

Board Minutes Wednesday August 26, 2015

The Board of Supervisors met at 1:30pm on August 26, 2015 with all members present.

The Board met with Chopper Albert and Jon Lubke, county IT/GIS department staff. Also present were administrators from the city of Decorah including Chad Bird, Wanda Hemesath, Kevin Nelson, and Lorraine Borowski.

The Board discussed additional staffing needs in the IT department and possible re-organization of the IT staff into a separate department from the GIS department. Comments were also received from the Decorah administrators present. Also discussed was the need for long term planning for the IT and GIS departments into the future. The 28E agreement between the County and Decorah also needs to be updated.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Kuhn to add an additional IT staff in the position of Help Desk Specialist as referenced in the draft job description, with the option to add this position to the 28E sharing agreement with Decorah if they choose. Motion carried unanimously. The job description for this position will be submitted to the compensation committee for scoring to determine starting salary.

Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Beard to split the IT and GIS function into separate departments. The county will establish an IT department and budget during the next budget cycle to take effect July 1, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Officials from the County and Decorah will work to develop a new job description for the IT Director position, work on the amendments needed to the 28E agreement, and meet to continue planning for the future.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Ashbacher to approve the minutes for the Monday August 24, 2015 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Ashbacher to adjourn to 9:30am Monday August 31, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST _____

Benjamin D Steines
County Auditor

John Logsdon, Chairman
Board of Supervisors