

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 with Chairman Jim Cary, Vice-Chair Tom Broeker and Member Bob Beck present.

Changes to Tentative Agenda: Work Session with Washington National Supplemental Benefits was removed.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions passed unanimously.

Meet with Department Heads: County Auditor Terri Johnson reported 956 absentee ballot requests have been received. Absentee voting begins October 8<sup>th</sup> and sample ballots are available on the County website. Poll workers are needed for the General Election. Maintenance Supervisor Rodney Bliesener reported his department is preparing for the winter months and he is busy reviewing the voting precincts for ADA requirements. CDS Director Ken Hyndman stated he has attended a lot of subcommittee meetings for the SEIL Region. Land Use Administrator Zach James reported everything is going well. The DNR will hold a public meeting to review the updated FIRM maps. IT Director Colin Gerst stated his office is busy and they are getting ready to do a server upgrade in the next couple of weeks. County Recorder Lisa Schreiner reported she has a new part-time clerk. Schreiner has been busy getting ready for the new ATV user permit process. She reported on Tyler Content Manager (TCM) and updates on scanning old recorded documents in her office. Tyler is working with US Imaging to scan old documents and integrate the documents into Eagle Recorder with the ability to index the documents for easier access. Conservation Director Chris Lee stated they are very close to completing the front half of the Flint River Trail. The playground equipment for Big Hollow is coming this week, pending the weather, the company installing the playground equipment should be here by Wednesday and finish by Friday or over the weekend. Lee stated the Big Hollow campground is still half-full. Conservation finished a new public survey campaign online and will use this information to start a new five-year plan. Supervisor Beck asked Lee if he knew how Geode Lake was progressing. Director Lee stated the work should be completed on the lake this year. Sheriff Mike Johnstone stated his department is busy with the murder trial in Washington County. The Sheriff also wanted to remind the public to be careful because the farmers are on the road for harvest season. County Engineer Brian Carter reported Flint Bottom Road is scheduled to be closed October 8<sup>th</sup>, so the contractor can continue work on the Hwy 61 expansion. (Before the meeting ended Carter received an update on Flint Bottom Road – the closure has been postponed). Carter reported on county road projects – last week his crews pinched a couple of roads. The asphalt contractor will start milling on Beavertdale Road. The work will be an inconvenience as one lane at a time will be closed. After milling is complete, new asphalt will be installed. After Beavertdale Road is completed they will move to Mediapolis Road. Carter commented State Legislatures passed a bill supported by AGC. The bill supposedly would not affect counties but changes the chart on requirements for bridges. Contractors want to use heavier equipment on county roads to access rock quarries. Heavier equipment will affect qualifications for bridges and changing the requirements on bridges could affect around thirty bridges in Des Moines County. This means a lot of bridges will need to be reassessed which could change weight limits on bridges. The County will have to pay for the reassessments and for new signage on the bridges. This will also have an impact on agriculture.

Third and Final Public hearing for ATV/UTV Ordinance #56. Broeker motioned to open the public hearing and seconded by Beck. Cary asked if anyone objected to not reading the ordinance again. Broeker received an email enforcing the comments received by Dr. Jennisen last week. No other public input was received. Broeker motioned to close the public hearing and seconded by Beck. Beck motioned to approve ATV/UTV Ordinance #56 and seconded by Broeker. Sheriff Johnstone stated he will contact the Levee District about posting signs on the levee disallowing the use of ATV's on the levees. He will also approach the cities about the ordinance. Conservation Director Lee stated his Board will discuss the ordinance at their next meeting and how it will affect the county parks.

Resolution setting the fee for a ATV/UTV county permit decal was presented. Cary read the resolution into record. Broeker motioned to approve and seconded by Beck.

**RESOLUTION #2018-060**  
**Setting ATV/UTV FEE**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors may collect a fee for county permit decals for ATV/UTV's, and

WHEREAS, the fee collected by the Recorder's Office is necessary to cover as much of the cost of providing these services as is reasonable.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

The fee that may be charged by the Des Moines County Recorder for the service listed below is hereby set, effective upon publication of Ordinance #56 – ATV/UTV Ordinance:

County Decal to Permit the use of an ATV/UTV on Des Moines County Roads..... \$25.00

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2018.

DES MOINES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Jim Cary, Chairman

Tom Broeker, Vice-Chair

Robert W. Beck, Member

ATTEST: Terri Johnson, Des Moines County Auditor

Accounts Payable Claims in the amount of \$654,060.84 were approved upon motion made by Beck and seconded by Broeker.

Abatement of Taxes for Des Moines County Agricultural Extension was presented. The Ag Extension is exempt from taxes. Broeker motioned to approve and seconded by Beck.

Cary read the NAACP proclamation into the record. Broeker motioned to approve and seconded by Beck.

**PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, For over a century, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) has been built on the individual and collective courage of thousands of people. People of all races, nationalities and religious denominations, who were united on one premise... that "all men and women are created equal" and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, the NAACP was poised for a long and rewarding history. Although it is possible to chronicle the challenging legacy of the NAACP, the real story of the nation's most significant civil rights organization lies in the hearts and minds of the people who would not be silent while the rights of some of America's citizens were denied, and

WHEREAS, The NAACP sponsors a variety of programs to make real the promise of America. Their programs are designed to ensure civil rights compliance, equitable treatment of all Americans under law, access to health care, the attainment of educational excellence and economic empowerment, and

WHEREAS, Des Moines County has been blessed to have a branch of the NAACP in our community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Des Moines County Board of Supervisors salutes the NAACP and its local branch for their work and encourages all citizens to join our fight to ensure that, "all men and women are created equal."

FURTHER, Des Moines County citizens are encouraged to attend the local NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet at 6:00 P.M. on October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at Big Muddy's. This year's theme is **"Get Included, Make a Difference"**.

Adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2018

Jim Cary, Chairman

Thomas L. Broeker, Vice Chair

Robert W. Beck, Member  
ATTEST: Terri Johnson, Auditor

Appointments to the Compensation Board were presented. Charles L. Walsh requested to serve another four-year term as the Sheriff's Representative and Sarah A. Schwartz requested to serve another four-year term as the Auditor's Representative. Broeker motioned to approve both appointments and seconded by Beck.

Set Public Hearing Date for Vacation of a Portion of 187<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the Unincorporated Town of Pleasant Grove. The public hearing is set for October 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 AM. Engineer Carter stated the vacation was requested by one landowner although there are three adjoining owners to the road. He stated if you looked at the parcel, it is not evident it is a road, it looks like a yard. Broeker motioned to approve the hearing date and seconded by Beck.

Reports received and filed in the Auditor's Office:  
Sheriff's Monthly Report, August 2018  
Jail Stats, July 2018  
Auditor's Report of Fees Collected, Qtr. ending 9/30/2018

Beck motioned to approve minutes for the Board meeting held on September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Seconded by Broeker.

Committee reports: Beck attended a Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:03 AM.

Two work sessions were held following the meeting.

The first work session was the Board of Supervisors and County Engineer Brian Carter. Carter updated and discussed a possible budget amendment. He may need a budget amendment because the concrete jacking project to raise several bridge approaches had an estimated cost of \$85,000 and was paid in July 2018. Carter discussed another project regarding massive piles of concrete behind the roads shops. Previous quotes for crushing the concrete ranged from \$8 to \$11 a ton. A local contractor may buy a crushing plant and quoted under \$6 ton for crushing. The crushed concrete can be used for shoulders and pinching projects but will not replace road rock. Carter talked about equipment and stated the Roads ½ ton fleet is depleting quickly and discussed replacing a ½-ton pickup.

The second work session. The Board of Supervisors and County Engineer went on a project tour.

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](http://www.dmcountry.com)

Approved October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Jim Cary, Chairman  
Attest: Terri Johnson, Auditor