

Board Minutes Monday May 18, 2015

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:30am on May 18, 2015 with all members present.

Jim Olson and Mike Schrandt, Burr Oak Sewer Commission, met with the Board to update them on new regulations the DNR will be imposing starting in 2018. These regulations impose requirements that will require the Burr Oak Sewer system to be upgraded.

Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Ashbacher to reappoint Alice Abbott and Brenda Johnson to the VA Commission for additional three year terms. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ashbacher and seconded by Beard to adopt resolution 15-42 approving the 28E agreement for the ISAC administered Electronic Transaction Clearinghouse. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Ashbacher to approve the Regional Collection Center Grant Agreement number 15-G340-01 with the DNR and authorize Auditor Benjamin Steines to sign the documents on the County's behalf. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Ashbacher to send the letter as drafted by Thompson to the MetroNet in regards to future interests of the County as an anchor member. Motion carried unanimously.

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

George Tekippe and Jeremy Bril, Fehr Graham Engineering, met with the Board to discuss the Frankville Water District. Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Beard to set June 17th at 7:00pm as the bid opening date in Frankville and set June 22nd at 11:00am during the Board's regular meeting as the time for bid review, public hearing, and tentative bid award on the project. Motion carried unanimously.

Tony Phillips, county Planning and Zoning Administrator, met with the Board to present a request for a lot division in Howdy Hills First Addition. The Planning and Zoning Administration unanimously recommended approval. Moved by Thompson and seconded by Ashbacher to adopt resolution 15-41 approving the division of the property as requested. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Lee Bjerke, county Engineer, met with the Board to discuss road matters.

Moved by Ashbacher and seconded by Thompson to enter into contract with K Construction for project BROS-CO96(126)-8J-96, bridge 409. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Ashbacher to enter into contract with Brennan Construction for project BLUF 107-6, bridge 356. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Thompson to enter into contract with Brennan Construction for project HESP 115-6, bridge 385A. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Huinker, Midwest Group Benefits, met with the Board to review some additional insurance options. Moved by Thompson and seconded by Beard to approve the option of a voluntary opt out policy for employees that wish to do so. The County would not compensate the employee for opting out and the employee would have to give assurance that they were covered by another insurance plan. Motion carried unanimously.

Edna Schrandt, County Fair Board, met with the Board to give an update on the Leon Brown Post project. She reviewed donations both in kind and monetary which have been pledged for the project as well as cost estimates. She requested the Board consider an allocation of \$800 towards the project to cover the remaining expenses. Moved by Thompson and seconded by Beard to allocate \$800 to the Winneshiek County Historic Preservation Commission earmarked for reallocation to this project. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Beard and seconded by Ashbacher to approve the revised financial obligations agreement with Frankville Water District. The Iowa DNR had requested some changes to the agreement that was approved on May 4, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Beard to appoint Ashbacher, Thompson, Sheriff Marx, County Attorney Van Der Maaten, Maintenance Superintendent Halverson, and Deputy Auditor Clarke as the Security Committee. They will be tasked to assess the security needs of the Courthouse and other county buildings.

Moved by Kuhn and seconded by Beard to authorize Logsdon and Thompson to negotiate insurance options for the collective bargaining units if they don't accept the plan as adopted on May 4, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Barb Schroeder, county Conservation Director, met with the Board and then led them on a tour of the Neste Farm property. The property was purchased by the Natural Heritage Foundation, which intends to sell it to the County once the Conservation department has raised the necessary funds. Schroeder asked the Board to consider an additional allocation to the Conservation department to assist in the purchase.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Ashbacher to adjourn to 9:30am Tuesday May 26, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

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Benjamin D Steines
County Auditor

John Logsdon, Chairman
Board of Supervisors