

The Adams County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 am on Tuesday, March 22, 2016, with the following members present: Karl McCarty, Linda England, Leland Shipley, Doug Birt, and Merlin Dixon. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson England. The agenda for the day was read and approved.

Conrad Wilkinson of Country Haven shared with the board plans to convert the Country Haven residential care facility from single rooms to apartment/dorm style rooms to better accommodate clients. The change would result in a decreased number of clients Country Haven would be able to serve but would also give them more responsibilities. The board asked for quotes and more details on the proposed conversions and the financial impact.

Shipley moved, seconded by Birt to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Adams County and the Iowa Department of Corrections regarding the housing of female inmates. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Sheriff Johannes discussed with the board an employee's vacation time that was forfeited due to not being used in accordance with the hand book. No action was taken.

Jayne Templeton of Miltner Insurance Agency presented to the Board the health insurance rates for the upcoming year beginning July 1, 2016. There will be a rate increase of approximately 11% for the two plans. Jayne provided a couple different quotes, but none of them compared to the current plan the county is on.

Mike Miltner of Miltner Insurance Agency presented to the Board Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (ICAP) grants that are available to ICAP members. The grants, of up to \$1000, could be used for select loss control and/or risk management items. The board directed the Auditor's office to present a plan for a grant application.

Shipley moved, seconded by Birt to support Adams County as a designated Home Base Community, to provide two Home Base Community signs, and to offer a 1 year tax abatement on real estate property taxes to a qualified candidate. The program is designed to help veterans by providing support as delineated by the Home Base Iowa program. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

McCarty moved, seconded by Dixon to proceed with the closure of Railroad Street from Ginkgo East one block on April 23rd, 2016. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Oral committee reports by the supervisors were given as follows: Dixon – WIB in Creston at 7:30 pm on March 21; Shipley – MATURA at 7:00 pm in Creston on March 15 and Home Base Iowa in Corning at 12:00 pm on March 16.

ATTEST: Linda England, Chairperson, Adams County Board of Supervisors
Rebecca Bissell, Adams County Auditor