

February 18, 2014

The Board of Supervisors of Shelby County, Iowa, met pursuant to law and rules of said board in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Chambers of the Shelby County Courthouse with the following members present: Steve Kenkel, Chairman; Charles Parkhurst, Vice Chairman; Roger Schmitz; and Marsha J. Carter, Clerk.

The Chair asked that any Conflict of Interest be stated concerning any item on the agenda. Kenkel stated that he would abstain from the vote on the approval of the Liquor License for Shelby County Golf Course, because his son is the manager. No other conflicts were stated.

It was moved by Schmitz, seconded by Parkhurst, to approve the agenda. AYES: Kenkel, Parkhurst, Schmitz NAYES: None

It was moved by Parkhurst, seconded by Schmitz, to approve the Minutes of February 4, 2014, as presented. AYES: Kenkel, Parkhurst, Schmitz NAYES: None

It was moved by Parkhurst, seconded by Schmitz, to approve the Claims of January 30, 2014, as listed in the Claims Register. AYES: Kenkel, Parkhurst, Schmitz NAYES: None

Parkhurst reported that Audubon County had agreed to continue the sharing agreement with the Conservation Board for the Naturalist through June 30, 2015.

It was moved by Schmitz, seconded by Parkhurst, to approve the Claims of February 18, 2014, as listed in the Claims Register. AYES: Kenkel, Parkhurst, Schmitz NAYES: None

It was moved by Schmitz, seconded by Parkhurst, to approve the proposal from Heartland Technologies to begin the process of moving all the County's computer servers to the Emergency Operations Center as part of the County's Disaster Preparedness Plan and to approve the purchase of the necessary equipment, software and licensing, as set out in the proposal. AYES: Kenkel, Parkhurst, Schmitz NAYES: None

Karla Focht and Carl Petersen, representing NRCS, updated the Board on the Flood and Erosion Control projects scheduled for the upcoming year.

It was moved by Parkhurst, seconded by Schmitz, to approve the Liquor License for Shelby County Golf Course. AYES: Parkhurst, Schmitz NAYES: None ABSTAIN: Kenkel

It was moved by Schmitz, seconded by Parkhurst, to approve the Business Property Tax Credit applications, as recommended by the County Assessor. AYES: Kenkel, Parkhurst, Schmitz NAYES: None

It was moved by Parkhurst, seconded by Schmitz, to authorize the Auditor to transfer \$8,000 from the Environmental Health Fund to the Capital Fund for future vehicle purchase. AYES: Kenkel, Parkhurst, Schmitz NAYES: None

Dan Ahart, County Engineer, was available to update the Board on activities of the county road crews and the status of current maintenance and construction projects.

It was moved by Schmitz, seconded by Parkhurst, to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-9  
IOWA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS  
ROAD USE TAX FORMULA RECOMMENDATION

WHEREAS, the Iowa Association of County Supervisors recognizes that a high quality transportation system serves as the artery for economic activity and that the condition of the infrastructure in the State of Iowa is a key element for our future economic growth; and

WHEREAS, an integral part of the State of Iowa's Road Use Tax Fund (RUTF) is the fuel tax, which has not been significantly increased since 1989, while maintenance and construction costs have more than doubled during that same timeframe; and

WHEREAS, there have been several state-wide studies completed over the past 10 years identifying the requirement to significantly increase the amount of funding for the administration, maintenance and improvements to our state-wide public roadway system, including the 2006 Road Use Tax Fund (RUTF) study called for by Governor Culver, the 2011 Road Use Tax Fund (RUTF) study completed per 2011 Iowa Code Section 307.31, and the 2011 Governor's Transportation 2020 Citizen Advisory Commission (CAC) created by Governor Branstad; and

WHEREAS, the 2008 TIME-21 study documented the fact that under today's funding structure and highway usage, over 20% of the travel done in Iowa is by out-of-state drivers while only 13% of the state's road use revenues come from out of state drivers; and

WHEREAS, the funding provided by the implementation of the TIME-21 Fund in 2009 is inadequate to meet the critical maintenance and improvements needs for the State of Iowa's transportation system; and

WHEREAS, 95% of Road Use Tax Fund revenues are required by the Iowa Constitution to be spent only on our roadways; and

WHEREAS, due to the severe shortage in state funding to meet the critical needs of our roadway system, several Iowa counties have had to resort to issuing almost \$100 million in bonds to pay for their most critical maintenance needs, which will have to be paid off through property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 Governor's Transportation 2020 Citizen Advisory Council report to Governor Branstad and the Iowa Legislature identified the need for \$215 million per year of increased funding over the next 20 years, in addition to the funding being provided by the TIME-21 revenues, just to meet the most critical needs of our transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Roads Association, the Iowa County Engineer's Association, and numerous business related associations throughout Iowa have publically supported the call for increased RUTF funding;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Iowa State Association of County Supervisors and the Shelby County Board of Supervisors strongly encourages the implementation of the 2011 Citizen's Advisory Council's recommendations to:

1. Increase the state fuel tax rates across the board by ten cents, over a period of no less than three years, resulting in an estimated \$184 million to \$230 million of additional annual revenue.

2. Increase the "Fee for New Registration" from five percent to six percent, raising this fee to a level consistent with the state sales tax, resulting in an estimated \$50 million of additional annual revenue.
3. Allocate new funding to go to the TIME-21 Fund up to the cap (\$225 million) and the remaining new funding should be distributed consistent with the Road Use Tax Fund distribution formula.

And, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the Iowa State Association of County Supervisors and the Shelby County Board of Supervisors support the ongoing evaluation of creative, supplemental solutions to increased RUTF funding.

Passed and approved this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014.

AYES: Kenkel, Parkhurst, Schmitz NAYES: None

There being no further business appearing, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

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Steve Kenkel, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Marsha J. Carter  
Clerk to the Board of Supervisors

NOTE: These minutes are as recorded by the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors and are subject to Board approval at the next regular meeting.