

Board Minutes Monday March 14, 2011

The Board of Supervisors met as per adjournment with all members present.

Dan Kuboushek , Citizens Savings Bank Spillville, and Tony Phillips, Calmar Township clerk; met with the Board to get the loan documents signed for the fire truck loan that the Board approved at the March 7, 2011 meeting.

Moved by Bouska and seconded by Ibanez to approve the minutes for the Monday March 7, 2011 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bouska and seconded by Ibanez to approve the Certified Local Government Report provided by the Winneshiek County Historic Preservation Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Julie Fischer, Janelle Pavlovec, and Deb Bishop, all from the Caretaker's House Coalition; met with the Board. They asked the Board to release OHFA from their contract and enter into an agreement with their coalition which would provide more time to explore opportunities before the house is demolished.

Jon Lubke, county GIS/IT, met with the Board to give an update on the MetroNet fiber optics project.

Andy Van Der Maaten, county Attorney, met with the Board to discuss county matters.

Jim Juve met with the Board to call to their attention deteriorating road conditions on Locust Road north of Decorah.

Moved by Bouska and seconded by Pierce to approve the claims filed with the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Logsdon and seconded by Bouska to open the public hearing on the FY12 proposed budget. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Askelson gave an overview of the proposed budget. There were approximately 30 people in attendance. Several topics were discussed including: MH/DD levy rate, requests by non-profits and other agencies, salaries and collective bargaining agreements, the EWP money, LOSST revenue, and other issues. The Board thanked the department heads for submitting budgets that were not fiscally burdensome. Auditor Ben Steines and his staff were complimented for

their performance in preparation of the budget. Moved by Logsdon and seconded by Bouska to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Moved by Bouska and seconded by Logsdon to reduce the compensation commission's recommendations from 2% to 1.75%. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pierce and seconded by Bouska to approve the FY12 insurance rates as recommended by the insurance committee (no changes to rates but an increase in the deductible.) Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ibanez and seconded by Pierce to adopt the FY12 budget as published. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Moved by Bouska and seconded by Logsdon to adjourn to 9:30am Monday March 21, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

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Benjamin D Steines
County Auditor

Les Askelson, Chairman
Board of Supervisors