

REGULAR SESSION

MARCH 21, 2011

The Union County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Monday, March 21, 2011. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM with the following members present: Robert Jansen, Dennis Brown, Bob Brown and Ron Riley. Lois Monday was absent.

AGENDA: Motion by Dennis Brown and seconded by Bob Brown to approve the Agenda. All voting aye, motion carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Dennis Brown and seconded by Bob Brown to approve the Minutes from the March 14, 2011 meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

OPEN FORUM: No one from the public spoke during open forum.

BOARD DISCUSSION: Jansen - Southwest Iowa Coalition Board Meeting: The 2011 Legislative Agenda of Priorities of the Southwest Iowa Coalition was discussed. Riley - EMA Board Meeting: Jo Duckworth discussed a hazmat meeting that she had attended, discussed working with the Union County Fair Board on an emergency plan, and Shannon City not having any emergency sirens. ATURA Board Meeting: Discussed the 2011 Roads Projects plans by the DOT and discussed the Federal Funding.

ENGINEER: Steve Akes, County Engineer, presented and discussed the maintenance activity report, Iowa DOT five year construction program and budget. Akes also presented a recommendation from Calhoun-Burns and Associates on closing a bridge on 190th St just west of High & Dry Road. With this information, the Board of Supervisors discussed the possibility of putting up weight limit signs on these critical bridges that need replacement and/or narrowing the passage to the width of a pick-up truck to keep the bridge open, but limit what goes across the bridge, until it can be replaced. No motion was made at this time. **Area Service System B Road Classification Resolution:** Motion by Jansen and seconded by Bob Brown to approve **Resolution #38 FY 2010-2011** to Establish Area Service System "B" Road Classification. WHEREAS, Union County desires to classify certain roads on the area service system in the County to provide for a reduced level of maintenance, and WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors, after consultation with the County Engineer, has the authority to specify certain roads within the County as Area Service System "B" roads pursuant to Iowa Code Section 309.57 and said Board shall, by resolution, establish the location of the roads classified as Area Service System "B", and WHEREAS, all jurisdiction and control over Area Service System "B" roads as provided by this resolution shall rest with the Board of Supervisors of Union County, and WHEREAS, certain terms or words used in this resolution shall be determined or defined as follows:

1. "Area Service System" includes those public roads outside of cities and towns not otherwise classified.
 - a. "Area Service System "A" roads shall be maintained in conformance with applicable state statutes.
 - b. "Area Service System "B" roads shall not require standards of maintenance equal to trunk, trunk collector, or Area Service System "A" roads, Area Service System "B" roads shall not mean what is construed in the normal sense as a driveway or a private lane to a farm building or dwelling.
2. "Board" shall mean the Board of Supervisors of Union County, Iowa.
3. "Engineer" shall mean the County Engineer of Union County, Iowa.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNION COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that only minimal effort, expense, and attention will be provided to Area Service System "B" roads. Bridges on Area Service System "B" roads may not be maintained to carry legal loads but will be posted as appropriate to advise of any load limitations. For the various maintenance activities, the level of maintenance on Area Service System "B" roads will be as follows:

1. Blading. Blading or dragging will not be performed on a regular basis.
2. Snow and Ice Removal. Snow and ice will not be removed on a regular basis. Snow and ice will only be removed by request after all other roads are open and widened back and only during normal working hours.
3. Signing. Except for load limit postings for structures, signing will not be provided. ALL AREA SERVICE SYSTEM "B" ROADS SHALL BE IDENTIFIED WITH A SIGN AT ALL POINTS OF ACCESS TO WARN THE PUBLIC OF LOWER LEVEL OF MAINTENANCE.
4. Weeds, Brush, and Trees. Mowing or spraying of weeds, cutting or spraying of brush and tree removal will not be performed on regular basis. Mowing and brush removal will only be performed as time is available as determined by the engineer.

5. Structures. Bridges and culverts may not be maintained to carry legal loads. Upon failure or loss, bridges and culverts may not be replaced, and if replaced, the replacement structure will be appropriate for the traffic thereon.
6. Road Surfacing. Application of surfacing materials on an Area Service System "B" road will be considered on an individual basis. Property owner(s) will provide fifty (50) percent of the cost.
7. Shoulders. Shoulders will not be maintained.
8. Crown. A crown will be maintained whenever possible.
9. Repairs. Repairs will not be performed on a regular basis.
10. Width. A uniform width of roadway will not be maintained and in some cases, the traveled way may be one lane wide.
11. Inspections. Inspections will not be performed on a regular basis.

As provided in Chapter 309.57 of the Code of Iowa, the county and officers, agents and employees of the county are not liable for injury to any person or for damage to any vehicle or equipment, which occurs as a result of the maintenance of a road which is classified as Area Service System "B", if the road has been maintained as provided in this resolution. All resolutions, previous resolutions, or parts of resolutions in conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby repealed. If any section, provision, or part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. The engineer shall maintain an accurate record of all segments of roads classified by the Board as Area Services System "B" and shall cause the necessary signs to be erected at every public road access on those roads so classified as Area Services System "B". This resolution shall be in effect upon passage of this resolution adopted this 21st day of March, 2011. Roll Call Vote – Bob Brown aye, Dennis Brown aye, Jansen aye, Riley aye, Monday absent. Motion Carried. **Bridge Replacement Project Plans:** Motion by Bob Brown and seconded by Dennis Brown to sign the plans for the bridge replacement project number LFM-611-7X-88 on Redwood Ave. Roll Call Vote – Bob Brown aye, Dennis Brown aye, Jansen aye, Riley aye, Monday absent. Motion Carried.

Motion by Dennis Brown and seconded by Jansen to sign the plans for the bridge replacement project on the Pole Rd South of 240th St. Roll Call Vote – Bob Brown aye, Jansen aye, Dennis Brown aye, Riley aye, Monday absent. Motion Carried.

RECORDER: Motion by Jansen and seconded by Dennis Brown to accept the Recorders January and February monthly reports, as presented by Union County Recorder, Paula White. All voting aye, motion carried

GENERAL ASSISTANCE: Motion by Bob Brown and seconded by Dennis Brown to accept the General Assistance Client Activity January and February Report and the billing for the Administrative Fee's for December, January and February as presented by Terri Siglin, Matura. All voting aye, motion carried..

TREASURER: Motion by Dennis Brown and seconded by Bob Brown to accept the February End of the Month Report as presented by Union County Treasurer, Kelly Busch. All voting aye, motion carried.

HANDWRITTEN CLAIMS: Motion by Jansen and seconded by Dennis Brown to approve the handwritten claims for the Union County Health Insurance in the amount of \$11,294.01. All voting aye, motion carried.

LETTER OF RESIGNATION: Motion by Bob Brown and seconded by Dennis Brown to accept with regret a letter of resignation from Dottie Dunphy from the Gibson Memorial Library Board of Trustees as the County's representative. All voting aye, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:12AM.

ATTEST: _____
SANDY HYSSELL, COUNTY AUDITOR

BY: _____
RONALD J. RILEY, CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS