

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUPERVISORS MINUTES  
January 28, 2010

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors met in quorum, Thursday, January 28, 2010, 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, Donna Robinson, Steve Ratcliff, Glen Benskin, 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 January 27, 2010 budget worksession were read and stand as read.

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

Executive Director Darrel Steven Carlyle and Treasurer Randy Orme of the Red Oak Chamber and Industry Association, George Maher of Montgomery County Development Corporation and Red Oak City Administrator Brad Wright were present to visit with the Board regarding economic development contributions. Carlyle reviewed the railroad spur repair and noted that the Board of Supervisors had verbally agreed to pay \$11,000 per year for five years to the repair of the spur. Carlyle requested that the Board consider contributing \$15,000 for economic development in addition to the \$11,000 to be contributed to the spur in Fiscal Year 2011. Discussion followed, with the Board agreeing to consider the request depending on the budget numbers.

In the Supervisors' Committee Update, Blue reported that she had attended the Hospital board meeting. Ratcliff noted that he had attended a Zion Recovery Board meeting and Robinson had attended a DHS Advisory meeting.

Veteran Affairs Director Jerry Hansen asked that the Board sign a statement of support for its National Guard and Reserve soldiers. Motion by Robinson, second by Blue to approve the Employer's Statement of Support for the Guard and Reserve. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Engineer Brad Skinner met with Board and gave them a brief update. He stated he would be gone next week, but would have EWP contracts for discussion and signature.

Robinson gave an update on the Jail Committee progress. She stated the committee had reviewed the four potential options and said they would be meeting again in two weeks to look at figures for each of the options.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Benskin to approve payroll payable on Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup> in the gross amount of \$118,091.86 and net amount of \$82,149.83. Roll call: Yes: Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos. No: None. Motion carried.

The Supervisors reviewed departmental budgets and asked that the Sheriff cut an additional \$35,000, Public Health an additional \$5,000, and Conservation to cut an additional \$20,000. The Board also asked that the department heads re-figure their salary increases at 1.5% for FY 2011. The Board decided to meet next Monday morning at 10:30 a.m. following the conference board meeting to further discuss the budget.

Agenda items were discussed for next week including EWP approvals, budgets, and the railroad spur development agreement.

Motion by Benskin, second by Ratcliff to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

BRYANT AMOS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: JONI K. ERNST, AUDITOR