

Keosauqua, Iowa
April 25, 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. County attorney Abe Watkins was also present.

Dan Loftus, RR Douds, was present to submit a petition signed by approximately 110 county residents and discuss with the board what action the board of supervisors could take to prevent hunting dogs from running thru private property without the permission of the landowner.

Cale Plowman, representing the VBC Agricultural Association, was present to discuss the possible county donation of lime from the county quarry for use as fill at the VBC Fairgrounds and possible hauling of the same to the fairgrounds.

This being the date set for a public hearing on amendments to the 2016FY county budget, the chair called the hearing to order at 10AM. Following review of the proposed amendments and answering of questions from those present, and upon receiving no comments on the same, it was moved by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, that the hearing be closed and that the amendments, as proposed, be approved as follows: Public Safety-\$1,213,342 to \$1,248,256, Physical Health-\$474,646 to \$510,616, Mental Health-\$155,830 to \$287,450, Roads-\$2,975,000 to \$3,623,000, Govt Services-\$265,299 to \$276,049, Capitol projects-1,826,598 to \$1,378,598, with the following approved appropriations: Attorney-\$138,127 to \$168,041, Recorder-\$137,018 to \$140,118, Local Health-\$384,126 to \$415,926, Treasurer-\$186,331 to \$192,781, Human Services-\$18,580 to \$22,750, District Court-\$11,000 to \$16,000, Non-Departmental-\$315,213 to \$516,413. Ayes: 3

Mike Smith and Burton Noll of the Iowa DNR and Brian Rath of Barker Lemar Company were present to discuss required monitoring at the old VBC Landfill. County Engineer Jeff Williams was also present.

Heather Thomas of French-Reneker Associates was present to update the board and review pipeline inspection time lines.

Chuck Lazenby was present to discuss the need for additional directional signage for Van Buren County on the Highway 34 corridor at Fairfield and seek county support for the same. Following discussion of the same, it was moved by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, that the county submit a letter of support for signage at that location. Ayes: 3

Representatives of Optimae Behavioral Health Services, Van Buren County Hospital, and the Van Buren and Jefferson County CPC's were present to update the board and answer questions on services provided to VBC residents by Optimae in VBC and Jefferson counties.

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, the county treasurer was authorized to assess special assessment liens against the following property owners in the former city of Mt. Sterling for delinquent sewer accounts: 1) Kimmarie Robison (parcel #000451507278120)-\$155.75, 2) Brad Smith (parcel #000451507251210)-\$160.11, 3) John Smith (parcel #000451507251115)-\$204.45. Ayes: 3

It is hereby noted that the 1st reading of Van Buren County Ordinance No. 2013-2, Amendment #3, "Mt. Sterling Sewer Rate Ordinance" was read in its entirety by supervisor Waugh 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 Van Buren County Ordinance No. 2013-2, Amendment #3, be acknowledged and approved. Ayes: 3

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, the board approved a one year third party administration service agreement with Employee Benefit Systems, Burlington, effective July 1, 2016, for third party administration of the county's partial self-funded health insurance, authorizing the chair to sign the same. Ayes: 3

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, a Class C Beer permit for the Douds Kwik Stop, Douds, including Class B Native Wine and Sunday sales was approved. Ayes: 3

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, the following payroll/claims/reports were approved: Payroll-#7656-7731, Claims #3458-3975 (Secondary Road-#23580-23606) Ayes: 3

Board members reported on various committee meetings held including VBC Hazard Mitigation, RUSS, and Children 1st.

The regular meeting adjourned at 12:30PM.

Mark G. Meek, Chair

Attest: _____
Jon P. Finney, County Auditor

Board of Supervisors
Van Buren County, Iowa