

November 10, 2014

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 1:30 PM on Monday, November 10, 2014 with Bob Beck, Jim Cary and Tom Broeker present.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions carried.

Meet with Department Heads: Terri Johnson, Deputy Auditor stated the General Election went well. The poll workers reported the voters were constant and steady. She is now preparing for the Special Election to be held on December 2 for the City of Burlington City Council vacancy and West Burlington School District Board vacancy and public measures. County Engineer Brian Carter reported work is continuing on 140th St. They are pouring concrete for culverts, one is done. Conservation Director Chris Lee reported his crews are pulling the boat docks out of the river. He commented on the DNR's response to a white substance coming from Big Hollow Lake. A gate valve was left open longer than it should have been opened. The DNR had recommended opening the gate twice a year. The substance believed to be gypsum from construction of the lake deposited into Big Hollow Creek. It created a low oxygen level resulting in a minor fish kill. He is working with the DNR, EPA, etc. CPC Director Ken Hyndman reported he and others will do a presentation at ISAC this week regarding the Crisis Center. The State has not approved the Regional Plan yet. The State wanted a few more word changes.

County Treasurer Brenda Stellern and Keith Boyer, 2949 Woodland Drive spoke regarding a request to abate real estate taxes on 2959 Woodland Drive. Mr. Boyer purchased the property from Hope Haven in January 2014 for \$5,000. A home on the parcel was torn down due to severe water damage and landslides. The damage to 2959 Woodland also caused severe damage to the adjoining parcels. When the parcel was sold to the Boyer's they were unaware of the unpaid taxes. The house on the property was torn down this year and the lot will never be a buildable lot again. Mr. Boyer asked if \$9,283, the taxes on the house, could be abated. He is willing to pay the \$1,531 taxes on the land. Cary motioned to abate the taxes for the house for tax year 2013 and include the 2014 tax bill for next year. Seconded by Broeker.

The following personnel actions for the County Attorney's Office were recieved: Investigator William Dideriksen, Receptionist Kay Hagen and Senior Assistant County Attorney Lisa Schaefer were discharged effective 11/5/2014. Broeker motioned to approve the actions and seconded by Cary. Robbie Ford, Collections Clerk was reclassified from PT to FT effective 11/17/2014. New rate is \$25,052.95 a year. Cary motioned to approve the action and seconded by Broeker. A personnel action in the Auditor's Office was received. Karla B. Cornick, Clerk II received an anniversary step increase. New rate will be \$29,945.80 effective 11/26/2014. Broeker motioned to approve the action and seconded by Cary.

The following reports were received and filed:

County Recorder, October 2014
Case Management, October 2014
General Assistance, October 2014

Broeker moved to approve minutes for the regular Board meeting held on November 4, 2014. Seconded by Cary.

Terri Johnson, Election Coordinator, presented the final results of the 2014 General Election. Broeker motioned to approve the results as canvassed. Seconded by Cary.

(Results are on file at the Auditor's Office or on the website and can be read in their entirety there.)

Future agenda items: Official Oath of Office for Amy Beavers, County Attorney

Cary attended a RUSS meeting. He called it very interesting. Nothing was settled at the meeting and no agreement was reached. Beck attended a DeCat meeting. Broeker attended a SEIowa Link meeting and talked about the Medicaid offset.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:38 PM.

This Board meeting is recorded and kept on file for two years. The minutes are also posted on the county's website www.dmcountry.com

Approved November 18, 2014

Bob Beck, Chairman

Attest: Terri Johnson, Deputy Auditor