

December 1, 2015

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, December 1st, 2015, with Jim Cary, Tom Broeker and Bob Beck present.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions passed unanimously.

Meet with Department Heads: Sheriff Mike Johnstone reported a new scam in the area. A man identifying himself as Des Moines County Sheriff's Deputy Bradley is calling area residents, telling them that there is a bench warrant for their arrest and if they want to avoid jail they should post a bond via Western Union. Johnstone stressed that this person does not represent his department and his office does not make calls of this kind. Anyone receiving one of these calls should contact the Sheriff's office. Gina Hardin, Emergency Management Director, reported that a service called Des Moines County Alerts is now available in this area. All land lines listed in the phone book have been registered but she urged residents to sign up their cell phones to receive text or voice messages about all types of weather related emergencies or civil dangers. Alerts can also be posted to home computers. This service is similar to the Reverse 911 the county had several years ago. It is funded by the State. Chris Lee, Conservation Director, reported that he and four or five staff members conducted a phone survey of persons who camped at county campgrounds this summer. They asked what services were used and what the campers would like to have available in the future. Brian Carter, County Engineer, stated that this was not a good time to live on a gravel road. The county received six inches of snow followed by rain and roads are not in good shape. Crews will be blading on Wednesday if the roads dry out.

The following correspondence was received and filed: notice from the West Burlington City Council of a meeting on December 9th. The Council will discuss amending their Urban Renewal Plan.

Broeker moved to approve accounts payable claims in the amount of \$612,574.00. Seconded by Beck.

Angie Vaughan was appointed to a five year term on the Des Moines County Conservation Board. Motion was made by Beck and seconded by Broeker. Vaughan was appointed to fill a vacancy and has served for the past two years.

The following personnel actions were approved: at Public Health, Homemaker Home Health Aides Judy Weatherwax and Connie Hutchinson were promoted from part time to full time effective November 30th. HSHA Joyce King was also promoted to full time effective December 14, 2015. They will be paid \$27,040 per year. Motion to approve all actions was made by Broeker and seconded by Beck.

The minutes for the November 24th, 2015, Board meeting were approved upon motion by Beck and second by Broeker.

During committee reports, Broeker had attended the ground-breaking ceremony for the new Hopefully Yours resale shop. The store is run by Hope Haven staff and clients.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:44 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

Following the meeting, the Supervisors met with the County Engineer to discuss his plans to distribute rock during the 2016 season.

Approved December 8, 2015
Jim Cary, Chairman
Attest: Carol S. Copeland, County Auditor