

Van Buren County Board of Supervisors
Keosauqua, Iowa
October 23, 2017-10AM

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

County Conservation director Richard Daugherty was present to thank the road department for its part in keeping J40 between Bentonsport and Bonaparte, which is under construction, open during the county scenic drive festival.

County EMA director David Drummond was present to inform the board about a \$20,000 grant being given to the county for EMS/Fire departments use from the Dakota Access Pipeline, and about cyber security services offered by Iowa Homeland Security and the district IT administrators association.

This being the date set for a public hearing on the closure and vacation of a section of 150th Street as described in the minutes of the board of supervisors on October 16, 2017, the chair called the hearing to order at 10:00AM. Following review and discussion of the proposed closure and vacation, and upon hearing or receiving no comments on the same, it was moved by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, that the hearing be closed. Ayes: 3. It was further moved on motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon that the board approve Resolution No. 10-23-17 ordering the closing and vacation of said roadway upon the establishment of easements of ingress and egress for the affected property owners. Ayes: 3

Members of the VBC Veterans Affairs Commission and Assistant GA/VA Director were present to discuss the appointment of a GA/VA director, hours of operation, and other staffing. Following discussion, on motion by Waugh, seconded by Meek, Kathy Saltzgaver, Bonaparte, was appointed as Part time VA/GA director for Van Buren County, effective this date, at a salary of \$18.10/hr. for a maximum of 22 hours per week, with office hours remaining at Monday thru Friday 8AM-3:30PM, with the director authorized for additional hours until an assistant is hired. Ayes: 2 (Meek, Waugh), Nay: 1 (Nixon)

County Engineer Ryne Thornburg was present to update the board on the following projects including 28E agreement and memorandum of understanding with the city of Bonaparte, J40 asphalt progress, communication to Andrew Lydolph, employee retirement, ROW issue communications, and question on lighting on old Des Moines River Bridge at Douds.

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, the board approved vacating a 28E agreement with the City of Bonaparte for the funding and reimbursement of the local match for the project number STP-U-0740(601)-70-89, J40 & W40 resurfacing and construction within the corporate limits of Bonaparte, Iowa, as approved at the August 28, 2017 meeting of the board. Ayes: 3

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, the board approved a memorandum of understanding agreement with the City of Bonaparte for the funding and reimbursement of the local match for the project number STP-U-0740(601)-70-89, J40 & W40 resurfacing and construction within the corporate limits of Bonaparte, Iowa. Ayes: 3

Deputy county auditor Lisa Plecker was present to discuss and answer questions regarding a proposed 28E Agreement for Iowa Precinct Atlas Consortium. Following discussion, on motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, the board approved Resolution #10-23-2017A, authorizing the chair to sign a 28E agreement for Iowa Precinct Atlas Consortium. Ayes: 3

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Meek, the following request for rural tax abatement was approved: Robert L. & Theresa A. Roff, 15430 Juniper Trl., Birmingham (Parcel #38-02-35-200-310, Lick Creek Twp). Ayes: 3

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, the following payroll/claims/reports were approved: Payroll-#14275-14353 Claims-#7390-7462 (Secondary Road-#24860-24885), Auditor1st Qrt. 2018FY. Ayes: 3

Board members reported on various committee meetings held including SEIL, Heartland Insurance, and RUSS

The meeting adjourned at 12:15PM.

Mark G. Meek, Chair

Attest: Jon P. Finney, County Auditor

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