

Keosauqua, Iowa
March 14, 2016-10:00AM

The Van Buren County Board of Supervisors met on this date at the 1st floor district courtroom with supervisors Meek, Nixon, and Waugh present. Minutes of the previous meeting were acknowledged. County attorney Abe Watkins was also present.

Andy Davis inquired about the need for rock on a portion of Osage Avenue and follow up on a brush clearing issue brought before the board in a previous meeting, and discussed county tax sale procedures.

The chair called a public hearing on the 2017FY county budget to order at 10:00AM at the 1st floor district courtroom in Keosauqua with the following present: Mark Meek, Ted Nixon, Robert Waugh, Jon P. Finney, Bob Steingreaber, Lisa Plecker, Andrew Mason, Ann Skaggs, Susan Frey, Andy Davis, Jeff Williams, Linda Whitten, Rusty Ebert, George Askew, and Abe Watkins.

Following an overview of the entire budget by the county auditor, the chair entertained questions from those present. Upon hearing or receiving no comments on the proposed budget, it was moved by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, that the public hearing portion of the meeting be closed.
Ayes: 3

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, the following Resolution 3-14-2016 was adopted: WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Compensation Board meets annually to recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Chapters 331.905 and 331.907, and

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Compensation Board met on December 1, 2015, and made the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016:

| <u>Elected Official</u> | <u>Current Salary</u> | <u>Proposed Increase</u> | <u>Recommended Salary</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Auditor | \$52,590 | 5% | \$55,220 |
| County Attorney | \$43,531 | \$8,000 | \$51,531 |
| Recorder | \$45,732 | 5% | \$48,019 |
| Sheriff | \$60,465 | 5% | \$63,488 |
| Supervisors | \$26,240 | 5% | \$27,552 |
| Additional for chair | \$ 889 | 5% | \$ 933 |
| Treasurer | \$45,071 | 5% | \$47,325 |

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Van Buren County Board of Supervisors approves the following salary adjustments for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016:

| <u>Elected Official</u> | <u>Approved Salary</u> | <u>Approved Increase</u> |
|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Auditor | \$54,037 | 2.75% |
| County Attorney | \$47,931 | 10.1% |
| Recorder | \$46,990 | 2.75% |

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| Sheriff | \$62,128 | 2.75% | |
| Supervisors | \$26,962 | 2.75% | |
| Additional for chair | \$ 913 | 2.75% | |
| Treasurer | \$46,311 | 2.75% | Ayes: 3 |

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, the 2017FY county budget as presented was approved and adopted with the following maximum expenditures set for the various service areas as follows: Public Safety & Legal Services-\$1,289,300, Phy. Health & Soc. Services-\$488,301, Mental Health-\$261,380, County Environment & Education-\$352,999, Roads-\$3,421,000, Gov't Services-\$280,057, Administration-\$666,734, Non program current\$5,600, Capital Projects-\$1,414,500 for a total of \$8,179,871, with \$703,554 in transfer of funds. Ayes: 3

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, the following maximum departmental appropriations was set as follows: Supervisors-\$129,873, Auditor-\$233,741, Treasurer-\$201,280, Attorney-\$210,372, Sheriff-\$1,029,728, Recorder-\$142,447, Engineer-\$4,741,000, Veteran Affairs-\$42,140, Conservation (01/02 funds-\$189,685 all other funds-\$94,075), Health board-\$403,511, Weed commissioner-\$600, Human Services-\$20,650 Care Facility-\$18,100, Medical Examiner-\$19,000, District Court-\$11,000, General Services-\$107,050, Mental Health-\$261,380, Juvenile PO-\$17,500, Non-Departmental-\$306,739. Ayes: 3.

The board adjourned to the supervisor's office at 10:22AM.

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, a listing of new family farm applications, as presented by the county assessor, were approved for the 2016-2017 tax collectible year. Ayes: 3

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, upon recommendation of the VBC Conservation Board, Tammy DeMoss, Farmington, was appointed as a temporary PT Greef Store Clerk, effective March 14, 2016, at a salary of \$8.75/hr. Ayes: 3

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, the chair was authorized to sign a memorandum of lease with TOWERCO IV LLC, Cary, NC. regarding lease of land under the present radio tower north of the VBC Law Enforcement Center. Ayes: 3

County Engineer Jeff Williams was present to update the board on various road projects including pipeline inspection contract, landfill report, employee retirement, equipment purchases, rock crushing, and 2016 re-surfacing projects.

At 11:00AM the chair called to order a public hearing for receiving public comment on a proposal to assign a Van Buren County held tax sale certificate #2010-00201 to Steve Lane, RR, Birmingham for the full amount of taxes, penalty, interest, and costs. Steve Lane was present. Finding that said notice of this public hearing was duly published and upon hearing or receiving no written or oral objections to the proposal, it was moved by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, that the hearing be closed and that the board approve the assignment as presented. Ayes: 3

At 11:30AM the chair called to order a public hearing on the closure, vacation of a street (vacation of plat) and the disposition of the same in the unincorporated town of East Vernon as described in the February 22, 2016 minutes of the board of supervisors. Teressa and Brooke Showman were present. Finding that said notice of this public hearing was duly published and notice was given to affected land owners, and upon hearing or receiving no written or oral objections to the proposal, it was moved by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, that the hearing be closed and that the board approve a resolution vacating a portion of plat in the unincorporated

town of East Vernon and disposition of the same, as proposed, authorizing the chair to sign quit claim deeds on said closed and vacated portions, as proposed, and recording the same at county expense. Ayes: 3

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, the following payroll/claims/reports were approved: Payroll-#6997-7146, Claims #3433-3749 (disallow #3619), (Secondary Road-#23455-23508 (disallow #23470), Sheriff-February, Oath of office-Lick Creek Twp. Clerk, deputy county treasurer. Ayes: 3

Board members reported on various committee meetings held including RUSS, R, C, & D, Hazard mitigation, REDI, SIDCA, ISAC spring school, Children 1st Executive board, Township officer training, and E911

EMA Director David Drummond was present to update the board on E911 communication lines.

The regular meeting adjourned at 12:10 PM.

Mark G. Meek, Chair

Attest: Jon P. Finney
County Auditor

Board of Supervisors
Van Buren County, Iowa