

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUPERVISORS MINUTES

April 2, 2009

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors met in quorum, Thursday, April 2, 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, Karen Blue, Steve Ratcliff, and Donna Robinson present.

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

Minutes of the March 26, 2009 regular meeting were approved as read.

The Chairman called for public comments. No public comments.

In the Supervisor Committee Update, Ratcliff stated he attended a Nishna Productions meeting. Amos attended a RAGBRAI meeting. Robinson said she had attended a SWIPCO meeting and a regional jail meeting in Clarinda sponsored by Clarinda Economic Development.

For the Secondary Roads update, Engineer Brad Skinner presented the proposed dust abatement program. Motion by Blue, second by Robinson to approve the Montgomery county dust abatement program for 2009 as presented. Roll call: Yes: Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos. No: None. Motion carried.

Skinner also discussed the quotes that had been received for the FEMA Repair sites, rock haul proposal, and the Hawthorne lights. Robinson added that Roadside Manager Damien Bond and his crew had assisted with the storm clean-up of damaged trees in the Arlington Cemetery area, and that the township trustees and area residents were very thankful for the help.

Discussion of the draft letter to Chief Jail Inspector Delbert Longley providing an overview of corrective actions taken at the jail and setting a timeline for additional actions to be taken. Auditor Ernst said Longley had received the e-mailed letter and it met his approval, so the signed original will be sent.

Ernst gave a brief update of the new Avaya phone system and said that everything should be installed and working by tomorrow morning.

The Board spent some time reviewing duties for the jail committee. Consensus that Supervisor Donna Robinson should serve as chair, and Sheriff Joe Sampson as vice-chair. All agreed that every option should be researched from refurbishment of the existing jail to a new facility. Sampson mentioned that the first meeting will be held Monday at 6:30 P.M. at the Sheriff's office. The committee will receive a tour of the jail and view the CD "Myths of a Jail."

Motion by Blue, second by Benskin to approve the part-time new hire Lacey Finchem for Joint Communications at \$10.50 per hour. Roll call: Yes: Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin, Blue. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson, second by Ratcliff to approve Cubby's beer and alcohol license as presented to the local authority. Roll call: Yes: Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin. No: None. Motion carried.

Agenda items discussed for next meeting include jail progress and committee update, dust control vendor selection, and Villisca Golf Club alcohol and beer permit.

Motion by Benskin, second by Ratcliff to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:32 A.M.

BRYANT AMOS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: JONI K. ERNST, AUDITOR