

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

March 16, 2009

Be it duly noted these minutes of 3/16/09 are UNOFFICIAL minutes.

The Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30AM with Board members Michael Nolte-Chairman, Corey Eberling and Jerry L. Plagge present.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Nolte, approves the agenda as submitted with the following addition: 1) Appointment to 28 member Compensation/Condemnation Board. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Nolte, approves the minutes of 3/9/09. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Board opened the meeting to public comment. Sandy Eckhardt-Drainage Clerk was present regarding DD #6 additional repair work not figured in the present FEMA work orders.

Committee reports were given on: Franklin County Development updates; Mental Health three year strategic planning with Access, Inc. and Conservation Board meeting.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, appoints Jay Brower, representing a city landowner, to the 28 member Compensation/Condemnation Board for an unlimited term. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Board received Secondary Road's Iowa DOT five year program and budget for 2010 to 2015. The Board will review this information this week. No action taken.

The County Engineer explained the Community Disaster Grant Fund Allocation for County Infrastructure not covered under FEMA with a possible maximum to be received at \$2400. A bill for signs that was not covered by FEMA will be submitted for these grant dollars. No action taken.

The Board approved Contract with B & W Control Specialists for 2009 tree and brush control for the four northern most tier townships.

At 9:30 AM Karen Mitchell-Franklin County Development Director met with the Board to request funding for a Phase 1 Environmental and Preliminary Geo-Technical Study of the Latimer Industrial Park. The purpose of the study is to gain information required by site selectors and location decision makers when considering the quality of the industrial park as a building site. The cost is estimated at \$9,300-\$9,500 to study the entire park. The source of revenue has been requested from the City of Latimer, Alliant Energy, Latimer Development Corporation, Franklin REC and Franklin County.

Motions by Eberling, seconded by Nolte, that Franklin County participate in the funding of \$2,000 for the Phase 1 Environmental and Preliminary Geo-Technical Study of the Latimer Industrial Park. The purpose of the study is to gain information required by site selectors and location decision makers when considering the quality of the industrial park as a building site. The cost is estimated at \$9,300-\$9,500 to study the entire park. Eberling, Nolte-Ayes, Plagge-Abstained.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, opens at 10:00 AM a Public Hearing to receive comments on an Amendment of the FY08/09 Budget of expenditures and revenues. All ayes. Motion carried.

Present was: Karen Mitchell-Franklin County Development Director. No written or oral comments had been received by the Auditor or Supervisors.

Motion by Eberling, seconded by Plagge, closes the Public Hearing at 10:04 AM. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, adopts Resolution 2009-10: Amending the FY2008/2009 Franklin County Budget for revenue and expenditures. Changes in Revenues are: Secondary Road: \$15,000 Local Option Tax; Conservation: \$19,493 FEMA; Medical Examiner: \$9,000 Autopsy Reimbursements; Secondary Road (\$130,391) decrease in Road Use Tax, \$665,610 FEMA, \$35,000 Time 21 Funds, \$4,100 Trip Permits; Recorder: \$1,900 Fees; Treasurer (\$65,000) Decrease in interest rates; Secondary Road: \$10,500 Snow removal & Materials; Recorder \$115 Refund; Conservation: \$3,000 correcting transfer from Drill Fund to General Fund and changes in Expenditures are: Sheriff: \$34,861 Correction moving from General Fund to Rural Basic Fund; Clerk of Court: \$20,600 Juvenile

Detention & Grand Jury; Medical Examiner: \$9,000 Autopsies; Substance Abuse: \$345 Transports; Conservation: \$19,493 FEMA-related expenses; Secondary Roads: \$608,000 Bridges, Roads, Snow & Equipment; Auditor: \$6,100 Election Expense; Treasurer: \$57 Life Insurance; General Services: \$7,000 Tort Liability Insurance; Conservation: \$3,000 correcting transfer to General Fund from Drill Replacement Fund. Eberling-Aye, Nolte-Aye, Plagge-Aye. Resolution duly adopted.

At 10:15 AM the Board participated in a conference call with John Danos, Dorsey Whitney Attorneys, Des Moines, Iowa, to discuss options allowed by the Dows Urban Renewal Area TIF project to participate in a GO Bond for the Dows Travel Center. After discussion, it was agreed to set a date and time for another Public Hearing to capture additional dollars in the GO Bond for the payment of interest in the first years before taxes come due from the Dows Welcome Center.

Motion by Eberling, seconded by Nolte, sets April 13, 2009 at 10:00AM as the date and time for a Public Hearing to address additional GO funds to the Dows Urban Renewal Area TIF project for the Dows Travel Center adding \$10,000 to the already passed \$260,000 GO Bond. These additional dollars will be used for the payment of interest in the first year of the contract. All ayes. Motion carried.

At 10:45 AM Ron Dunt-Hampton City Administrator met with the Board to discuss a possible 28E Agreement between Franklin County and the City of Hampton creating a system for the Treasurer to collect delinquent parking fines through the motor vehicle process. The City Services Committee recommended to the Hampton City Council to pursue and look into this 28E option. Present were: Ron Dunt-Hampton City Administrator, Chad Murray-Treasurer and Cindy Shelton-Deputy Treasurer. The County Treasurer will research this option and get back to the Board.

At 11:00 AM John Hansen-Midwest Consulting, Houghton, Iowa, met with the Board to discuss the progress on the proposed Sheriff's Law Enforcement Building. Present was: John Hansen-Midwest Consulting, Houghton, Iowa, Russell Wood-County Planner, Larry Richtsmeier-Sheriff and Linn Larson-Deputy Sheriff. John Hansen described the proposed Scheme 'G' Floor Plan at 6,450 square feet. The Board has submitted an application to the State for Stimulus Grant dollars to help subsidize the new building. The Board requested Russell Wood look into the Stimulus Grant and the possibility of Franklin County receiving dollars. The findings will be submitted to the Board at next weeks meeting.

Park School Tree removal bids were tabled to an indefinite time.

A written request was sent to the three Unions of the County to re-negotiate the FY09/10 Union Contracts to consider a 1% decrease in wages for the 09/10 fiscal year. The Unions did not agree to this offer. Motion by Eberling, seconded by Plagge, approves non-union wages for FY09/10 at 3.5% increase to be consistent with the Union Contracts. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, approves a Letter of Intent to the Baker Group permitting them to do a preliminary evaluation of the Courthouse facility to determine the current condition of the mechanical and electrical equipment. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, approves a Liquor License for the Hampton Country Club through 3/15/2009. All ayes. Motion carried.

A letter was sent to the Hampton City Council requesting for handicap parking be situated just outside of the west Courthouse door on 1st Street, per the recommendation of the Courthouse Security Committee.

The Board acknowledged receipt of a Contract between the Board of Supervisors serving as Trustees for DD #6, and Weidemann, Inc., Dows, to perform work in the Drainage District for a total of \$117,690.00 as was considered at the January 15, 2009 letting. Upon review, they signed the Contract.

The Board acknowledged a Manure Management Plan Renewal for: 1) Matt Showalter Finisher #58693, owner Matt Showalter, site located 1822 Mallard Avenue, Hampton, Section 6, Mott Township.

Motion by Plagge, seconded by Eberling, adjourns at 11:45AM, until March 23, 2009. All ayes. Motion carried.

Michael Nolte, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Michelle S. Giddings, Auditor & Clerk to Board