

**MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE ALLAMAKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
APRIL 27, 2009**

Board audited claims on file.

Board met as preadjourned. Board members present Campbell, Kuhse, & Burke. All Board members voting "AYE" unless noted.

09.127-Motion by Campbell and second by Kuhse to approve agenda & minutes from 4/20/09. Motion carried.

Mary Jane White, Kari Iverson, Laurie Welch, & Ann Burckart present.

Mary Jane White has a conflict of interest, a former client of her private practice, and needs to appoint a special prosecutor for case SRCR008958.

09.128-Motion by Kuhse and second by Campbell to appoint Bill Shafer as special prosecutor for case SRCR008958. Motion carried.

White informed the Board that the new computer and server for her office has been delivered and will be installed soon. She would like to have VPN access which will allow her to log on from a remote location if the need arises. She also would like for Kari Iverson, the Victim Witness Coordinator, and Dick White, assistant county attorney, to have the same access. Laurie Welch has talked with Solutions about setting this up and did mention that Jan Heikes already is hooked up with access. Welch would like to see them do VPN access for all elected officials/department heads so we don't have to go thru this each time the need arises.

09.129-Motion by Campbell and second by Kuhse to approve installing VPN access to the County Attorney's Office, Victim Witness Coordinator, Elected Officials and Department Heads. Motion carried.

Last week the Board mentioned looking into a wind energy/generators ordinance. White has talked with Ann Burckart about what other counties are doing and how it will effect the Assessor's office. An incentive draw businesses and individuals to put up wind energy is an exemption or reduction in the taxes assessed. We have had interest in this so Board asked White to get an ordinance drawn up.

Margaret Blake, Patricia Blake, Gene Burroughs, Jerry Blake, Mary Klauke, Sara Aleckson-Melcher, Gene Averhoff, Emma Thompson, Kenneth Larson & Brian Ridenour present.

During public comment time Sarah Aleckson-Melcher asked the Board to look into a way to recycle glass. Since Spectrum Industries in Decorah has changed we now have no outlet for glass and gets thrown in the dumpsters instead. Board will talk with the Solid Waste department to see what we can do.

Mary Klauke and the other land owners had questions about the Bear Creek Dr project. It has been on the 5 yr plan for a lot of years and just want to know the time frame for it. Brian Ridenour said the archeology study has been finished and is currently in the process of get right-of-way acquisitions from landowners. Grading is due to start in 2010 with paving in 2012. Averhoff wondered if any chance this will be postponed again? It has been approved by the State and is top priority for new road projects, so if

all goes normal and no flooding/disasters this year things should progress as planned. Board thanked the group for coming in to talk with them and to bring any other concerns they may have.

Robin Davis, Lance Mielke, Chad Wiltgen, Keith Bruening and Duane Bruening present.

Bids were open for the Rock Resurfacing Letting. Engineer will check over the bids and bring back next week. Bids were as follows:

Division	Wiltgen Const	Riehm Const	Niemann Const	Bruening Rock Products
VI	\$6.24/ton	--	\$7.79/ton	\$6.257/ton
V	\$6.30/ton	--	\$7.96/ton	\$6.257/ton
IV	--	--	\$8.08/ton	\$6.099/ton
III	--	--	\$7.75/ton	\$6.439/ton
II	--	\$6.49/ton	\$7.58/ton	\$5.833/ton
I	--	--	\$7.58/ton	\$6.257/ton

Discussion was held on the Irish Hollow Bridge (project L-20S1) that bids were opened for last week. The project, which is all County dollars, came in over budget. In these economic times, it was decided to reject all bids and put the project on hold for this year.

09.130-Motion by Campbell and second by Kuhse to reject all bids for Project L-20S1 – Irish Hollow Bridge. Motion carried.

Bids were taken at the state level for Balsam Road Entrance Box Culvert, which was totally washed-out in the flooding. Although this came in a little over budget also, the funding for this is 85% federal and 15% county dollars. Bids were as follows: Reilly Const. \$29,883.40; Peterson Contractors \$31,369.33; Minowa Const \$32,752.00; Brennan Const \$ 39,873.50; Midwest Contracting \$45,140.50; Tschiggfrie Excavating \$48,107.40; Vieth Const \$62,672.50.

09.131-Motion by Kuhse and second by Campbell to approve Reilly Const. low bid of \$29,883.40 for Balsam Road Entrance Box Culvert. Motion carried.

09.132-Motion by Campbell and second by Kuhse to approve Resolution for Final Subdivision Plat for Robert Welch. Motion carried.

Laurie Moody present. Moody gave an update on the sewer certification classes taken for the point-of-sale law that will be coming into effect. Also was unable to talk with the individuals from last week's meeting.

09.133-Motion by Campbell and second by Kuhse to approve Sheriff's Quarterly Report. Motion carried.

09.134-Motion by Kuhse and second by Campbell to approve Veterans Affairs' Quarterly Report. Motion carried.

Board adjourned meeting to go view projects with Engineer. Board will meet on Monday, May 4, 2009 at 8:45 a.m. Allamakee County Board of Supervisors Lennie Burke, Chairperson ATTEST: Pam Benjegerdes, Auditor

