

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUPERVISORS MINUTES  
December 1, 2011

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors met in quorum, Thursday, December 1, 2011, 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, Karen Blue, Steve Ratcliff and Donna Robinson present. Supervisor Tye was absent.

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

Minutes of the November 30, 2011, meeting were approved as read.

Chairman Amos asked for public comments: Gary Stevens, a resident from Ft. Dodge, was present and showed the board a 1934 lithograph of the U.S. Constitution that he has been taking to all the courthouses in Iowa. He finds groups and individuals to purchase the print and frame and they in turn donate them to the county. He asked the board if they would be interested. The consensus of the board was to allow him to proceed and add it to next week's agenda for formal acceptance.

Supervisor weekly updates and assignments: Ratcliff attended the Zion recovery meeting. Supervisor Tye arrived. Blue attended the Juvenile Detention meeting and informed the board they are looking at changing the billing formula which could adversely affect our funding amount. In addition she attended the 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial district meeting. She also attended the Montgomery County Memorial Hospital board meeting and stated that during their meeting the safety coordinator disseminated safety packets that contained minutes of past meetings, issues, concerns and an incident summary report. She would like to see us move in that direction as well. Tye had no meetings but is showing Highland Annex to a possible tenant this morning.

Secondary Roads Update: Engineer Skinner was present and informed the board that he has secured the rip rap from Pottawattamie County and is working with some local haulers to get it here. He also stated the rip rap is complete on the West Township bridge. He also asked the board for the go ahead for the purchase of the GPS surveying equipment that was originally priced and budgeted for \$60,000. He can get them now for \$25,000, so he is inclined to purchase it now. He also brought the board up to speed on the Hawthorne bridge. He has talked to the railroad and they now concede that our numbers are accurate and are hoping for resolution on this very soon.

Law Enforcement Update. There is a construction meeting next week and we need to get clarification on the demolition of the current office and if it was already bid and let. The board discussed in general the public hearing that was conducted last evening and felt it went very well and that the consensus of the board was that we should not spend any additional county funds on that facility in reference to saving or keeping it. The board also felt it would be good to get the facility checked for asbestos and get an estimate on demolition costs

Under New Business: Motion by Ratcliff, second by Robinson to approve payroll, payable December 2, 2011 in the gross amount of \$116,195.55. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Tye. No: None. Motion carried.

Agenda items discussed for next regular board meeting were claims, master matrix resolution and formal approval for the donation of the 1934 lithograph print for the courthouse.

The board will be in session for their regular meeting on Thursday, December 8, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Tye to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
BRYANT AMOS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: TED SCHOONOVER  
AUDITOR