

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUPERVISORS MINUTES
July 29, 2010

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors met in quorum, Thursday, July 29, 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, Karen Blue, Steve Ratcliff, and Donna Robinson and Glen Benskin were present.

Motion to amend and approve the agenda by adding a item under old business; pertaining to the West Central Development Rental agreement of Highland Annex. Motion by Benskin, second by Ratcliff. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Benskin. No: None. Motion carried.

Minutes of the meeting of June 22, 2010 were read and stand as read.

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

During Supervisor updates, Ratcliff stated he had attended a ZION meeting in Clarinda, they reviewed financials and also attempting to get a grant for females clients. They also were inspected and received very high percentages. Blue reported that at the 4th Judicial meeting they went into two separate closed sessions, these resulted in a lock down of the facility, a subsequent search of the facility and inmates contraband items were discovered, and in addition some personnel changes would be forthcoming. Robinson stated she attended a SWIPCO meeting in Atlantic, she reported the transit system is now offering rides to Harlan for CDS employees, and was also recognized as one of the best transit operations in the state. She also reported that Nishna Productions Inc. will be sending their project out to bid in the near future and are also looking for other grant opportunities.

Engineer Skinner was not present but gave the board a memorandum of projects and other information. In synopsis the report stated that the Coburg road project was progressing very well.

Under old business: Motion by Robinson, second by Blue to approve and accept the agreement with West Central Community Action and Montgomery County for the use of Highland Annex. Roll call: Yes; Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

New business: Discussion of the preliminary plat of the Eshelman sub-division, Deb Karwal from the Conservation department was present and stated that she and her board had some concerns that Mr. Eshelman will not build the access road as required by the plat. He currently has an easement to gain entrance into his homestead, but once the new home is built will be required to have another access drive. Linda Southworth was present, and as a member of the zoning board stated that she believed that Mr. Eshelman understood his requirement to build a new access road, and that the board can not disapprove the preliminary plat based on a hunch that it meets the requirements of the County Ordinance. Motion by Benskin, second by Blue to approve the preliminary plat for the Eshelman subdivision located on 110th St, SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 6 Pilot Grove Township, and that it is in accordance with the County Zoning ordinance and pending the final plat being approved. Mr. Eshelman understands that he will be required to construct a new access road in accordance with the plat prior to occupancy or prior to selling or renting said parcels. Roll call: Yes: Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Benskin, second by Robinson to set canvass of the Special Election for Monday, August 9, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. Roll call: Yes: Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin. No: None; Motion carried.

Motion by Blue, second by Robinson to approve Resolution 10-18, A Resolution of Support for a Montgomery County Law Enforcement Center. Roll call: Yes: Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos, Benskin, Blue. No: None. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 10-18

**A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A MONTGOMERY COUNTY LAW
ENFORCEMENT CENTER.**

WHEREAS, following completion of a study, and by unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors to take a referendum to the voters of Montgomery County, and with the Committee for a Safer Montgomery County that was recently formed for the purpose of promoting and informing Montgomery county residents on the needs of the county; and

WHEREAS, the existing jail being over 110 years old and in very poor condition, and does not meet current Iowa code, and failure to pass the referendum will likely close the current facility; and

WHEREAS, in a savings to taxpayers over 20 years to pay back the general obligation bond, versus not building a facility and being forced to transport inmates to other locations; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County board of Supervisors fully endorses the Montgomery County Law Enforcement Center; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors do hereby agree to support of the Montgomery County Law Enforcement Center.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 29th day of July, 2010.

Motion by Blue, second by Benskin to approve payroll payable on July 30, 2010 in the gross amount of \$111,790.84 and net \$81,548.13. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Robinson to approve the longevity increase for Connie Bishop from \$10.49 to \$10.51 per hour and Deana Gilbert in the amount of \$10.88 to \$10.90 per hour. Roll call: Yes: Benskin, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Amos. No: None. Motion carried.

Agenda items discussed for next regular board meeting are Shell Gas card review and action as needed, County Farm lease.

Motion by Benskin, second by Ratcliff to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

BRYANT AMOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: TED A. SCHOONOVER
DEPUTY AUDITOR

ATTEST: JONI K. ERNST
AUDITOR