

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUPERVISORS MINUTES  
June 17, 2010

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors met in quorum, Thursday, June 17, 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: Bryant Amos, Glen Benskin, Karen Blue, Steve Ratcliff, and Donna Robinson.

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 June 15, 2010, Canvass of the Primary Election were approved as read.

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

Matt Madsen from Department of Human Services briefed the Board on the reorganization of the service areas including reduction of staff and merging of areas that include combining offices into the Highland Annex Building. The increase in space and telephone services will be added to the reimbursement amount effective July 1.

Supervisor weekly updates and assignments: Ratcliff attended a Conservation Board meeting. Benskin will have a conference call with Boost4Families. Blue attended a Juvenile Detention meeting. She also updated the Board on the jail presentations that she attended. Discussed questions and feedback from the presentations. There is a meeting on June 21 in Creston, Iowa, regarding IJOBS grants. The law enforcement center will be in a flood plain zone, so there may be potential grant money available for the protection of communication equipment. Donna Robinson has agreed to attend this meeting.

Conservation Board member, Kirk Requist, updated the Board. Deb Karwal was appointed as an interim director. They will be advertising for the Conservation Director in late July and/or early August. Requist shared a draft of the job description. The description does not require a law enforcement certification. However, it would be beneficial to have this qualification. The Conservation Board will also hire a part time person to help with mowing and trimming. Requist informed the Board that the Hacklebarney restrooms should be finished within the next couple of weeks.

Secondary Roads Update. Motion by Blue, second by Ratcliff to approve the time extension for EWP agreement #9-30 as presented. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried. Brad Skinner presented an application for grant funding of replacement of curve traffic control signs. This grant will pay 100% costs of signs which estimates to be about \$5,500. Resolution #10-16: Grant Funding for Replacement Traffic Control Signs was moved for approval by Robinson, second by Benskin, and read as follows:

**RESOLUTION # 10-16**

Relating to funding application for roadway signage

WHEREAS, the County Engineer has recommended that an application for grant funding of replacement traffic control signs in Montgomery County be submitted to the Iowa DOT for consideration under their Transportation Safety Improvement Program, and

WHEREAS, said application form must be certified by the Board of Supervisors, binding the County to assume responsibility for erecting any and all signage provided under this grant within the time frame submitted,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors do hereby agree to those terms and authorize it's chairman to sign the application form for the potential funding of sign materials.

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

Skinner updated the board on the progress of the rock hall project, T-Ave bridge project, and the Coburg concrete overlay project to start July 17, 2010. FEMA has requested that the

County documents any damages from any flood waters. There have only been minor issues so far.

Under new business, Red Oak Fire Chief, Rick Askey, updated the Board on the Washington Annex building disposition. The structure of the building is unsafe and a plan needs to be in place to demolish the building. Consensus of the Board and Askey was to secure and block off the building until after the election on August 3, 2010. There are funds in the bond issue to demolish the building, however regardless of the outcome of the election, the building will be torn down. Ratcliff has volunteered his time to board up the building at the County's cost of boards and supplies. The alley will be blocked off as well. Askey will move forward to have asbestos tests completed.

Sara Ketcham of Mental Health discussed the conveyance billings from the Sheriff's Department. Joe Sampson discussed the possibility of Mental Health paying for the deputy's time to transport MH and SA commitments to the hospital. There are no funds available to reimburse the sheriff's department their expense for conveyance in their budget. The Board recommended that the policy stays as is and that the departments have actual figures during budget time if they want to pursue further discussion on billing agreements.

Motion by Robinson, second by Benskin to approve longevity increase for Mary R Perkins, Public Health, from \$24.81 to \$24.83 per hour until employment ending June 30, 2010. Roll Call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson, second by Benskin to approve longevity increase for Mark D Swanson, County Attorney's Office, from \$18.81 to \$18.83 per hour. Roll Call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson, second by Benskin to approve longevity increase for Stacey L Vondielingen, Assessor's Office, from \$22.49 to \$22.51 per hour. Roll Call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Board reviewed an invoice for Hoskins Siding and Windows for \$1,237.0. While performing specified warranty work to the roof of the Highland Annex Building, water leaked and damaged two computers. Ratcliff is going to discuss damages with them and proceed with paying the claim next pay period.

Supervisor Ratcliff left the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Resolution #10-13: Inter-department Change of Appropriations was moved for approval by Blue, second by Robinson, and read as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION # 10-13**

##### **Inter-department Change of Appropriations**

**The Montgomery Board of Supervisors**, sitting in session this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2010, does hereby approve the following changes of appropriations in Service Area 6 for the 2009/2010 fiscal year. This appropriation is from one department to another and does not increase taxes to be collected in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010.

**Conservation from \$281,687 to \$280,687 (Decrease \$1,000)**

**Sanitation from \$14,398 to \$15,398 (Increase \$1,000)**

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

Motion by Robinson to approve the alcohol permit for Red Oak Country Club with outdoor service and Sunday sales, second by Benskin. Roll Call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson to approve Avesis Advantage Vision Plan 2-Year Renewal which is paid 100% by the employees, second by Blue. Roll Call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Benskin to approve the following Fireworks Permits for Brian Bisbee, Eugene Gray, Pat Victor, Jason Schomburg, Joni Sallach, Kevin Clemens, Eileen Waltz and Keith

Peterson, second by Blue. Roll Call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Blue to abate the property tax penalties of \$49 for the property described as the NW SW SD E/2 LT 4 & SD LT 5 & SD LT 1 (EX E390'N100' & N100' W 208.1' & N30'W39.4') in 3-71-37, second by Benskin. Roll Call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Blue for the abatement of mobile homes that have junking certificates per Iowa Code 435.25, second by Benskin. Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson to approve payroll payable June 18, 2010 in the gross amount \$117,373.18, net \$81,788.54, second by Benskin. Roll Call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Agenda items discussed for next regular board meeting are: claims and safety coordinator position.

Next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 24, 2010 at 9 a.m. Motion by Robinson, second by Benskin to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
BRYANT AMOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: STEPHANIE BURKE,  
DEPUTY AUDITOR

ATTEST: JONI K ERNST  
AUDITOR