

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUPERVISORS MINUTES  
December 31, 2009

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors met in quorum, Thursday, December 31, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. at the courthouse for their regular meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bryant Amos. There was a roll call of members with Supervisors Amos, Glen Benskin, Steve Ratcliff, Donna Robinson, and Karen Blue present.

Motion to approve the agenda by Benskin, second by Ratcliff. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Ratcliff, Robinson, Benskin, Blue. No: None. Motion carried.

Minutes of the December 23, 2009 regular meeting were read and stand as read.

The Chairman called for public comments. There were no audience comments.

There were no Supervisor updates.

Engineer Brad Skinner updated the Board on storm clean-up. He said they were beginning to move back to regular work days. He said they had been working eleven days straight, twelve to fourteen hours a day. He said the snow removal budget is nearly half used.

Motion by Blue, second by Robinson to approve Resolution 09-21, Additional Charge for Diligent Searches, read as follows:

**WHEREAS, it would be in the best public interest for the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office to charge an additional fee for diligent search while attempting to serve civil papers in the amount of \$15.00. (This amount will reimburse the county for time and expense involved while attempts are made to serve civil papers.)**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors, that this date met in lawful session, that the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office is hereby authorized to charge an additional fee of \$15.00 for diligent search while attempting service on papers.**

**Dated at Montgomery County Courthouse, Red Oak, Iowa in Montgomery County, Iowa this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2009.**

Roll call: Yes: Robinson, Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson, second by Benskin to set the Organizational Meeting date and time for 9:00 a.m. on January 4<sup>th</sup>. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Benskin, second by Ratcliff to approve the longevity increase for Rick Myers, Secondary Roads, from \$16.91 to \$16.95 per hour. Roll call: Yes: Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos. No: None. Motion carried.

Items affecting the upcoming Fiscal Year 2011 budget year were discussed. Auditor Joni Ernst reviewed the 2009 property valuations. She stated that the overall county taxable valuation had increased \$25 million. The additional value would bring in \$87,000 additional for the General Basic Fund.

The elected officials salary increase was discussed. Amos suggested the department heads figure their budgets at the 3% that was recommended by the compensation board. Robinson said she was hesitant at 3%, and they should look at the county as a whole and see what others were getting. Ratcliff asked what local businesses were doing. After much discussion, the consensus of the Board was for the department heads to figure their salary increases at 2.25%, as this was what the Secondary Roads Union was giving this next fiscal year.

Motion by Blue, second by Robinson to set the mileage rate at \$.40 per mile for the Fiscal Year 2011. Roll call: Yes: Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin, Blue. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Blue to set the county contribution for all employee dental plans at 100%, second by Robinson. Roll call: Yes: Robinson, Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Blue, second by Ratcliff to approve the county contribution to employee health plans as follows: 100% for Single PPO Policy; 87% for Family PPO Policy; 100% for Single HSA, and \$72 monthly contribution; 87% for Family HSA, and \$72 monthly contribution. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Benskin to approve the payroll payable Thursday, December 31<sup>st</sup> in the gross amount of \$122,669.02, net amount of \$90,413.79. Roll call: Yes: Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos. No: None. Motion carried.

Agenda items were discussed for next week including budget discussion.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Robinson to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

BRYANT AMOS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: JONI K. ERNST, AUDITOR