

January 12, 2010

Tuesday, January 12, 2010 the Jasper County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. with Supervisors Stevenson, Parsons and Tiedje present and accounted for; Chairman Stevenson presiding.

County Recorder, Nancy Parrott, spoke to the Board about the need for her office to implement an updated version of her Land Record's Management software. Parrott told the Board that the update would improve both accuracy and service to its users. The Recorder's Office uses Cott Systems as its software provider as do most of the largest counties in the State. Parrott plans to pay for most of the project from the one dollar fee collected with each real estate filing that her office does. The fee was established by the Iowa Legislature years ago and is to be specifically used for the management of county real estate records.

Motion by Tiedje, seconded by Parsons to table agenda item 1(a) "Cott software purchase" and asked Recorder Parrott to present a contract to the Board for the software upgrade at a future Board meeting.

YEA: PARSONS, TIEDJE, STEVENSON

Motion by Parsons, seconded by Tiedje to approve the Recorder's monthly report of fees collected for the period beginning November 1, 2009 and ending November 30, 2009.

YEA: TIEDJE, PARSONS, STEVENSON

Attorney Steve Holwerda, representing the Prairie City News, requested that Jasper County publish all official publications in the Prairie City News until there is a ruling by the Court in the pending appeal filed by the Prairie City News. Named in the appeal are the Jasper County Tribune and the Diamond Trail News. The Prairie City News is contending that it should have been chosen as one of the three official newspapers.

County Attorney, Mike Jacobsen, advised the Board to agree to the action stating that the County would not be out any extra money since the loser in the appeal will not have been one of the official newspapers and then would not be deserving of payment.

Motion by Parsons, seconded by Tiedje to allow all official County publications to be sent to all four newspapers, Diamond Trail News, Jasper County Tribune, Newton Daily News and the Prairie City News, that made application to the Board of Supervisors to be one of the three official County newspapers and that following the results of the appeal only the two winners of the three newspapers named in the appeal be paid.

YEA: TIEDJE, PARSONS, STEVENSON

Motion by Tiedje, seconded by Parsons to approve HRRR-CO50(90)-5R50 plans for a HMA Pavement-Grade and Replacement Project on Liberty Avenue approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ miles east of the Iowa Speedway Drive.

YEA: PARSONS, TIEDJE, STEVENSON

Emergency Management Director, Jim Sparks and County Sheriff Mike Balmer were before the Supervisors to ask for funding for the Code Red Project. Sparks said that Code Red is a public emergency notification system that users can broadcast information to selected telephone numbers across the County. The cost of the project would be \$13,500 annually to use 50,000 minutes of broadcast time. The Board questioned the procedure that would provide for payment by a user if the 50,000 minutes per year of broadcast time was exceeded. The service would be available to all County residents.

Motion by Parsons, seconded by Tiedje to table agenda item 4 "Emergency Management Code Red funding" and asked Sparks to bring a proposal/contract back to the Board at a future meeting.

YEA: TIEDJE, STEVENSON, PARSONS

Motion by Tiedje, seconded by Parsons to set the following public hearing dates for Ordinance 52A to amend Ordinance 52 On-site Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems (OWTS) - Jasper County Board of Health: January 19, 2010, January 26, 2010 and February 2, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors Room in the Jasper County Courthouse.

YEA: PARSONS, TIEDJE, STEVENSON

Human Resources Director, Dennis Simon, asked the Board to approve a job description for the position of GIS Director. The job description includes listing of job duties and responsibilities, minimum qualifications, education and experience, licenses, certification or registration, equipment and tools that may be used and the work environment.

Motion by Tiedje, seconded by Parsons to approve the job description of the position of Jasper County GIS Director.

YEA: STEVENSON PARSONS TIEDJE

Supervisor Parsons read aloud the letter from the Compensation Board, which plays a role in setting elected officials salaries. The Compensation Board recommended that there be a 0% increase in elected officials salaries for FY2010/2011 and reauthorized \$2,000 in additional pay for the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. It is tradition that the Chairman of the Board receives a \$2,000 stipend.

Motion by Parsons, seconded by Tiedje to approve a 0% increase for all the elected officials and that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors receives a \$2,000 stipend for FY2010/2011.

YEA: TIEDJE, PARSONS, STEVENSON

Motion by Tiedje, seconded by Parsons to approve Board of Supervisors minutes for January 4, 2010 and January 5, 2010.

YEA: PARSONS, STEVENSON, TIEDJE

Motion by Tiedje, seconded by Parsons to appoint Robyn Friedman to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Dennis Wilcox after 29 years of service on the Conservation Board, new term to expire June 30, 2014.

YEA: PARSONS, TIEDJE, STEVENSON

The Board recessed the meeting until 6:00p.m. when the Supervisors will have an interview for the position of County Engineer.

The Board of Supervisors came back into session at 6:00 p.m. Engineer candidate Wade Weiss introduced himself to the Board. Chairman Stevenson explained to Weiss that according to Iowa Code Section 21.5(i) he could choose to have his interview in either open or closed session. Weiss chose to have his interview in closed session.

Motion by Parsons, seconded by Tiedje to enter into closed session in accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.5(i) "to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and the individual requests the closed session".

YEA: TIEDJE, PARSONS, STEVENSON

The Board reentered into open session at 6:50 p.m.

Motion by Tiedje, seconded by Parsons to adjourn the Tuesday, January 12, 2010 Board of Supervisors meeting.

Dennis K. Parrott/Auditor

Dennis Stevenson/Chairman