

April 30th, 2019

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, April 30th, 2019, with Chairman Tom Broeker, Vice-Chair Bob Beck and Jim Cary present.

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

Meet with Department Heads: County Auditor Terri Johnson reported attending State Election Administrator Training (SEAT) last Friday. Changes to the election laws by the Legislature was discussed. County Attorney Lisa Schaefer reported her office is busy with a murder trial starting tomorrow and another jury trial taking place next week. She is meeting with a potential new hire soon. Land Use Administrator Zach James stated his office has a few subdivisions for review. James reported SEIRPC received input from FEMA for the review time frame of proposed changes to the FEMA maps. County Engineer Brian Carter reported Mediapolis Road and Sperry Road asphalt and shoulder projects are done. The rumble strips and pavement markings still need to be done. Lee County Secondary Roads may be low on staff next month, Des Moines County will help with staffing, if needed and available. Carter reported the river is rising again. Tama Road will close soon and depending on the river level, water may go over Hwy 99 requiring its closure and rain is in the forecast for most of the week. Carter reported the gravel roads are soft due to the rain. A pinching project was started on Skunk River Road. In the middle of the project they had equipment failure and now the rain. Carter commented of the Legislature passing SF629 allowing increased poundage on axels. County Engineers did not agree on the bill and it is currently waiting for the Governor's signature. Conservation Director Chris Lee stated he is watching the water rise. The Welter Recreation Area - Maple Loop along Skunk River will remain closed due to damage from flooding. His crew is preparing for a month's worth of events – Dragon Boat races, Women's Outdoor event, Youth Jamboree and Memorial Day weekend. Sign up for Summer Camps is open online. County Treasurer Janelle Nalley-Londquist reported 1500 delinquent notices are being prepared to mail. Chief Deputy Brett Grimshaw reported the new deputies are at the academy for training. Public Health Administrator Christa Poggemiller reported the Drug Take Back event was held last weekend, the turnout was lower due to weather. The Measles Vaccine is available at the clinic. Most of the measles cases are due to no vaccination and anyone with concerns about measles should contact their health care provider. Others present were: Maintenance Supervisor Rodney Bliesener, IT Director Colin Gerst and Safety Director Angie Vaughan.

Correspondence: Chairman Broeker read a letter received from FEMA. The Department of Homeland Security has provided Des Moines County with preliminary copies of the revised Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for the county and incorporated areas. They published a notice in the Hawkeye paper there will be a 90-day review process. Anyone living in the floodplain or close to it should review the proposed maps.

Approval of IDOT Agreement for Traffic Safety Improvement Program Funding – Iowa City Road L-TSF-89-74-29 was presented by County Engineer Brian Carter. Des Moines County received \$355,000 and these funds will go towards the cost of wider pavement and rumble strips to be added to Iowa City Road pavement project. Beck motioned to approve and seconded by Cary.

Personnel Actions: Local Health – Kasi Geren, Public Health Nurse. Resignation effective 4/19. Beck motioned to approve and seconded by Cary.

Reports received and filed in the Auditor's Office: Dewey Byar Trust U/W, Qtr. ending 3/31/2019 and Veterans Affairs, April 2019

Cary motioned to approve minutes for the Board meeting held on April 23rd, 2019 and seconded by Beck.

Committee reports: Broeker attended an Emergency Management Agency meeting and received a HIPAA update from Carosh. Beck attended a Des Moines County Solid Waste Commission meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:37 AM.

A work session followed the meeting. The County Engineer gave the Board an update on the Eagle Road

Upgrade request. A portion of Eagle Road is dirt and a non-adjointing landowner is wanting to improve the road for a possible hog confinement building. The additional right-of-way already exists, utility poles were moved several years ago and the road graded, it was just not completed. According to the new requirements a new road petition from current owners would need to be submitted and the owners would have to pay for half of the rock. Carter will forward the information.

The Board of Supervisors and County Engineer took a tour of the Mediapolis Road and Sperry Road projects.

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.dmcountry.com

Approved May 7, 2019
Tom Broeker, Chairman
Attest: Terri Johnson, Auditor