

Keosauqua, Iowa
October 10, 2016-10:00AM

The Van Buren County Board of Supervisors met on this date at the courthouse with supervisors Meek, Nixon, and Waugh present. Minutes of the previous meeting were acknowledged. Jerry Boyer was also present to observe the meeting.

Kris Rankin, representing the VBC Safe Coalition was present to update the board on coalition programs. VBC Hospital Administrator Ray Brownsworth was also present.

Community Services Director Sue Frey was present to review an updated VBC Veterans Assistance Manual. Following discussion of the same, it was moved by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, that said updated manual be approved by the board. Ayes: 3

County Engineer Ryne Thornburg was present to update the board on various road projects and issues, including Heather Ave. and 118th Road bridge projects, Bentonsport to Bonaparte asphalt project, approval of new hires, additional staffing needs, status of Kilbourne bridge over the Des Moines River, and Hwy. 98 transfer of jurisdiction.

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, upon recommendation of the county engineer, the board approved the following secondary road hires: 1) Eric Kuster, Bonaparte-EO II, 2) Travis Eastin, Farmington, EO II, with both effective October 25, 2016 at a salary per union contract. Ayes: 3

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, the county engineer was authorized to advertise for one equipment operator position in the VBC Secondary Road department. Ayes: 3.

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, the county engineer was authorized to re-advertise for an assistant to the county engineer position. Ayes: 3

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, the board approved the retirement resignation, with regrets, of local health nurse Deb Kirchner, effective October 31, 2016. Ayes: 3

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, the chair was authorized to sign a grant application to the Van Buren Foundation, Inc. for assistance on the 1840 courthouse window repair/replacement project. Ayes: 3

It is hereby noted that the 1st reading of Van Buren County Ordinance No. 2016-2, an ordinance establishing a social host ordinance within Van Buren County, was read in its entirety by supervisor Meek, on this date. Hearing no comments from the public on the proposed ordinance, it was moved by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, that this 1st reading of VBC Ordinance No. 2016-2 be acknowledged and approved. Ayes: 3

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, the following payroll/claims/reports were approved: Claims-#4901-5020 (Secondary Road-#23970-24010), and Sheriff/Auditor-1st Qrt. 2017FY. Ayes: 3

Board members reported on various committee meetings held including R, C, & D, Sieda, Regional Planning Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50AM.

Mark G. Meek, Chair

Attest: _____
Jon P. Finney, County Auditor

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