

July 29, 2014

The Winnebago County Board of Supervisors met in session at 9:00 A.M. July 29, 2014 adjourned from July 22, 2014.

Present: Supervisors Wubben, Stensrud and Durby

Absent:

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Stensrud the Supervisors moved to approve the minutes for the July 22, 2014 Board Meeting and to approve the agenda for July 29, 2014. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Gary Shropshire, Shropshire Lumber and Mark Newman, Attorney discussed an issue regarding a company in Boone, IA who had written a bad check to Shropshire Lumber. Shropshire and Newman are asking the Board to hire a special prosecutor to try the case as there may be a conflict of interest with Adam Sauer, County Attorney. The Board will speak with Sauer to discuss the issue further.

Gary Ludwig, RAGBRAI coordinator thanked the Board for the use of the Courthouse lawn for the bike riders. Despite a couple of small issues around town the event was a success. Ludwig also wanted to thank all the volunteers as it took a group effort to make it run smoothly.

Dave Peterson, Sheriff discussed the possibility of adding Buffalo Center to our Law Enforcement Contract. The Chief of Buffalo Center has resigned and the city is looking into their options. Peterson will speak to The Buffalo Center city council and will give the Board of Supervisors an update.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Wubben the Supervisors moved to approve a bill for DD 27-25. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Terry Durby discussed the possible purchase of land for the Public Safety Center. Durby wanted to ask the Board their opinion on purchasing the land before the next committee meeting. Supervisors Stensrud and Wubben agreed it would be a good idea. Durby will update the Public Safety Center committee at their next meeting.

Sue McColloch, Assessor discussed data charges for GIS information requested. McColloch had spoken with Adam Sauer, County Attorney and they agreed the current fees are adequate.

Sue McColloch, Assessor discussed during open forum a .72 acre tract of land which has never been transferred to the current owner. The Board will have Sauer check on the best way to handle the situation.

Scott Meinders, Engineer discussed secondary road issues including box culvert project updates and picking up the new truck. Meinders also discussed starting a box culvert project on Highway 69 just north of the Highway 9 turn. This project should hopefully start in September or October.

Scott Meinders, Engineer discussed salaried positions and working courthouse hours. Meinders would like to do some coaching and other things and is asking the Board to work different hours for this. The Board is concerned about the public perception this would create and how will the public know if Meinders is at the courthouse or not. The Board will discuss this further at the next Board meeting.

Willie Wubben discussed a tree in the right of way on 410th St in Buffalo Township. There was much discussion. On a motion by Wubben and seconded by Stensrud the Supervisors moved to remove the tree as it could pose a liability to the County. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Randy Groves, landowner discussed the size of pipe to be used for a project on DD 5 Lat 14. Groves believes the size is not large enough to handle the water capacity. After discussion the Board agreed the sizing should be changed.

At 10:00 there was to be a bid letting for DD 5 Lat 14. On a motion by Stensrud and seconded by Durby the Supervisors moved to reject all unopened bids and will have another bid letting on August 12, 2014 at 10:00 A.M. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Auditor's office received the following Manure Management Plan from: High Brook Farms, LLC #2 located in the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 29, Newton Township, in Winnebago County, Iowa.

The session was adjourned until 9:00 A.M. August 5, 2014.

Warren Wubben, Chairperson

Attest: _____
Kris Wempen, Finance Deputy