

Board of Supervisors Office, Carroll, Iowa
Monday, November 24, 2008

The Board of Supervisors of Carroll County, Iowa, met in regular adjourned session in the Boardroom of the Courthouse, in Carroll, Iowa, the County seat of said County on Monday, November 24, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. Central Standard Time pursuant to law, the rules of said Board and to the adjournment with all members present: Eugene Meiners, Dan Nieland, Neil Trobak, Del McDermott and Marty Danzer.

Motion by Trobak, second by Meiners to approve the agenda with one addition: Drain 102. On roll call, all voted aye.

Motion by Nieland, second by McDermott to approve minutes of the November 17, 2008 meeting as presented. On roll call, all voted aye.

Carroll City Manager, Gerald Clausen and Mayor, Jim Pedelty met with the Board to review the Agricultural Preservation Overlay District in the two-mile area around Carroll. The "A-P" District was created by City Ordinance No. 0812. The Ordinance states that no lot less than 20 acres will be allowed in A-P areas zoned A1 or A2. A-P areas also zoned R are prohibited from having lots or parcels greater than 2 acres but less than 20 acres. Minimum lot size must conform to the designated zoning. No lot in any A-P area also zoned A may have road or street frontage less than 300 feet, measured at the street. According to the Iowa Code, preservation of agriculture is the highest priority. In the Ag Preservation Overlay, the main focus is orderly development of rural residences in the two-mile area. When land is annexed to the city, utilities must be provided within five years. Pedelty suggested that the County adopt a plan similar to the Ag Preservation Overlay District.

Motion by Nieland, second by Meiners to approve December 8, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. as the date and time for a public hearing for the Status of Funded Activities for the Mt. Carmel Wastewater Project. On roll call, all voted aye.

Chris Whitaker, Region XII, and County Auditor Schettler met last week with Benton Quade, Program Manager for the Iowa Department of Economic Development, to review the Mt. Carmel Wastewater Project. Mr. Quade requested the addition of a termination clause to the construction contract and a request for sole source procurement for Dickerson Mechanical, the only bidder for the Mt. Carmel Wastewater project. Motion by Nieland, second by Trobak to amend the Mt. Carmel Wastewater Project construction contract with the addition of a termination clause. On roll call, all voted aye. Motion by Meiners, second by Nieland to approve signing a sole source request for the Mt. Carmel Wastewater Project. On roll call, all voted aye.

Several residents of Mt. Carmel were present to express their concerns about insurance coverage in case of system failure. Homeowners are required to have insurance, but the County will also have liability insurance for the Mt. Carmel Wastewater system. Auditor will contact Mid-Iowa Insurance to discuss coverage.

Frank Hermsen gave the Board an update on the remodeling project at New Hope Village. He displayed pictures showing the changes made in the cottage and explained the benefits to both clients and staff. Remodeling of a second cottage is anticipated to begin in the next few months. The project is being funded with contributions from a capital campaign. Hermsen reviewed vocational services provided by New Hope Village and stated there has been an increase in the number of individuals working in the community. New Hope Village has a staff of over 400, and approximately 225 clients. Hermsen said his biggest concern is an available workforce. Hermsen invited the Board to tour the newly remodeled cottage.

County Engineer, Dave Paulson, reviewed an area in Drain 24 that needs to be repaired, in Section 15 of Sheridan Township. Motion by McDermott, second by Trobak to approve the repairs to Drain 24 as presented. On roll call, all voted aye. Paulson and Danzer reviewed repairs needed in Drain 102. Paulson will contact Todd Grossman about making the necessary repairs.

Motion by Meiners, second by McDermott to approve the repairs to Drain 102. On roll call, all voted aye.

Paulson reviewed a utility permit for HMM Boring, doing the work for Qwest. Motion by Trobak, second by McDermott to approve the utility permit for HMM Boring as presented. On roll call, all voted aye.

Paulson reviewed the Weed Commissioner's report, which will be sent to the Iowa Department of Agricultural & Land Stewardship. Motion by Trobak, second by Meiners to approve the Weed Commissioner's report as presented. On roll call, all voted aye.

Paulson reviewed a quotation for crushed concrete from American Concrete Products, Inc. Two years ago the cost for crushed concrete was \$7.50/ton. The current quote is \$9.25/ton. Paulson said it is good quality material, and he would like to purchase 2 or 3 thousand tons. Motion by Meiners, second by Nieland to have Paulson negotiate a price with American Concrete, starting at \$7.50/ton. On roll call, all voted aye.

Paulson discussed the sale of the Lanesboro shed. He will notify the City of Lanesboro and adjacent landowners and put a notice in the paper.

Dawn Mentzer, CPC, reviewed the Carroll County Management Plan Annual Review for FY08. Carroll County provides case management services to persons with chronic mental illness, mental retardation and developmental disabilities. Persons with mental retardation are the largest group served. ICF-MR and SCL are the most expensive services provided. Motion by Meiners, second by McDermott to approve the FY08 Carroll County Management Plan Annual Review. On roll call, all voted aye.

Mentzer invited the Board to attend a mental health advisory board meeting on November 26th, to be held in the Courthouse meeting room. Robyn Wilson will review the changes needed to the management plan due to changes in Chapter 25 of the Iowa Administrative Code.

Motion by Trobak, second by Meiners to approve claims for payment as presented. On roll call, all voted aye.

Board reviewed manure management annual updates for Daniel D. Pottroff in Section 26, Jasper Township, Farm 190-Cinco in Section 28, Richland Township, and Farm 191-Fatso in Section 27, Richland Township.

Meiners reported on ISAC.

Nieland reported on Board of Health, Region XII, and Partnership 4 Families.

Trobak reported on CACCC and Region XII. Trobak left the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

McDermott reported on ISAC.

Danzer reported on Drain 102.

Auditor handed out the appointment list and asked the Board to review positions up for appointment renewal.

The Mt. Carmel final walk-through is scheduled for later in the week, and union negotiation meetings are scheduled for December 5th.

Motion by Meiners, second by Nieland to adjourn at 11:47 a.m. On roll call, all present voted aye.

There was no meeting on December 1, 2008.

Joan Schettler, Auditor

Marty Danzer, Chairman