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: Chairman, Steve Kenkel, Vice-Chairman, Charles Parkhurst, Roger Schmitz and Mark L Maxwell, Clerk.

The Chair asked that any Conflict of Interest be stated concerning any item on the agenda. No conflicts were stated.

It was moved by Parkhurst, seconded by Schmitz, to approve the agenda. AYES: Schmitz, Kenkel, Parkhurst NAYES: None

It was moved by Schmitz, seconded by Parkhurst, to approve the Minutes of October 17, 2017, as presented. AYES: Schmitz, Kenkel, Parkhurst NAYES: None

It was moved by Parkhurst, seconded by Kenkel, to approve the Claims of October 31, 2017, as listed in the Claims Register. AYES: Schmitz, Kenkel, Parkhurst NAYES: None

Steve Kenkel reported on the Southwest Iowa Mental Health Region Planning Board. December 4<sup>th</sup> will be the next meeting.

The situation in Corley concerning the salvage yard in Corley has been ordered to cease operations, the DNR has become involved with some open burning at the location. The injunction placed, orders the owner to comply by October 31st, 2017 or fines will start to accumulate.

Charlie Parkhurst, Conservation Board Representative for the Board of Supervisors, told that REAP monies are being used to construct a restroom facility on the north side of Manteno Lake.

The Supervisors then discussed the renaming of the East Branch of the West Nishnabotna River to the Avoca River. This was suggested by the United States Board on Geographic names. Public input was asked for before any action will be taken by the board. Taryn Knapp, Shelby County GIS/Real Estate Specialist, was asked to comment on the renaming of the river, and what problems it may pose to legal descriptions and Shelby County in general.

Bob Mortensen representing Shelby County Trails asking Shelby to become the lead Agency for the current grant application process, it was asked if Shelby County was to be the fiscal Agent or the fiscal sponsor. Mortensen agreed to get Auditor Maxwell the grant agency's contacts, to get the details before any decision will be made by the board.

Todd Valline, Shelby County Chamber of Commerce and Industry, updated the Board on ongoing projects. The Santa Clause is coming to town, seems to be very popular as he will make a showing in every town in the County this December. Valline also said that Christmas decorating in Harlan will begin this coming weekend.

The board was approached by Audubon County recently, with the proposal of sharing a County Attorney. County Attorney Marcus Gross and Assistant County Attorney Todd Argotsinger submitted a letter to the Board of Supervisors that they would not recommend the sharing agreement. The chance of sacrificing service to Shelby County residents would be too great.

Mark Maxwell asked board approval of shifting the duties and increasing wages of two current employees. The current Payroll/ Employee Insurance Specialist and GIS/Real Estate specialist will receive a total of \$1.60 between the two employees as their job descriptions increased in required skills and duties. The position of executive assistant currently held by Karen Goans has been filled. The experience of Goans has permitted her in the past to complete the duties that Maxwell is asking to reassign additional

wages and duties. This will allow the starting wage of Angel Poore to be in line with the starting wages suggested in the County Handbook.

Maxwell as Election Commissioner notified the board of the election Canvass next Tuesday at 9:00. A motion by Schmitz and a second by Parkhurst preceded a unanimous vote in favor of setting the date and time.

It was moved by Schmitz, seconded by Parkhurst, to set the date and time for cash rent of the County Farm and the Landfill properties as November 21, 2017 at 9:10 a.m. AYES: Schmitz, Kenkel, Parkhurst NAYES: None

A petition presented by the Concerned Citizens of Shelby County concerning Cedar Road and its condition was discussed. Several citizens spoke of the condition of this County road. The general consensus of the speakers was that the road is in worse condition than before any resurfacing with rock began. The material will not stay put and wash boarding is occurring all along that stretch of road north of Portsmouth. Dan Ahart, County Engineer, explained that in 1997 Cedar Road was included in the 85 miles of "hard surface" roads in the County. Now there are only about 15 miles of that type of road remaining. The cost of keeping the roads up and the size and weight of farm machinery and grain hauling have both taken their toll on the County's ability to find revenues to keep roads surfaced the way they have been in the past. Ahart also noted the dry weather has not assisted in the condition of the road. Ahart agreed to get more immediate maintenance on this road and now that harvest traffic has lessened.

A motion by Parkhurst and a second by Schmitz was made to adopt the following resolution after a reading of the resolution by Chairman Kenkel.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-30**

## RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE NEW ENGINEER, AUTHORITY EXECUTE CERTIFICATIONS AND FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF WORK ON SHELBY COUNTY ROADS PROJECTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Shelby County, Iowa, that Brandon D. Burmeister the County engineer of Shelby County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the certification of completion of work and final acceptance thereof in accordance with plans and specifications in connection with all Farm-to-Market and Federal or State aid construction projects in this County.

The resolution was passed with Ayes by Parkhurst, Kenkel and Schmitz and no Nayes.

County Engineer, Dan Ahart, made his last road report to the board before retiring stating that the bridge projects have been moving forward and the county bridge crew headed by Dave Gau has had a very productive summer. Ahart noted that there are about 975 miles of roads in the county and 125 of them are dirt.

The Board then thanked Mr. Ahart for wished him well in his retirement.

his 21 years of service to Shelby County and

ATTEST:

Steve Kenkel, Chairman

Mark L. Maxwell 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.