

Van Buren County Board of Supervisors
Keosauqua, Iowa
June 12, 2017-10:00AM

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 Virginia Barchman was also present.

Representatives of the Southeast Iowa Case Management were present to discuss the 2018FY contract between the Van Buren County and SE Iowa Case Management. Coordinator of Disabilities Services Sandy Stever was also present. Following discussion of the same, it was moved by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, that said contract, as presented, be approved and that chair be authorized to sign the same. Ayes: 3

Following discussion of a Statement of Understanding between Van Buren and Jefferson counties, and the Southeast Iowa Link (mental health region), it was moved by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, that the board approve and the chair be authorized to sign said statement of understanding that results in the sharing of Coordinator of Disability Services staff between Jefferson and Van Buren County, with Van Buren County reimbursing the Jefferson County fund 10 for 29% of the total wages and benefits associated with such shared staff, effective January 1, 2017. Ayes: 2 (Meek, Nixon), Nay: 1 (Waugh)

County Engineer Ryne Thornburg was present to update the board on various road projects and issues including J40 shouldering, surveying in Douds, W30 patching, level B Road upgrade, road vacation of a portion of 150th Street, staffing, and county line agreement reviews.

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, Van Buren County Ordinance No. 2013-2, Amendment #4, "Mt. Sterling Sewer Rate Ordinance", as adopted on May 22, 2017, and as published on the 25th day of May, 2017, in the VBC Register, is hereby adopted as a supplement to the VBC Code of Ordinances in and for VBC, Iowa. Ayes: 3 (Meek, Nixon, Waugh)

Emily Reneker was present to ask permission to use the courthouse yard for a Bible reading by volunteers from 1-5PM on Sunday, June 25th. Consensus of the board was to grant permission.

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, the county attorney was authorized to file a consent decree with the district court releasing Van Buren County claims on property located in the city of Keosauqua as described in Equity No. 0026192. Ayes: 3

County Treasurer Linda Whitten was present to discuss and update the board on taxes on abandoned property, tax sale of unknown owner property, and biannual review of the county investment policy. Following discussion and review of the county investment policy, it was moved by Waugh, seconded by Nixon that said policy be approved. Ayes: 3

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, the board acknowledged the receipt of notice from the Van Buren County Sheriff's office regarding an oral resignation from PT dispatcher/jailer Kathy Countryman, effective May 23, 2017, was accepted. Ayes: 3

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, Brad Klodt, RR Milton, was appointed to a vacancy on the Van Buren County Historic Preservation Commission for the term ending December 31, 2017. Ayes: 3

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, a resignation from deputy county recorder Sheryl Muhs, effective August 4, 2017, was accepted, with regrets. Ayes: 3

Discussion was held on a request for funds from the Farmington EMS. Following discussion of the same, it was moved by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, that the county pledge the sum of \$5000 toward an ambulance purchase by the Farmington EMS. Ayes: 3

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, a renewal agreement with “Solutions”, Spencer for 2018FY computer hardware and software maintenance support was approved. Ayes: 3

On motion by Nixon, seconded by Waugh, the chair was authorized to sign in behalf of Van Buren County, a First Amendment to site lease with option between Van Buren County and TOWERCO IV LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, concerning the communication tower at the Law Enforcement Center. Ayes: 3

On motion by Waugh, seconded by Nixon, the following payroll/claims/reports were approved: Payroll-#12516-12594, Claims-#6442-6572 (Secondary Road-#24514-24567), Annual cigarette permits for Boyd Grocery, Douds Kwik Stop, and Moore’s Grocery, Sheriff-May. Ayes: 3

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

A review of recent hail damage to county property was reviewed with the board by the county auditor and engineer.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20PM.

Mark G. Meek, Chair

Attest: Jon P. Finney
County Auditor

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