

Office of Mills County Auditor
Carol Robertson
Courthouse
Glenwood, IA

The Mills County Board of Supervisors met this 23rd day of July, 2013, in the Courthouse in Glenwood with Ron Kohn, Richard Crouch and Lonnie Mayberry present.

Motion by Crouch, seconded by Mayberry to approve the agenda as presented and to approve the July 16, 2013 minutes as corrected.

Motion carried on a vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

Scott Lundberg and Bill Huey of Prochaska and Associates and Mills County Attorney Eric Hansen were present for the signing of the contract between Meco-Henne Contracting, Inc. for the new Law Enforcement Center.

Motion by Mayberry seconded by Crouch to sign the contract with Meco-Henne Contracting Inc. Crouch expressed concerns on issues that have not been taken care of with projects prior to this date.

Motion carried on a vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

The Engineer also shared concerns in regards to the fence on the property of the Engineer's building that is to be taken out for the construction of the new Law Enforcement Center and is requiring them to properly put the fence back as it was.

There was one utility permit to report this week: Prairie Telephone Company - to re-route a line on the east edge 190th Street along Jardine that will eventually end at the BP Station on 190th Street.

Motion by Crouch seconded by Mayberry to approve plans for Project #STP-CO65(77)-5E-65, resurfacing of 221st Street South.

Motion carried on a vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

Marci McClellan, Building and Zoning was present for general discussion. Michelle Holmes was also present to share concerns she has regarding the Zoning Ordinance requirement to obtain a grading permit and a special use permit to disturb more 5000 square feet of dirt in order to put a building on their property which is in the Loess Hills zone. Holmes feels they are grandfathered in because her husband's grandfather hauled dirt off the same property many years ago and didn't have to hire an engineer to do a grading plan. Engineer Mayberry stated that because of work that has been done and amount of soil currently exposed, he would work with their engineer to expedite this project. Holmes is concerned with potential erosion and dirt being washed into their house and the road if there were a significant amount of rain. The Board stated they understand her concerns but the grading plan requirement for the Loess Hills is an important policy that needs to be followed.

Motion by Crouch seconded by Mayberry to approve the hire of Karen Mattox as a 911 dispatcher on July 29, 2013 at a rate of \$14.39 per hour. Mattox has passed all medical and psychological testing that is required.

Motion carried on a vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

Motion by Mayberry seconded by Crouch to authorize the Chair to sign the annual 28E's with the cities except Glenwood for \$8.00 per capita for use of the Communication Center.

Motion carried on a vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

Supervisor Crouch excused himself from the meeting at this time.

Motion by Mayberry seconded by Kohn to approve the 26 mile bike ride throughout the Loess Hills on October 12, 2013. Dan Hardcastle stated he would meet with the Sheriff after they received approval from the County to work out the details with the Sheriff Department.

Motion carried on a vote: Ayes: 2 Nays: 0

Darin Whatcott, Building and Zoning Official was present for discussion on the nuisance ordinance request by Duane Kahl. Kahl was present to inquire on the status of the County doing

a nuisance ordinance. He explained there is another resident of Mineola now storing junk on their property and is concerned that the values of property in town might go down. The Board explained that putting an Ordinance in effect in a village is spot zoning and the cost of cleanup could be very expensive for the County to endure; especially when one property sits on a site where an abandoned gas station exists. The Board also feels it's not fair to other County residents to have an increase in taxes to take care of one area. Mr. Whatcott offered some suggestions and Supervisor Kohn will look to see if there are any other Counties in Iowa with a similar situation.

Linda Washburn from the Glenwood Chamber and Gordon Woodrow were present to finalize plans for the ground breaking ceremony for the new Law Enforcement Center on August 7, 2013.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, they adjourned to meet on Tuesday, July 30, 2013.

Mills County Board of Supervisors

Ron Kohn – Chairperson

Attest: _____
Carol Robertson, Auditor