

October 29, 2024

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, with Chair Tom Broeker, Vice Chair Jim Cary, and Member Shane McCampbell 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.

Changes to Tentative Agenda: Personnel from Iowa Prison Industries will speak during Other Business.

Meeting with Department Heads: Auditor Sara Doty reported that the public test is today at 2 p.m. There were 3,237 in person absentee voters and 6,405 with the mail out absentee requests. The PEO training is on Wednesday and Thursday. The office is open Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for Absentee voting. Next week's board meeting will be on Wednesday due to the Tuesday election. Budget Director Cheryl McVey stated that everything is going well. IT Director Colin Gerst stated they are busy. Sheriff Kevin Glendening reported that the jail population is 113 with over 30 out-of-county. He is going to be on the Mental Health Advisory Board for Region 7. Attorney Lisa Schaefer stated that they are busy. Maintenance Director Rodney Bliesener reported that they are finishing up some outside work. Land Use Assistant Administrator Jarred Lassiter stated they are busy and had nothing new to report. Conservation Director Chris Lee stated that today is the last Fall color hike at Starr's Cave. On Veteran's Day they have a sunrise run. Half of the proceeds will go to fund local Veterans. On November 23<sup>rd</sup>, there will be a Turkey Trot run. Half of the funds raised will go to the Salvation Army. Those are on the Starr's Cave trail. MHASEI CDS Director Ken Hyndman stated that Mae and Lori from the East Central Region will be addressing the board today. Emergency Management Coordinator Shannon Prado stated that due to the winds today and tomorrow, we should refrain from burning. Local Health Administrator Christa Poggemiller stated that the clinics have been busy, and they are finishing the school audits for immunizations. Engineer Brian Carter stated that Highway 99 bridge is open. The Upper Flint Bridge is still closed. They are starting a one lane project on Seven Ponds Road. There will be lights set up.

No correspondence was received.

Approval of Payroll Reimbursement Claims in the amount of \$353.85. McCampbell made a motion to approve and was seconded by Cary.

Approval of IDOT Federal-aid Agreement for STP-S-C029(98)—5E-29 for DMC HWY 99. Engineer Carter explained that there are federal funds involved. This is for the Highway 99 asphalt job. Cary made a motion to approve and was seconded by McCampbell.

Approval of Personnel Actions were presented: Correctional Center – Peyton Krogmeier, Correctional Officer, Part-time to Full-time, new rate \$48,614.34 effective Nov. 6. Kenyetta Rooks, Correctional Officer, unpaid FMLA hours 73.30. McCampbell made a motion to approve and was seconded by Cary. Attorney – Cassandra Kilby, Law Clerk, 2.75 hours of unpaid leave. Cary made a motion to approve and was seconded by McCampbell.

Report: Dewey Byar Trust Report, 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 7/1/24 – 9/30/24

McCampbell motioned to approve October 22nd, 2024, regular meeting minutes and was seconded by Cary.

Other Business:

Tammy Nielsen, Iowa Prison Industries, was present to explain a work training program that they are going to set up at Winegard. She introduced Bob Fairfax, Director of Iowa Prison Industries, Marcy Stroud, Warden at Mt. Pleasant Facility, and Carrie and Denise from Winegard. Minimum security inmates from Mt. Pleasant will be bused to Winegard and paid the same wage as workers doing the same job. The inmate receives 20% of their gross wages, and the rest can be used for victim compensation, room and board, fines, or a savings account. Bob Fairfax stated that inmates who participate in the program are three to four times more likely to be successful when they are released than their peers. The program is completely self-funded.

Mae Hingtgen, CEO of Mental Health and Disability Services of the East Central Region and Lori Elam, CEO of the Eastern Iowa MHDS Region explained that Des Moines County is going to be part of the new District 7.

They explained their vision for the new District. The new district is effective July 1, 2025. They have from January 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup> to transition to the new district. One of their goals is clients won't notice any change in their services. If there is something that is working in Des Moines County, they want to partner with us and continue that service. They are unaware of the funding that will be available to the new districts. Sheriff Glendening expressed that crisis intervention is an important service to law enforcement. He stated that it would be nice to have consistency in those services. Preparing inmates for transition into the community is important as well. Mobile crisis has been helpful in reducing calls for service. Each district will have an Administrative Service Organization (ASO), but an ASO can be responsible for more than one district.

Chairman Broeker and Engineer Carter toured the wind turbine disasters at Mechanicsville where two wind turbines burned and sent large chunks of burning metal as far as 1500 feet to the ground. There is fiberglass 12" deep in the soil. The owners of the turbines want to blow them up. There could still be fuel in the turbines. The Department of Natural Resources says the environmental issue falls on the landowner. The leases can be sold, and the owner is in Spain. Chairman Broeker would like to contact the ICAP Attorney to discuss the setbacks in the county's ordinance. Land Use Assistant Administrator Jarred Lassiter stated that they are working with Lee County Board of Supervisors on Wind/Solar Ordinances and the issue of emergency response has come up. They are talking about additional language being added to our ordinance.

Committee Reports: Vice-Chairman Cary had a SEIRP meeting where they gave an update on the scoring process for STP.

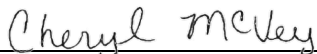
Public Input: Chairman Broeker reminded everyone that next week's board meeting will be on Wednesday. Further discussion was held regarding the county's wind/solar ordinance. Emergency Management Coordinator Shannon Prado stated that there is a red flag warning issued which means there is a county-wide burn ban.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

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

November 6, 2024

Date Approved



Attest: Budget Director

  
Chairman