

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUPERVISORS MINUTES
October 7, 2010

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors met in quorum, Thursday, October 7, 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, Glen Benskin, Donna Robinson, and Steve Ratcliff present. Supervisor Karen Blue was absent.

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

Minutes of the September 30, 2010 regular meeting were read and stand as read.

The Chairman called for public comments. No public comment.

The Supervisors presented their weekly updates and assignments. Amos stated that Blue was attending the Iowa Hospital Association meeting in Des Moines. Benskin updated the Board on his Mental Health meeting. Ratcliff reported that he had attended the Four County meeting in Malvern. Robinson said she and Blue had attended the SWIPCO annual meeting, and she reminded everyone that the Landfill Commission was sponsoring a hazardous household waste cleanup day at the fairgrounds on October 16th. She also said she, Blue, Ratcliff, and Auditor Joni Ernst had attended the Four County meeting.

CPC Sara Ketcham presented a contract with Mary Beth Hutchinson of Villisca to provide mental health services to Montgomery County clients. Motion by Benskin, second by Robinson to approve the contract with Mary Beth Hutchinson. Roll call: Yes: Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin. No: None. Motion carried.

In the Secondary Roads weekly update, Engineer Brad Skinner stated there will be a FEMA field investigator meeting today. He stated that the concrete patching and crack sealing is ongoing in the county. He also stated that there had been two requests for rock and payment made to the county, one on the Montgomery-Page Road. He updated the Board on the dust control agreements.

Ernst asked Skinner to explain the payment for rock for the Montgomery-Page Road, as only \$2,000 had been received, and if this included any of the roadwork that had been done this past summer to upgrade the road. He stated the way the policies are written, ½ of the rock payment goes to Montgomery and ½ to Page County. He stated that there will need to be some more grading done before the rock is put down, and that was included in the payment amount, but none of the work done this summer was included in the cost.

A lengthy discussion followed with questions raised about the significant re-grading that had been done to the road, knowing that at some point development would occur on that road. Robinson read back the May 13, 2010 Board minutes regarding the Montgomery/Page County Road that stated “Skinner indicated that the only expense to the project will be pipe-line replacements for the driveways. Driveways will be done as soon as possible as that will finish up the project. Skinner also assured the Board and audience that if there is any new development, those property owners will have to pay the expense of grading and gravel of the road for development purposes.” Ernst provided the Board with a copy of the resolution setting standards for road upgrading prepared by Engineer Gary Bishop and passed by the Board in 2006, which includes costs to be paid

by the landowner when road upgrading from a dirt road to an aggregate surface is done. Amos asked Skinner to put together an estimate of cost from the beginning of the project for the roadwork that had been done for the 1,450 feet of roadway to the Wright property and bring it back to next week's meeting.

Under the Law Enforcement Center update, Ernst advised the Board that the architect's fees and reimbursable expenses would be due in the current fiscal year. The Board discussed the various bonding options and asked that it be put on the agenda for a decision next week.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Robinson to receive the Sheriff's report of fees for September in the amount of \$4,646.00. Roll call: Yes: Benskin, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Benskin, second by Ratcliff to receive the Auditor's Quarterly report of fees ending September 30, 2010, in the amount of \$100.49. Roll call: Yes: Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson, second by Ratcliff to receive the Recorder's report of fees in the amount of \$15,096.69. Roll call: Yes: Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Benskin, second by Robinson to receive the Treasurer's ending fund balance for September in the amount of \$8,458,530.48. Roll call: Yes: Robinson, Amos, Benskin, Ratcliff. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Benskin to approve the tax transfer from Rural Services Basic to Secondary Roads Fund in the amount of \$224,787.20. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Benskin, second by Robinson to approve the Local Option Sales and Services Tax transfer to: Secondary Roads, \$22,191.30; Public Safety, \$2,773.91; Courthouse Repairs, \$1,386.96; and County Fair, \$1,386.96. Roll call: Yes: Benskin, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Benskin to approve the longevity increases for Deputies Chris Stephens, \$22.50 to \$22.52 per hour, and Zack Anderson, \$20.57 to \$20.59 per hour. Roll call: Yes: Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson to approve the Joint Communications agreement with the City of Coburg, second by Benskin. Roll call: Yes: Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Benskin to approve claims payable October 8, 2010 in the total of \$105,398.68 which includes handwritten in the amount of \$1,644.86. Roll call: Yes: Robinson, Amos, Benskin, Ratcliff. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson, second by Ratcliff to approve payroll payable October 8, 2010 in the gross amount of \$115,180.18, net \$79,779.69. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Agenda items for the next meeting include bonding decision, Montgomery/Page County Road cost estimate, Stanton Friends project update, set bid-letting date for removal of buildings on law enforcement center lots.

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

BRYANT AMOS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: JONI K. ERNST, AUDITOR