

August 1, 2023

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, with Chair Shane McCampbell, Vice-Chair Tom Broeker, and Member Jim Cary present. This meeting was also held electronically via Webex and YouTube live streaming. Public input was available through board email or call in.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions passed unanimously. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Meeting with Department Heads: Maintenance Director Rodney Bliesner reported the siding project at the Jail is coming along. Local Health Director Christa Poggemiller stated her office had a booth set up at the Des Moines County Fair to assist with any health concerns. They will also have a booth set up at National Night Out tonight. They had a Board of Health meeting last week and are currently working on a Vaping Ordinance. Conservation Director Chris Lee reported his staff will also be at National Night Out tonight. They will also hold a Summer Celebration event Saturday August 12<sup>th</sup> at Starrs Cave to wind down before school begins this year. Safety Director Angela Vaughan reported they are busy. Jail Administrator Doug Ervine reported the Jail currently has 81 inmates. He would like to announce the retirement of Correctional Officer Darlene Fox. He would like to congratulate her and wish her the best of luck in retirement. He would also like to announce the hiring of Kenny Zahner to the Sheriff's Department. Kenny brings 30 years of experience to the Department from the Burlington Police Department, and we look forward to having him as a Sheriff Deputy. Assistant County Attorney Trent Henkelvig reported he is returning from vacation and catching up on his emails. The office remains busy. County Recorder Natalie Steffener reports her office remains busy. Veterans Affairs Coordinator Brooke Marland reported she had a booth at the Des Moines County Fair doing outreach. Mental Health Agency of Southeast Iowa Administrative Assistant Patty Brooks reported the Mobile Crisis will begin at 7:00 a.m. tomorrow morning. Patty would also like to thank the Auditor's Office for everything they do in assisting the Mental Health Region with claims. It is a very smooth process, and she stated the Auditor's Office staff are very easy to work with. Emergency Management Director Gina Hardin reported she is also going to have a booth at National Night Out. She is working with Iowa Homeland Security on reimbursing those who had damages in the 2023 flood. Assistant Land Use Administrator Jarred Lassiter reported there is a work session coming up for the Solar Ordinance later this month. The office remains busy. County Auditor Sara Doty reports her office remains busy. County Engineer Brian Carter stated the Highway 99 project is making good progress. The contractor poured some concrete yesterday and is hoping to pour more concrete again today. The contractor is starting to demolish the old bridge today.

The Board of Supervisors received correspondence from the Danville Station. The Danville Station wanted to thank the Board of Supervisors for their donation to the Station that has helped with the library over the years.

Approval of Accounts Payable Claims in the amount of \$867,418.91 was presented. Cary made a motion to approve and was seconded by Broeker.

Approval of National Night Out Proclamation was presented. Broeker made a motion to approve and was seconded by Cary.

Approval of Personnel Actions for Emergency Management was presented. Shannon Prado, Assistant/Volunteer Coordinator, New Hire, \$18.75 hourly, effective 7/24/23. Cynthia Bowen, Retirement, effective 7/31/23. Broeker made a motion to approve them both and was seconded by Cary. Sheriff – Kenny Zahner, Deputy, New Hire, \$69,469.41 Yearly effective 8/23/23; Jon Gates, Deputy, 24-Month Step Increase, New Rate of \$63,918.55 Yearly effective 8/23/23; Zander Schweiss, Deputy, 24-Month Step Increase, New Rate of \$63,918.55 Yearly effective 8/24/23. Cary made a motion to approve all three and was seconded by Broeker. Correctional Center – Holly Carpenter, Correctional Officer, 36-Month Step Increase, New Rate of \$47,733.07 effective 7/15/23; Rita Forquer, Kitchen Assistant, 3-Month Step Increase, New Rate of \$10.26 Hourly effective 6/26/23; Jalon Lacy, Correctional Officer, 6-Month Step Increase, \$43,808.05 Yearly effective 7/25/23; Darlene Fox, Correctional Officer, Retirement effective 8/2/23. Broeker made a motion to approve all four of these personnel actions and Cary seconded.

Report received and filed in the Auditor's Office:  
Dewey Byar Trust U/W, Qtr Ending 6/30/23.

Cary motioned to approve the July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023, regular meeting minutes and seconded by Broeker.

Future Agenda Items: Solar Work Session August 15<sup>th</sup>, Animal Control Ordinance Work Session August

8<sup>th</sup>.

Broeker attended a Southeast Iowa Riverboat Commission Meeting and Cary attended a Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 AM.

Following the board meeting, a work session was held with The Department Heads/Payroll personnel to discuss Workers Compensation Policies.

Following the work session, the Board of Supervisors went on a project tour with the County Engineer.

This Board meeting is recorded. The meeting minutes and audio are posted on the county's website [www.dmcounty.com](http://www.dmcounty.com)

Approved August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Shane McCampbell, Chair  
Attest: Sara Doty, County Auditor