

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUPERVISORS MINUTES  
September 29, 2011

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors met in quorum, Thursday, September 29, 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, Randy Tye, Donna Robinson and Steve Ratcliff.

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

Minutes of the September 22, 2011 regular meeting were approved as read.

The Chairman called for public comments. Public Health Director Sue Drake was present and informed the board of the Governors healthiest state initiative on October 7, 2011. There will be three designated areas for residents to walk. More information can be obtained from her or the Auditor's office. She also informed the board of another state program that is available and that is the Blue Zones Community, where certain communities will be selected and offered incentives to live healthier lives.

Supervisor weekly updates and assignments: Supervisor Ratcliff attended the Zion meeting in Atlantic as well their recovery gathering in Red Oak last week with Supervisor Blue. It was a well attended event. Blue attended the above mentioned gathering as well as the Red Oak Chamber and Industry, Montgomery County Hospital and 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial meetings.

Secondary Roads Update: Engineer Skinner reported that the paving project is nearing completion and the striping should be completed next week. He mentioned he has heard several complaints of windrows being in the traveled portions of the gravel roads. He hopes that the crews can eliminate these over the course of a couple of weeks, but the lack of moisture has not helped. Skinner reported he finally received the report that the Railroad conducted on the Hawthorne bridge accident and it appears to be dated two weeks after the conversation that referenced to it. Robinson mentioned that it may be a good idea for all the board members to do a tour of our roads with the engineer or his staff to gain a knowledge of troubled areas and issues.

Law Enforcement Update. Next construction meeting will be October 4, 2011.

Under New Business:

Motion by Blue, second by Ratcliff to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2011-3 An Ordinance Exempting Certain Property From Taxation. Roll call: Yes; Amos, Tye, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Blue, second by Robinson to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of Ordinance 2011-3. Roll call: Yes; Amos, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Tye. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Blue, second by Tye to adopt Ordinance 2011-3. Roll call: Yes; Robinson, Amos, Blue, Tye, Ratcliff. No: None. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE 2011-3**

**AN ORDINANCE EXPEMTING CERTAIN PROPERTY FROM TAXATION**  
**WHEREAS,** Section 427.1 Subsection 27 of the Code of Iowa allows for property tax exemption of speculative shell buildings built by community development organizations; and  
**WHEREAS,** the exemption or partial exemption shall be allowed only pursuant to ordinance of the County Board of Supervisors; and  
**WHEREAS,** Acorn Development Two had constructed a speculative shell building at 1981 Fir Ave, and  
**WHEREAS,** The Acorn Development Two has requested that their building be exempt from taxation until such time as it is leased or sold;  
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY,** the County Board of Supervisors does hereby take this action by ordinance to exempt the property at

1981 Fir Ave from property taxation until such time as the property is leased or sold.

BY THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Bryant J. Amos  
Chairman Board of Supervisors  
Montgomery County, Iowa

ATTEST:

Ted A. Schoonover  
Montgomery County Auditor

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Robinson to the tax abatement of 1981 Fir Ave in accordance with Ordinance 2011-3. Roll call: Yes; Robinson, Blue, Tye, Amos, Ratcliff. No: None. Motion carried.

Agenda items discussed for next regular board meeting were Area Canvass on Oct 3, 2011, Snow removal discussions, county farm discussion, SIRHA annual report, payroll, The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 6, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. Motion by Ratcliff, second by Tye to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

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BRYANT AMOS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: TED SCHOONOVER  
AUDITOR