

March 5, 2007

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

Since there was no quorum, no official action could be taken.

A group of concerned citizens from the Panama and Westphalia area appeared before the Board to discuss a possible turning land off Highway 59 west onto Street F32. Iowa Department of Transportation representatives, Tony Lazarowicz and Wayne Brensel, District 3, and Brian Morrissey, District 4, along with the Dan Ahart, County Engineer, presented information and answered questions from the group. The increasing traffic and the number of accidents and “near misses” at this intersection were discussed. The DOT representatives offered several options:

1. Paint solid yellow lines – “No Passing Zone”
2. Install sign – “Turning Traffic Ahead”
3. Pursue funding to put in a turning lane

The logical permanent solution is to add the turning lane, but would have to have DOT approval and available contingency funds. Even if the DOT approved it, this would require at least a 45% county match. The estimated project cost is \$150,000 + design and staking. The cost to the County could exceed \$75,000.

The DOT representatives will pursue all possible options and will contact the County Engineer within 30 days.

The meeting concluded at 9:42 a.m.

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Roger Schmitz, Chairman

ATTEST:

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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.