

Board Minutes Monday August 3, 2015

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:30am on August 3, 2015 with all members present.

Lee Bjerke, county Engineer, met with the Board to discuss road matters and the possibility of a contracted speed study on Canoe Valley Road and other roads in the area.

Kristen Heffern, county Designated Physician, met with the Board and Bjerke to discuss the change in policy for requiring CDL drivers to hold a DOT Medical Card.

Monica Zweibohmer, Bob Reilly, and other residents along 185th Avenue, met with the Board to present a petition requesting repaving of the portion of 185th Avenue that was paved in 2000. The Board will consider their request when next reviewing the five year road plan.

Faith Hlubek, county VA Administrator, met with the Board to discuss the annual VA grant from the state, changes to the VA Commissioners policy, and the process for filling the vacancy on the commission.

Krista Vanden Brink, county Public Health Director, stopped in to discuss with the Board the need for an "on call" policy in regards to building issues. The Smith Building lost power on the evening of Friday July 31st, but neither of the buildings employees were available to help accommodate the electricians. Vanden Brink asked if it would be possible for them to work out a policy to designate availability for these emergency situations.

Dean Thompson discussed the architectural drawings for the Courthouse. He had helped organize them for reference by the architect that presented an analysis to the Board in June. In the process he discovered architectural blueprints for the Courthouse in Pipestone County, Minnesota; and wondered whether they should be sent to that county. Moved by Beard and seconded by Kuhn to forward the Pipestone plans to Pipestone County. Motion carried unanimously. Thompson will also look into options for preservation and digital scanning of the Winneshiek County building plans that are in custody of the county Auditor. Some of them are too fragile for normal reference.

Bjerke returned to continue to discuss road matters.

Moved by Ashbacher and seconded by Kuhn to approve the consent agenda which includes the minutes of the last meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the raises for part-time employees. The compensation study did not include a study of the part-time employees' job descriptions. Two of the employees in the Recycling Department have job descriptions that are the same as the full-time employees. Moved by Thompson and seconded by Beard to approve raises for the part-time Recycling Department positions with equivalent full-time job descriptions, to the pay grade the equivalent full-time positions scored as part of the compensation study. Additionally these part-time positions will receive the annual cost of living increase that is applied to the salary matrix but will not receive step increases due to years of service. This increase will be applied retroactive to July 1, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Ashbacher to adjourn to 9:30am Monday August 10, 2015.
Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST _____

Benjamin D Steines
County Auditor

John Logsdon, Chairman
Board of Supervisors