

March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019, with Chairman Tom Broeker and Jim Cary present. Vice-Chair Bob Beck was absent.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions passed unanimously.

The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Meet with Department Heads: County Auditor Terri Johnson reported two Union Township positions needed to be filled for the trustee and clerk. The positions have been posted on the website. April 2<sup>nd</sup> is the Burlington School Special Election. Polls are open from Noon to 8:00 PM and voters may vote absentee in person at the courthouse until 11:00 AM on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Johnson stated she has received calls about the County Rural Cleanup. The Board stated they were in favor of a spring cleanup and it will be held April 1<sup>st</sup> thru April 27<sup>th</sup>. Maintenance Supervisor Rodney Bliesener had a meeting with Johnson Controls to discuss the layout of the jail control board. County Engineer Brian Carter stated Tama Road is closed due to the high river level. The river crest is higher than expected. Crews are spot rocking and blading gravel roads most of this week and others are cold patching potholes on paved roads. Emergency Management Director Gina Hardin reported she coordinated a flood meeting and discussed possible flooding events. The river is expected to crest on April 18<sup>th</sup>. Her office is sending letters to residents in the north bottoms area to warn them to be aware and be prepared. The Statewide Tornado Drill will take place on Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. The first SkyWarn meeting will be held tonight. Conservation Director Chris Lee reported his crews are working on getting the parks, except the Skunk River park, open by the end of this week. Controlled burn season is taking place this week and a training session will be held April 2<sup>nd</sup> for those wanting to volunteer to assist Conservation with controlled burns. The session is limited to twelve and can register online. County Attorney Lisa Schaefer reported they are busy working with Maintenance regarding possible flood issues by preparing contingency plans. State Assistant Attorney General Scott Brown is assisting the County Attorney with homicide cases due to staff shortage. Land Use Administrator Zach James stated things are going well. They have two subdivisions out for review and receiving lots of phone calls and home occupation application inquiries. County Recorder Lisa Hazell reported on April 2<sup>nd</sup> the Genealogy Society will meet in her office from 6PM to 8PM for their yearly research event. County Treasurer Janelle Nalley-Londquist reported her office is busy and reminded everyone the 2<sup>nd</sup> half property taxes are due by April 1<sup>st</sup>. IT Director Colin Gerst stated his office is busy. Jail Administrator Doug Ervine reported the jail population is 92. Chief Deputy Brett Grimshaw reported a couple of deputies are at the Casino training the run, hide and fight program. He gave an update on the new hires. They should be ready for the academy by the end of April.

Payroll Claims Reimbursements in the amount of \$1,237.96 and Non-Cash in the amount of \$100.00 was presented. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Broeker.

Approval of Engagement Letter with Anderson, Larkin & Co in connection with the audit for FY2019 was presented. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Broeker.

The Middletown / Des Moines County Law Enforcement Agreement for FY 2019/2020 was presented. The Sheriff will provide patrol for such hours as may be necessary to provide minimum protection and law enforcement for \$12,500 per year due in two payments of \$6,250. 1<sup>st</sup> half due October 31, 2019 and 2<sup>nd</sup> half due April 30, 2020. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Broeker.

Broeker read a proclamation designating April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Broeker.

Child Abuse Prevention Month 2019  
Proclamation

Whereas, our children are our most valuable resource and will shape the future of Des Moines County:

Whereas child abuse and neglect directly harms children and increases the likelihood of long-term physical and mental health problems, alcohol and substance abuse, continued family violence and criminal behavior;

Whereas, children suffering from child abuse are more likely to: engage in risky behavior, perform poorly in school, develop unhealthy relationships, suffer from depression, attempt suicide, and express violent aggression, and

Whereas, only \$1 is spent on preventing child abuse in Iowa for every \$50 spent on treating it; and

Whereas, Iowa is leading research efforts to better understand the negative long-term outcomes of child abuse and neglect among adults through the Adverse Childhood Experiences study (ACEs), which shows that poor physical health, mental health, and financial health in adulthood is attributed to adverse experiences in childhood, including abuse and neglect; and

Whereas, the risk of child abuse is reduced through strong social supports for adults and children; and

Whereas, research shows that the presence of one caring relationship in a child's life mitigates negative outcomes and reduces risk factors, resulting in better physical health, mental health, and financial health; and

Whereas, positive social supports for children and adults are key factors to improving social well-being in Iowa; and

Now Therefore, We, the Des Moines County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim April 2019 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Des Moines County and urge all citizens to in our community to increase their participation in building caring connections with families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the community in which we live.

Dated this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.

Thomas L. Broeker, Chairman  
Robert W. Beck, Vice-Chair  
Jim Cary, Member

Resolution to set the date and time for FY19 Budget Amendment. Broeker read the resolution into record. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Broeker.

RESOLUTION SETTING TIME AND DATE OF FY 19 BUDGET AMENDMENT HEARING  
2019-018

BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1) The Board of Supervisors hereby fixes the time and place for a public hearing on the FY 19 budget amendment for Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at the Des Moines County Courthouse.
- 2) The Des Moines County Budget Director is hereby directed to publish the notice and estimated summary as required by law.
- 3) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED this 26th day of March, 2019.

DES MOINES COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tom Broeker, Chairman  
Bob Beck, Vice-Chairman  
Jim Cary, Member  
ATTEST: Terri Johnson, Auditor

Approval of the Tentative Agreement with CWA Local 7176 – Deputies and Correctional Officers bargaining unit was presented. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Broeker.

Approval of the Tentative Agreement with CWA Local 7176 – Clerical and Custodial bargaining unit was presented. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Broeker.

A 15 Years of Service of Award was presented to County Engineer Brian Carter by Chairman Broeker.

Personnel Actions: Conservation – Tanner Gebhardt, Summer Intern. New hire. New rate \$11.00 hr., effective 4/1. Zach Hunter, Summer Intern. New hire. New rate \$12.00 hr., effective 4/1. Dianne Jennings, Day Hire-Naturalist Assistant. New hire. New rate \$12.00 hr., effective 4/1. Dalton Thompson, Summer Intern. New hire. New rate \$11.00 hr., effective 4/1. Katherine Williams, Day Hire-Naturalist Assistant. New hire. New rate \$12.00 hr., effective 4/1. Cary motioned to approve all five actions and seconded by Broeker. Correctional Center - Austin Dunham, Full-Time Correctional Officer. 12-month step increase. New rate \$38,370.90 yr., effective 3/26. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Broeker. Emergency Management - Janet Charbonneau, Assistant Coordinator. Probationary, new rate \$17.33 hr., effective 4/2. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Broeker.

Reports received and filed in the Auditor's Office: Jail Stats, February 2019

Cary motioned to approve the March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting minutes and seconded by Broeker.

Future Agenda Items. Secondary Roads 5-yr Construction Program Road tour following the meeting next week.

Committee reports. Cary attended an Early Childhood meeting and a Community Action meeting. He stated each program is having trouble keeping parents involved in programs they provide. Transportation is an issue. He also stated the increase in more kids in Juvenile Detention and the increased costs. Broeker attended a COBCO meeting and SEIL Governing Board meeting.

Public Input. Tom Courtney, 2609 Clearview Dr., Burlington addressed the child issues. He contributed this issue to Iowa being a low wage state. Not paid enough in wages and kids suffer.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:46 AM.

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

Approved April 2nd, 2019  
Tom Broeker, Chairman  
Attest: Terri Johnson, Auditor