

Board Minutes Monday July 26, 2010

The Board of Supervisors met as per adjournment with all members present.

Moved by Logsdon and seconded by Bouska to open the public hearing in regards to the impact of the upper Bluffton Bridge replacement on the DNR's Fir Stand. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. One written comment was received but related to the historic preservation of the bridge rather than the impact on the Fir Stand. Verbal comments were received from public encouraging the replacement as expeditiously as possible to improve traffic flow and safety in the area. Moved by Askelson and seconded by Logsdon to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Lee Bjerke, county Engineer, met with the Board to discuss road matters.

The Board attended the 20th anniversary celebration of the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Moved by Askelson and seconded by Ibanez to proclaim a recommitment to full implementation of the ADA. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Lucy, staffer for Senator Harkin, and Valerie Nehl, staffer for Senator Grassley; met with the Board to give them an update on funding for the proposed government center. The Senators have received the requests and will try to incorporate these requests into next year's budget.

The third reading of the proposed subdivision street ordinance was held.

Tom and Tara, Bushman Insurance, met with the Board to discuss the annual insurance renewal. Moved by Askelson and seconded by Ibanez to accept the renewal and pay Bushman Insurance an agent fee of \$10,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bouska and seconded by Logsdon to reappoint Charles Ira to the Veterans Affairs Commission for a three year term. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Logsdon and seconded by Askelson to approve the letter of understanding with Hacker, Nelson & Co, PC in regards to this year's financial audit. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Askelson and seconded by Ibanez to approve the Addendum of Lease Agreement with the City of Decorah for joint dispatching expenses and rent of space at the Law Enforcement Center. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bouska and seconded by Logsdon to designate the 35% LOST revenue to be used “for general county betterment” to be used by the County’s Secondary Road department henceforth, until such time in the future that it is designated for a different use. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Askelson and seconded by Bouska to approve the minutes for the Monday July 19, 2010 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bouska and seconded by Logsdon to approve the claims filed with the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Logsdon and seconded by Bouska to adopt resolutions 11-004 and 11-005 designating Aaron Burkes to replace Wendy Mihm-Herold as the authorized representative for the County’s Hazard Mitigation plans and grants. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Moved by Ibanez and seconded by Askelson to approve the Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant Closeout. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ibanez and seconded by Askelson to adopt ordinance 11-161, an ordinance for opening residential platted and subdivision streets. County Engineer, Lee Bjerke, does not recommend the ordinance. Motion carried by roll call vote with Logsdon, Askelson, and Ibanez voting aye; and Darling and Bouska voting nay. The Ordinance will be effective after its publication. Complete ordinance on file in the county Auditor’s office.

Moved by Ibanez and seconded by Askelson to approve an additional 2% salary increase for the Sheriff’s Clerks retroactive to July 1, 2010. Motion carried with Logsdon, Askelson, and Ibanez voting aye; and Darling and Bouska voting nay.

Moved by Logsdon and seconded by Ibanez to adjourn to 9:30am Monday August 2, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST _____

Benjamin D Steines
County Auditor

Dean H Darling, Chairman
Board of Supervisors