

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUPERVISORS MINUTES
December 9, 2010

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors met in quorum, Thursday, December 9, 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, Karen Blue, Donna Robinson, and Steve Ratcliff present.

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 November 24, 2010 regular meeting stand as read.

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

During Supervisor weekly updates and assignments, Benskin reported he attended a Mental Health Board meeting in Clarinda, and they are financially more sound this year than the past year. Robinson will be attending a SWIPCO meeting this afternoon. Blue attended the Juvenile Detention, Fourth Judicial, and Red Oak Chamber and Industry Association meetings. Amos attended the MCDC annual meeting.

Public Health Director Sue Drake met with the Board to present an update for her department. She advised the Board that public health was decertified and that they are now just doing state-mandated public health activities. She informed the Board that public health has been busy with child immunizations, preparation for adult flu clinics, and school immunization audits. The Board thanked her for her hard work.

Mickey Anderson and Chuck Truka of Stanton Friends met with the Board to ask for consideration of a donation in support of the Vision Iowa Grant for the Viking Center. Anderson emphasized that the facility will include a tornado shelter for Stanton residents, the public library, a small wellness center, and a preschool. He reviewed the various grants that had been applied for in the past year. Anderson and Truka stated that the new library would be double the size of the current library. There was a lengthy Board discussion regarding public funds being used for a facility such as this. Ernst reminded the Board that they had given \$3,000 for the Vision Iowa Grant for the Red Oak Public Library project. Blue stated that money was not necessary to receive the Vision Iowa Grant, and Anderson stated he had been advised it was. Ernst stated that when Kathi Wagner had met with the Board regarding the Red Oak Library, the Board had been told a monetary donation was necessary to apply for the Vision Iowa Grant, and the minutes of that meeting stated that if other communities wished to apply for money supporting the grant, they could apply to the Board, also. Chairman Amos stated that it all came down to the funds, and that the Stanton School was not contributing anything to this project, but will receive the most benefit. Additional discussion followed regarding pass through funds from private donors that could be used to support the Vision Iowa Grant, as had been done for the Performing Arts Center.

Motion by Ratcliff to approve a one-time \$1,500 contribution to the new Stanton Library, with the condition that the Vision Iowa Grant is approved, for the Fiscal Year 2012 budget, second by Benskin. Roll call: Yes: Benskin, Ratcliff. No: Amos, Blue, Robinson.

Motion by Blue, second by Robinson to write a letter of support for the Viking Center for the Vision Iowa Grant. Roll call: Yes: Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos. No: None. Motion carried.

Anderson thanked the Board for their time and stated that Stanton has traditionally stood on their own, and they would find a way to proceed without the support of the county.

Engineer Skinner was unavailable to present the Secondary Roads update. Motion by Blue, second by Ratcliff to approve the FEMA project 1930-(2)-10-1 to Culver Construction in the amount of \$8,960.00 for three flood damaged sites in Sections 9, 22, and 33 of Sherman Township. Roll call: Yes: Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin. No: None. Motion carried.

Allan Olson of Great Western Bank met with the Board regarding the encroachment on the right-of-way of an existing building that the bank now owns at 1552 V Avenue, Villisca. He asked the Board for remedies to the situation, as they have a person interested in purchasing the property. The Board directed the auditor to send the information to the county attorney, and have him discuss the situation with the county engineer for a resolution.

In the Law Enforcement Center update, the Board noted that the buildings on the site were coming down, and the lot should be cleared very soon.

Motion by Robinson, second by Ratcliff to approve Bryant Amos and Karen Blue as signature authorities for the FSA in regards to the county farm. Roll call: Yes: Robinson, Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson, second by Benskin to approve the annual ICAP renewal of \$74,362.00 with a credit voucher of \$961.78. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson, second by Ratcliff to approve and disapprove the Family Farm Credit applications as presented. Roll call: Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos. No: None.

Motion to approve and disapprove the Agland Credit applications as presented. Roll call: Yes: Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Blue to approve the Sheriff's report of fees for November in the amount of \$6,287.96. Roll call: Yes: Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin, Blue. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson, second by Blue to approve the Recorder's report of fees for November in the amount of \$23,602.22. Roll call: Yes: Robinson, Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Benskin to receive the Treasurer's ending fund balance for November in the amount of \$4, 503,358.20. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Blue, second by Robinson to approve the Rural Services Basic tax transfer to Secondary Roads in the amount of \$12,113.55. Roll call: Yes: Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Benskin, second by Blue to approve the Local Option Sales and Services Tax transfer and reconciliation payments to: Secondary Roads, \$22,292.31 and \$20,971.97; Public Safety, \$2,773.92 and \$2,621.50; Courthouse Repairs, \$1,386.96 and \$1,310.75; County Fair, \$1,386.96 and \$1,310.75. Roll call: Yes: Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Blue, second by Ratcliff to approve claims payable December 10, 2010 in the amount of \$243,229.19 with a handwritten warrant in the amount of \$100.00. Roll call: Yes: Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin, Blue. No: None. Motion carried.

Agenda items for the next meeting were discussed including payroll, SWIPCO update, and funding request from the Red Oak Chamber and Industry Association.

Motion by Benskin, second by Ratcliff to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

BRYANT AMOS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: JONI K. ERNST
AUDITOR