

Story County  
Board of Supervisors Meeting  
Minutes

5/22/2012 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER: 10:00 A.M.

The Board of Supervisors met on 5/22/12 at 10:00 a.m. in the Story County Administration Building. Wayne E. Clinton, Rick Sanders, and Paul Toot, with Wayne E. Clinton presiding.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

3. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

I. 5/08/12 & 5/15/12 Minutes

Sanders moved, Toot seconded the approval of Minutes (MCU).

4. PUBLIC COMMENT #1: This Comment Period Is For The Public To Address Topics On Today's Agenda

Arden Greiner of Sherman Township commented on tax increment financing (TIF). He expressed concerns regarding Resolution #12-99. He feels the windfarms in the county should provide a "good tax base" for the Eastern part of county; he is concerned the wind turbine taxable income for next 20 years will be used for TIF and thinks TIF revenue should be restricted to the geographic area where it is generated. He feels the county should be prudent when spending TIF revenue. Greiner is willing to be on a community advisory board to review proposed TIF projects if one is created.

5. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS:

I. Consideration Of Resolution #12-93, FY12 Budget Amendment

Lisa Markley, Assistant Auditor, discussed the published amendment. Revenue is amended for a new total of \$1,024,987; expenses are amended by \$994,000. Markley reported on dollars by department. Projected ending fund balances after amendment is 19.2% for the General and Supplemental funds combined. Including unappropriated dollars the ending fund balance is 22%. After the TIF loan is repaid, the fund balance will be 25%. MH fund is projected to be 6%, Rural fund 13.7% and Secondary Roads fund 27%. Clinton opened the public hearing at 10:27 a.m. Hearing no comments, he closed the public hearing at 10:27 a.m. Toot moved, Sanders seconded the approval of Resolution #12-93, FY 12 Budget Amendment. Roll call vote. (MCU)

6. ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

I. Consideration Of Resolution #12-94, FY12 Appropriations Amendment

Lisa Markley, Assistant Auditor, reported on the appropriation amendments by department. Toot moved, Sanders seconded the approval of Resolution #12-94, FY12 Appropriations Amendment. Roll call vote. (MCU)

II. Consideration Of ACCESS Request To Transfer ASSET Funds From Public Education To Battering Counseling And Support Services - Deb Schildroth

Deb Schildroth, Director of Community Services, and Shelly McQueeney, Director of the Assault Care Center Extending Shelter and Support (ACCESS), reported on the request for allocation transfer of \$870 due to shifting needs. Clinton asked for more detail and Schildroth reported that the county has periodically allocated additional funding in the past. The requested funds are general basic dollars from the county. Sanders moved, Toot seconded the approval of ACCESS Request to Transfer \$870 of Analysis of Social Services Evaluation Team (ASSET) funds from public education to battering counseling and support services. (MCU).

III. Consideration Of Resolution #12-95, That Story County Will Undertake A Preliminary Assessment Of The Compliance With The Financial And Other Terms Included In The Contracts Between Community And Family Resources And The Richmond Center And Story County

Sanders gave background information on the Richmond Center and unanswered financial questions. Deb Schildroth, Director of Community Services, reported that she has provided Andy Nielsen, Deputy Auditor of State, with the preliminary audit reports. Toot commented on the cost of an outside audit to the county. Sanders would like to see full participation from the other funders, but the County would initially fund up to \$1,000 for the audit. Clinton reported on guidelines and procedures. Toot stated the county has a fiduciary responsibility. Clinton stated this action will set a precedent. Sanders moved, Toot seconded the approval of resolution #12-95, for Story County to undertake a preliminary assessment of the compliance with financial and other terms included in the contracts between Community & Family Resources (CFR), the Richmond Center & Story County. Roll call vote. (MCU)

IV. Process For Evaluation And Consideration Of Future TIF Projects - Rick Sanders

Sanders reported on conversations with Steve Owen, Assistant Attorney, on formalizing a TIF evaluation process to determine allocation of TIF funds. He summarized the three(3) current TIF projects: paving a quarter mile of 590th, adding two bike lanes on Country Club Rd. south of Nevada, and refurbishing Dakins Lake near Zearing. Clinton commented on the process to identify possible projects throughout the county and potential work sessions. Sanders gave background on establishing a timeline and a mechanism to determine how TIF funds are spent, and the need for citizen input and support. Toot stated the Board can use its liaison duties to elicit input from the community.

- V. Consideration Of Resolution #12-99, To Set A Public Hearing On A Tax Increment Revenue Loan Agreement In A Principal Amount Not To Exceed \$500,000

Sanders gave background. Toot moved, Sanders seconded the approval of Resolution #12-99 to set a public hearing on a tax increment revenue loan agreement in a principal amount not to exceed \$500,000 for Tuesday, May 29, 2012. Roll call vote. (MCU).

7. AGENCY REPORTS:

- I. Heartland Senior Services - Liz Beck

Liz Beck, Executive Director, reported on 2011 statistics, strategic plan and process, facility needs, increased public awareness, and analysis of services. This year's focus will be on adult daycenter, outreach, and nutrition and transportation services. Clinton commented on transportation issues with the Heart of Iowa Regional Transit Agency (HIRTA).

8. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

- I. Juvenile Court - Shirley Faircloth

Shirley Faircloth, Juvenile Court Officer IV, reported on state and county budgets, juvenile court judge vacancy, an open Decategorization position, new webcam usage, the average caseload for juvenile court offices (45 clients) and shelter care reduction.

9. LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS & COMMITTEE MEETINGS UPDATES:

Clinton reported the Mental Health Redesign discussion will be presented next.

10. OTHER REPORTS:

- I. Discussion On The Impact Of Mental Health/Disability Services Legislation - Deb Schildroth/Gayla Harken

Deb Schildroth, Director of Community Services, reported on the projected impact of the MH/DD legislation passed during the legislative session. She focused on the appropriations bill, effective July 1, 2012 (FY13). The state "bought out" counties' Medicaid-funded services. For Story County, the state will assume \$3,754,880 in Medicaid expenses but the county will also lose roughly \$4 million of state revenue as of July 1, 2012. Schildroth also spoke about the shift in funding sources, the process for disputed state bills, the Mental Health Institutes (MHI) process, and legal settlement. Schildroth discussed her proposed department reductions. Proposed cuts include reducing non-Medicaid services, establishing waiting lists, keeping rates at the FY12 level, reducing the qualification standard to 150% of the poverty level (matches state standard), reimbursing only for involuntary hospitalizations, not filling a vacant position, cutting basic needs program, and cutting a reserved hospital bed at Mary Greeley. Proposed cuts also entail reducing funding to three providers: National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), The Arc of Story County, and Legal Aid. Proposed reductions total of \$218,000. Gayla Harken, Community Life Program (CLP) Administrator, reported on proposed department reductions. Cost-cutting measures included not filling vacancies and halting supported community living applications for apartments. Proposed reductions total \$400,000. Clinton asked for clarification on blended services. Schildroth reported the legislation revises FY13 budget, reducing it by \$4.3 million from the county's certified budget. Sanders asked for clarification of department cuts and the state transition funding to be received in early calendar 2013. Clinton asked about the possibility of delaying payments to the state. Harken stated that the counties may apply for transition funding in October but it will not be available until January 2013 at the earliest. Toot commented on the possibility of the county loaning funds from General Fund to pay for mental health services and then not receiving the funds to repay it. Transition funds may never be made available. Sanders thinks the county needs to focus on changing spending practices for FY14 and beyond. Schildroth commented on the possible formation of regions and the state equalizing funding to counties. Lisa Markley, Assistant Auditor, reported that in the first quarter of FY13, mental health expenses for payroll alone are \$1.2 million and expected revenues are zero. Schildroth reported on the transitional committee created by the Department of Human Services (DHS). DHS will also promulgate rules of implementation. Clinton commented on the impact of larger counties reducing services. Sanders asked to meet with the three providers receiving cuts. Sanders asked that other contract organizations be notified of proposed changes. Harken stated the county mental health care plan would need to be modified to change the poverty level percentage. CLP will begin waiting lists and work to minimize the disruption to those clients transitioning from the Richmond Center. Clinton asked for more formalized work sessions to consider changes. Sanders asked Markley to provide more FY13 cashflow analysis. State Representative Lisa Heddens (District 46) spoke about county input and transitional dollars. State Representative Beth Wessel-Kroeschell (District 45) stated her concerns about service cuts and the lack of sufficient transitional dollars. State Representative Dave Deyoe (District 49) spoke about how the county can transition to new practices for FY14 and beyond.

- II. Award Presentation For The Employer Support Of The Guard And Reserve (ESGR) - Brett McLain

Brett McLain, Director of Veteran's Affairs, presented Alissa Wignall with the Beyond and Above Award from ESGR. Wignall was nominated by Luke Jensen of Veterans Affairs.

11. CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS:

- I. Employee Action Form

1) new hire in a) Attorney's Office - intern/temporary effective 5/22/12 for Byron Black @ \$12.00/hr; effective 5/29/12 for Brandon Bohlman @ \$12.00/hr; b) CLP effective 6/4/12 for Meesha Lenning @ \$1303.84/bw; 2) pay adjustment-longevity in a) CLP effective 6/3/12 for Angela Craig @ \$1,306.70/bw;

Kimberly Nicholas @ \$1,924.68/bw; Christi Patterson @ \$1,909.64/bw; (per union contract); Melinda Vandergaast @ \$12.77/hr; b) Facilities Management for Joby Brogden @ \$1,626.67/bw; c) Sheriff's Office (per union contract) for Diane Hobart @ \$1,923.68/bw; Duane Smith @ \$18.12/hr. Toot moved, Sanders seconded the approval of employee action forms. (MCU)

12. CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS:

I. Consideration Of Claims

of \$559,813.45 (run date 05/18/12, 36 pages, on file in the Auditor's Office) and authorize the Auditor to issue checks in payment of these claims and payment requests from School Ready Services (\$22,474.49), Early Childhood (\$6,025.90), CIDTF (\$2,249.16), Homeland Security Region 1 (\$9,249.09), Holding-Seized Funds (\$0), Special Appraiser-Co. Assessor (\$0) Emergency Management (\$559.67), E911 Surcharge (\$11,142.29), County Assessor (\$951.75), City Assessor (\$1,674.87), Special Appraiser-City Assessor (\$2,101.42). Toot moved, Sanders seconded the approval of Claims. (MCU)

13. CONSENT AGENDA:

Toot moved, Sanders seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- I. Consideration Of The FY'13 Provider And Program Participation Agreement With The Following ASSET Providers:
- II. Consideration Of The Re-Appointment Of Harlan Borton As Commissioner Of Veterans Affairs For A 3 Year Term Ending 06/30/15
- III. Consideration Of Purchase Agreement With Ziegler, Altoona, Iowa For The Purchase Of Trail King TK14U Trailer In The Amount Of \$8,516.00
- IV. Consideration Of The FY'13 Provider And Program Participation Agreement With The Following ASSET Providers:
- V. Consideration Of An Agreement Between Story County & Black Box For Periodic Services Effective 7/1/12 - 6/30/13 @ \$29,584.52
- VI. Consideration Of The FY'13 Provider And Program Participation Agreement With The Following ASSET Providers:
- VII. Consideration Of The FY'12 Provider And Program Participation Agreement With The Following ASSET Provider:
- VIII. Consideration Of Agreement Between Story County And Morphotrak For The Maintenance & Support Of The Livescan Station In The Story County Jail Effective 07/1/12 - 06/30/13 @ \$4,594.00
- IX. Consideration Of The FY'13 Provider And Program Participation Agreement With The Following ASSET Provider:
- X. Acknowledge Receipt Of The Updated Manure Management Plan For Eley Farm, 71645-140th St., Zeiring, IA., SW1/4 Of The SE1/4 Of Sec. 22, T85N R21W, Lincoln Twp, Story County, IA
- XI. Consideration Of Adopt-A-Road Renewal Effective 1/1/12 Thru 12/31/12: A) #11-02 For Gilbert FCCLA Chapter, County Road R50 (Geo. Washington Carver) From 190th Street North To County Road E23 (170th Street)
- XII. Consideration Of Resolution #12-96 To Accept A Donation Of Land To Be Used As A County Conservation Area
- XIII. Consideration Of Service Agreement Between Story County & Communications Engineering Co. (CEC) For Service And Maintenance Of Jail Integrator Equipment Effective 07/01/12 - 6/30/13 (Proprietary Information)
- XIV. Consideration Of Resolution #12-97 Amending Planning And Development Forms A, B, C, D And F To Include The Residential Parcel Subdivision Process. - Leanne Harter
- XV. Consideration Of The Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) With Cerro Gordo County For Precinct Atlas
- XVI. Consideration Of Utility Permit(S) #12-44

Toot moved, Sanders seconded .Motion carried unanimously (MCU) on a roll call vote.

14. PUBLIC FORUM #2: Comments From The Public On Items Not On This Agenda. The Board May Not Take Any Action On The Comments Due To The Requirements Of The Open Meetings Law, But May Do So In The Future.

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE SUPERVISORS:

None.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

Sanders moved, Toot seconded to adjourn @ 12:45 p.m. (MCU)