

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 Shelby County Courthouse with the following members present: Darin Haake, Chairperson; Steve Kenkel, Vice-Chairperson; and Supervisor Charles Parkhurst and Mark Maxwell, Clerk.

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

A motion was made by Kenkel and seconded by Parkhurst to approve the agenda with no additions. AYES: Unanimous NAYES: None

It was moved by Parkhurst, seconded by Kenkel, to approve the claims of the end of June, 2021 as listed in the claims register. AYES: Unanimous NAYES: None

The Supervisors then approved the minutes of the June 15th and June 30th, Board of Supervisors meetings after a motion by Kenkel and a second by Parkhurst.

Alex Londo, Shelby County Emergency Management Coordinator, was on hand to discuss with the Supervisors a new radio system that could possibly improve emergency communications countywide. Motorola representatives were on hand to present an overview of the upgrade. Londo was instructed to present financing option should the County decide to upgrade the communication system.

Mike Galloway representing the Shelby County Human Resource legal provider, Ahlers and Cooney P.C. was on hand to present findings of wage differentials between Shelby county office personnel wages and neighboring counties including; Cass, Montgomery, Harrison, Audubon and Crawford Counties. These other counties were chosen for likewise geographic and population equities. These Shelby county wages were discovered to be much less than neighboring counties. The number of applications and aptly qualified applications for new hiring in these positions have been dropping the last couple of years for various reasons. Galloway suggested the Supervisors try to get closer to the average wages with the other Counties. The mechanism for establishing the new wages was not decided.

Todd Valline, Shelby County Chamber of Commerce and Industry, presented to the board many of the happenings concerning his organization as well as ribbon cuttings and other Chamber events. Valline also said his office is active in the creating of a can redemption center in Shelby County.

A brief discussion concerning Shelby County Covid policies that are still in effect was had, a motion was made by Kenkel and Seconded by Parkhurst to eliminate all Covid/Pandemic related policies. All three Supervisors voted in favor of the cessation of those policies.

Chris Fredrickson, assistant County engineer was present to discuss any Secondary Road Department's happenings and current activities including; the completion of a current bridge project and the recent burning of a County bridge the suspected cause was fireworks. Also vandals removed a barrier on Linden road to prevent traffic before curing of the surface. Permanent damage has been the result. The damage is unrepairable. The barrier has been removed twice before the surface was ready for any traffic. The Supervisors urged the public not to remove barriers as there are reasons they were installed.

Mark Maxwell, Shelby County Auditor, presented the Supervisors with two building and grounds use applications one for the Southwest Iowa Arts Tour and one for the Forgotten Artist event. Liability insurance is in place at this time. Parkhurst made a motion to approve both applications, Kenkel seconded the motion the motion passed unanimously.

Half of the Shelby County American Relief act dollars have arrived. Procedure practices was discussed on how to distribute funds and address monetary issues faced by Shelby County as a whole. A draft application was presented as well as guidelines on the distribution of any funds made available. The County Auditor has estimated that between 70,000 and 550,000 dollars will be able to be claimed by the lost revenue calculations provided by the National Association of Counties. The amount of lost revenues determined by the calculations will be reserved for Shelby County used as revenues. The balance will be made available for COVID pandemic related relief.

Some minor changes were suggested and the procedure will be reviewed at the next regular meeting.

Auditor Maxwell then asked the supervisors to approve the annual Audit engagement letter signing by Maxwell. Kenkel made a motion to approve the signing of the document, Parkhurst seconded the motion. Haake, Kenkel and Parkhurst all voted in favor of the Auditor signing the engagement letter.

Darin Haake, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Mark L. Maxwell
Clerk to the Board of Supervisors