

November 4, 2003

The Board of Supervisors of Shelby County, Iowa, met pursuant to law and rules of said board in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Chambers of the Shelby County Courthouse with the following members present: Gayle Petersen, Chairman; Roger Schmitz, Vice-Chairman; and Richard Ferry; and Marsha J. Carter, Clerk.

It was moved by Schmitz, seconded by Ferry, to approve the agenda with the following additions: (1) Set hearing date – Road Vacation – North line of Section 2, Jefferson Township, (2) Extension Week Proclamation, AND the following items contained in the Consent Agenda:

- A. Minutes of October 21, 2003
- B. Office Reports –MIS
- C. Committee Reports

AYES: Petersen, Schmitz, Ferry

NAYES: None

The public hearing on the Housing Fund Grant Application was rescheduled for November 17, 2003.

Jerry Lawson, GIS Coordinator, and Marsha Carter, Auditor, appeared before the Board to discuss future additions to the County website. Lawson informed the Board that over the last year the GIS Mapping page of the website had received an average of almost 2,000 hits per month. Carter gave the Board an overview of what information is already available on the website. The next possible project could be adding the capability of retrieving recorded documents through the website. A few other counties already have this in place and are charging a subscription fee for this service. We cannot add this information to the website at this time because of the poor quality of the images. Ferry reported that he had spoken to Linda Jacobsen, Shelby County Recorder, who is in charge of getting this problem resolved, and that she had stated that she was not sure it was worth going back and doing it again (rescanning the microfilmed documents). Carter, who has talked to the Board numerous times about the necessity of resolving this issue, disagreed. The blurred images have been a problem since the scanning project was completed in October of 2000.

It was moved by Ferry, seconded by Schmitz, to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract between Harrison/Monona/Shelby Decategorization Project Area and Iowa Department of Human Services AND Shelby County Board of Supervisors authorizing the Marsha Carter, Shelby County Auditor, to be the Empowerment Fiscal Agent for the three-county area for an annual fee of \$5000. AYES: Petersen, Schmitz, Ferry NAYES: None

Marsha Carter, Auditor, reported that the Des Moines Register had incorrectly reported that Shelby County no longer pays for Indigent Funerals.

A discussion was held on the policy regarding Board actions. Schmitz wanted the Board to pass a policy that in the future no one Board member can make statements or complaints and present them as being the consensus of the entire Board when no Board action has been taken. County Attorney Marcus Gross stated that the Board could pass a policy, but this is already forbidden by the Code of Iowa. Schmitz would also like the Board to pass a policy that any expenses incurred because of an unfounded complaint shall be paid by the complainant. Gross will research the legalities of this issue and report back to the Board.

It was moved by Schmitz, seconded by Ferry, to approve the following proclamation:

PROCLAMATION
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION WEEK

Iowa State University Extension in Shelby County is of tremendous importance for Shelby County, contributing to our employment, economic prosperity, educational advancement, volunteerism, peace, understanding and goodwill.

Every citizen benefits from Iowa State University Extension. In Shelby County, Iowa State University Extension enhances our personal growth and education, while promoting intercultural understanding and appreciation of the importance of education.

In recognition of the unique significance that Iowa State University Extension has on the lives of the citizens of Shelby County;

Now therefore, we, the Supervisors of Shelby County, do hereby proclaim the week beginning November 16, 2003, as Iowa State University Extension week, and we call upon the people of Shelby County to observe this week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

AYES: Petersen, Schmitz, Ferry

NAYES: None

Because of FY2004 budget cuts, the \$4,000 annual salary being paid to Charlie Parkhurst to act as the Shelby County Safety Coordinator will be discontinued. Dan Ahart, County Engineer, discussed the possibility of keeping Parkhurst as Safety Coordinator for Secondary Road. It was moved by Schmitz, seconded by Petersen, to authorize Ahart to negotiate a wage with Parkhurst to act as Secondary Road Safety Coordinator. Salary to be paid out of the Secondary Road Fund.

AYES: Petersen, Schmitz, Ferry

NAYES: None

It was moved by Ferry, seconded by Schmitz, to approve plans for Project BROS-CO83(34)—8J-83 for submittal to the IDOT and authorize the Chairman to sign all necessary plan documents.

AYES: Petersen, Schmitz, Ferry

NAYES: None

It was moved by Schmitz, seconded by Ferry, to set the date for the hearing on the vacation of the road on the north line Section 2, Jefferson Township, as November 17, 2003, at 9:30 a.m.

AYES: Petersen, Schmitz, Ferry

NAYES: None

The County Engineer updated the Board on ongoing Secondary Road projects

There being no further business appearing, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Gayle Petersen, Chairman

ATTEST:

Marsha J. Carter

Clerk to the Board of Supervisors

NOTE: These minutes are as recorded by the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors and are subject to Board approval at the next regular meeting.