construction of a warehouse at this location: Comprehensive Plan subsection 02, B requires an eight foot fence and it must be 200 feet from an R-1 district. She also asked that a driveway to the warehouse be moved away from her property. Hanan stated that a warehouse falls under sub-section 02, D and recommended approval.

Jim Smith, Burlington, stated that he was co-owner of Green Acres Mobile Home Park that also adjoins Wittkamp's property. Lewis Beik, an engineer, assured Smith that the area would not flood because of rain water running off the large building. Smith asked that the County keep the ditches clean to assure there will be no flooding. Smith is concerned about the noise from the semi trucks that will be coming onto the warehouse property. He asked the Board to consider requiring earth berms and evergreen plantings to reduce the noise and dust. He doesn't believe that a slatted chain link fence will be sufficient to reduce the noise. He would prefer an eight foot solid fence. He also asked the Board to consider passing a jake break ordinance.

Rodney Wittkamp, Burlington, is the developer of this property. He stated that an 8 foot fence is not required under the ordinance. The driveway was installed before McCreight built their house and it would be expensive to move it. He is building the warehouse to provide local jobs. Broeker stated that he has visited the site several times and doesn't find sufficient cause to stiffen the requirements. There is a similar facility a quarter mile away. There are no noise or sight barriers there. Broeker stated that he does not find sufficient cause to overturn the

Zoning Commission recommendation. Motion to approve the Site Plan was made by Cary and seconded by Broeker.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Division 40-07(A) of the Des Moines County Zoning Ordinance requires site plan review prior to the issuance of a zoning permit, and;

WHEREAS the Des Moines County Zoning Commission conducted a public hearing on December 19, 2013 as required in Division 105 of the Des Moines County Zoning Ordinance, and;

WHEREAS the Zoning Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval as submitted with no special conditions a Site Plan for construction of a 120' x 200' building to be used for warehousing at 11812 Highway 99, and;

WHEREAS the County Engineer requires the following condition:

- Developer or future lot owner shall be responsible for all expenses related to future maintenance, removal, relocation or repair of the drainage pipe connecting the internal (located on private property) drainage ditch to the County roadside ditch.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Site Plan as submitted, with conditions noted above and hereby authorizes the Land Use Administrator to issue a Zoning Permit for said project.

Approved and adopted this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2013.

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No one was present to discuss Item 6 D and it was removed from the agenda.

Cary made a motion to accept the resignation of Mitzi Mueller from the Pioneer Cemetery Association and approve the appointment of Stacy Bliesener. Seconded by Broeker.

The annual report of the Des Moines County Pioneer Cemetery Commission was received and filed.

Cary moved to approve minutes for the Board meeting held on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Seconded by Broeker.

During other business, Broeker read a letter of acknowledgement to Cathy Cowles, Wapello, who donated eight burial plots at Memorial Park Cemetery to benefit indigent veterans.

Future agenda items: there will be a special meeting on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, to organize the Board for the year.

During committee reports, Cary had attended the Community Action annual lunch.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:37 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](http://www.dmcountry.com)

Approved January 7, 2014

Thomas Broeker, Chairman

Attest: Carol Copeland, County Auditor