

REGULAR SESSION

MARCH 15, 2010

The Union County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Monday, March 15, 2010. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM with the following members present: Tom McCann, Ron Riley, Bob Jansen and Mike King. Bob Brown was absent.

AGENDA: Motion by Riley and seconded by Jansen to approve the Agenda. All voting aye, motion carried.

OPEN FORUM: Karon Finn had questions about the County Health Insurance, and Bill Smith had questions and concerns on the county roads and Leak Bridge.

BOARD DISCUSSION: Each Board member discussed the meetings that were attended last week.

ASSESSOR: Gene Haner, County Assessor discussed a sale of county owned property, that was deeded to the County in 1973 due to a commendation that was done to widen the road in Kent (lot is 75ft by 260 ft). A letter will be sent to the adjoining property owners if they are interested in buying the land, if not, the County will have an auction.

MINUTES: Motion by McCann and seconded by Jansen to approve the minutes from 3/8/2010. All voting aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: Public Hearing opened at 10:34 AM. Present: Tim Kenyon; Tyler Ellyson; Rudy Ehm, Michael Cooley; Karon Finn; Rick Piel; Steve Akes; Vicki and Tony Allen. No written or oral comments were received from the public by the Board of Supervisors or to the Auditor's office. Open for comments: Sheriff Rick Piel expressed his concerns about the funding for his office for fiscal year 2010-2011 not being enough as it is apparent from this fiscal year. Karon Finn had concerns about the spending on the litigation, feels that the departments are being punished, and that the health insurance isn't transparent enough for the public. King pointed out that if the Board budgeted everyone's request, the levy would have had to go up \$1.41. Public Hearing closed at 10:55 AM.

FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 COUNTY BUDGET: Motion by McCann and seconded by Jansen to approve the 2010/2011 Fiscal Year Budget. Roll Call Vote: McCann, aye; Riley, aye; Jansen, aye; King, aye; Brown absent. Motion carried.

ENGINEER: Steve Akes, County Engineer, presented and discussed the maintenance and activity report and discussed moving Larry Murdock from Inspector One to Inspector Two after passing all the certification requirements per union agreement. **Calhoun County's Litigation Expense:** Motion by Riley and seconded by Jansen not to help fund the Calhoun County's Litigation Expense, per the recommendation of the County Engineer. All voting aye, motion carried.

SIRWA: Dan McIntosh, SIRWA, discussed the system wide sewer project for the county, as of right now SIRWA will not be moving forward, but is hoping to revisit the subject next year.

ATTORNEY: Tim Kenyon, County Attorney, Gene Haner, County Assessor and Steve Akes, County Engineer discussed the Port Road, Ryan Drive, Gayle Drive, and Marks Way road project. Present for discussion were: Paul Goldsmith, Ron and Bonnie Johnson, Bob Mostek, and Dr Steve Stults. Stults informed the Board that the group's attorney will write up an agreement to present to the Board of Supervisors and County Attorney.

Recessed for Lunch at 12:05 PM.
Reconvened at 1:00 PM.

SHERIFF: Board discussed general issues and budget matters with the County Sheriff Rick Piel.

HANDWRITTEN CLAIMS: Motion by McCann and seconded by Riley to approve handwritten claim for Union County Health Insurance in the amount of \$39039.06 for the health care claims. All voting aye, motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: Motion by McCann and seconded by Riley to enter into closed session at 2:30 PM per Iowa Code 21.5 (1) (c) Matters in Litigation. Roll Call Vote: McCann, aye. Riley, aye. Jansen, aye. King, aye. Brown Absent. Motion carried. Closed Session ended at 4:10 PM.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 4:15PM.

ATTEST: _____
SANDY HYSELL, COUNTY AUDITOR

BY: _____
MICHAEL J KING CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS