

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUPERVISORS MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
August 3, 2009

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors met in quorum, Monday, August 3, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. at the courthouse for a special meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bryant Amos. There was a roll call of members with Supervisors Amos, Karen Blue, Glen Benskin, Steve Ratcliff, and Donna Robinson present.

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

Minutes of the July 30, 2009 regular meeting were read with changes as follows: fifth paragraph, eleventh line should state "3 million dollars" not "2 million dollars."; sixth paragraph, fourth line should state "second by Blue to approve" not "second by to approve." Motion by Ratcliff, second by Robinson to approve the minutes with noted changes. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

The Chairman called for public comments. Clint Rubey asked that the Board support the application for the IJobs Local Infrastructure Grant.

Auditor Joni Ernst explained the IJobs grant application for funding a new jail or law enforcement facility if recommended by the jail committee and Board of Supervisors and approved by the voters. Robinson emphasized that a decision to build a new jail has not been made, but the grant funding is an opportunity that is owed to the taxpayers of the county if a new jail is the county's best option.

Motion to approve Resolution 09-15, Authorizing the Submittal of the IJobs Grant Application by the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors by Blue, second by Robinson, and read as follows:

WHEREAS, Montgomery County has been operating its current jail facility for 113 years; and

WHEREAS, the current jail facility no longer meets current State of Iowa guidelines which protect the inmates and the county jail employees; and

WHEREAS, grant funding is available for county infrastructure replacement projects through IJobs; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors wish to participate in the IJobs infrastructure grant program to lessen the burden of Montgomery County Jail replacement funding on the taxpayers of Montgomery County.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors that they authorize the submittal of the IJobs grant application for infrastructure replacement of the Montgomery County Jail.

Approved in special session this 3rd day of August, 2009.

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

Agenda items discussed for the next regular board meeting are rail spur repair costs and MCDC funding, and naming of a county alternate for MCDC.

Motion by Benskin, second by Ratcliff to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

BRYANT AMOS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: JONI K. ERNST, AUDITOR