

April 28, 2015

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, April 28th, 2015, with Jim Cary, Tom Broeker and Bob Beck present.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions passed unanimously.

Meet with Department Heads: County Engineer Brian Carter reported that road conditions are improving. Chris Lee, Director of County Conservation, reported that the open house for Starr's Cave Nature Center was held last night. Sign up for Summer Camp begins at 5 PM today and parents were already lining up to register their children. At Big Hollow, the approaches to the berms are being improved before the shooting range will be reopened. The Iowa Water Legacy funding is being discussed before the Legislature today. Beck asked Lee what it would take to make summer camps available to more children. Lee responded that he would need more money to hire staff and buy materials for education. If the Legislature would vote to increase the sales tax, the Natural Resources Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund would receive about \$150 million annually. County Recorder Lisa Schreiner reported that she has ordered the Scan Pro machine to digitize microfilmed records.

The following personnel actions were approved: at the Correctional Center, FT Correctional Officer Shelby Standard resigned effective May 1, 2015. Beck moved to approve. Broeker seconded. At County Conservation, Alex Buhmeyer, Operations Supervisor, completed his probation. His salary will increase from \$41,600 to \$42,640 effective May 3. Motion to approve was made by Beck. Broeker seconded. John Mercer, Park Ranger/Conservation Technician, graduated from Law Enforcement Academy. His salary will increase from \$32,800 to \$36,800 effective April 20, 2015. Motion to approve was made by Broeker and seconded by Beck. Cheri Turney, receptionist at the County Attorney's office, will be taking leave without pay beginning April 20th until further notice. Motion to approve was made by Broeker. Seconded by Beck.

A report from Veterans Affairs for March 2015 was received and filed.

Broeker moved to approve minutes for the Board meeting held on April 21, 2015. Seconded by Beck.

Future agenda items: County Attorney Amy Beavers requested a work session to discuss contracts for Medical Examiner Investigators. She stated that contracts are expiring and one person does not want to continue. The Auditor was asked to place this item on next week's agenda.

During committee reports, Broeker had attended a Regional Planning meeting where the County Disaster Mitigation Plan was discussed. Cary attended a Community Action meeting.

During Public Input Session #2, Larry Williams, Burlington, explained to the Board that a grant received to build a floodwall along the riverfront will be repaid using 70% of any increase in sales tax revenue. He stated that the railroad backed out of the flood mitigation project.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 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.dmcounty.com

Approved May 5, 2015
Jim Cary, Chairman
Attest: Carol S. Copeland, County Auditor