

September 7, 2004

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the Mahaska County courthouse. Present were the following board members: Chairman Lawrence Rouw; Vice Chairman, Henry W. VanWeelden and Member Greg Gordy. Also present was Christine Ahrens, KBOE Radio, Jerry Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer, Mike Gipple, Mahaska County Conservation Dept.; Howard Gay, Foreman Secondary Road Dept.; Michael F. Moehri, RACOM Corp.; Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor.

Chairman Rouw called the meeting to order with a moment of silence.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the agenda. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the minutes of August 16th. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the bills for August in the amount of \$705,267.90, one denied in the amount of \$267.50 and payroll in the amount of \$406,063.47. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to set October 4, 2004 as the date for public hearing for Area Service Classification of three secondary roads and vacating one at 10:00 a.m. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to set the hearing date for the Comprehensive plan for Mahaska County at 10:00 a.m. on October 18th. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the Monthly Report for July, 2004 and August, 2004 for the Veterans Affairs commission. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to accept the resignations of Emily VandeKeift effective August 17, 2004 and Kerri McCallum effective July 30, 2004 employees of the jail. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to change the employment status of Michael Schakel and Tricia McElderry from part-time hours to full-time at a change of pay to \$23,470.00 effective September 12, 2004. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion of the purchase of the granite columns that were formerly on the Mahaska County courthouse. It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to offer \$2500.00 and for them to be placed on a pallet. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to accept the Quit Claim deed from Patricia Elscott for the following Lot A of Elscott's Subdivision of part of Lot two of the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 17, Township 75, Range 15 West of the 5th P.M. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to proceed with advertisement for an employee in the IRVM Department with the deadline for applications to be October 15th at 4:00 p.m. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to appoint Richard P. Venter to the Veterans Affairs Commission to fill the unexpired term ending June 30, 2006. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to purchase a Caterpillar motor grader from Ziegler, Inc. for \$143,200.00. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion of the Eveland Access bridge report. Snyder and Associates had inspected the bridge and recommended that a weight limit of 27 tons be imposed.

Snyder and Associates reviewed the condition of the railroad underpass near the New Sharon School and supported the Engineer's decision to close the underpass to vehicle traffic.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to accept the recommendation of the engineer to award the bid to Manatt's Inc. Division 1 Project L-RL22-04(01)-04 and Division 2 (Project L-SP28-16(02)-04 in the amount of \$177,702.20. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the Resolution of Support on Farm-to-Market Road Use Tax distributions. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the following Entrance Resolution. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

ENTRANCE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: The Board of Supervisors is empowered under authority of Section 309.67 of the Code of Iowa to establish policies and provide adequate funds to properly maintain the secondary road system, and

WHEREAS: The Board of Supervisors desire to establish a policy for the installation of entrances to land abutting county highways under their supervision.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors that the following items establish a County Policy:

1. No new entrance, relocation or extension of an existing entrance shall be constructed without the approval of the County Engineer or his Authorized Representative with respect to location, pipe size, pipe length, entrance slope, side slope, drainage, and stopping and sight distance. Minimum pipe size, if required, shall be 15 in. diameter. Dry fills shall be constructed with a minimum of 4" diameter perforated tile. Pipe type shall be new corrugated metal pipe (CMP) or other as approved by the County Engineer. Pipe length shall be such that the drive top will be 20 ft. minimum for all entrances. See appendix "A" for minimum required sight distance and side slopes. The property owner shall furnish the pipe necessary for the required slope. The County shall only surface residential entrances up to the right-of-way line ONLY AFTER the property owner has surfaced the remainder of the entrance. In no case shall the County surface any portion of an entrance off the County right-of-way. Resurfacing costs, if any, of an entrance relocated by the County shall be paid for by the County.
2. The County shall replace existing entrances as necessary during reconstruction of a road. The County may eliminate or alter existing dangerous entrances as necessary.
3. No new entrance shall be constructed, or an existing entrance relocated or widened until the Property Owner has:
 - a) Filed an Application for Permit on forms provided by the County
 - b) Paid the \$25.00 Non-Refundable Fee,
 - c) Received approval from the County Engineer or his Authorized Representative, and
 - d) Furnished the necessary approved pipe or tile, or paid in advance to the County the cost of same.
4. The County shall have the right to remove any new entrance constructed after adopting this resolution that does not satisfy the requirements listed above. Costs of removal shall be charged to the property owner.
5. On all secondary roads, the County will maintain entrance surfacing only where it is a matter of public safety.

Passed and Approved this 7th day of September, 2004

MAHASKA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Lawrence Rouw - Chairman

Henry W. VanWeelden – member

Greg Gordy- member

ATTEST:

Kay Swanson-Mahaska County Auditor

It was discussed to hire McCulley Culvert to do some bridge work on Dill Drive, Galeston Ave. and concrete pier repair in the 2000 block of Teller Avenue over Middle Creek.

The engineer discussed inspection results from Snyder & Associates on bridge repairs. 1. Co. line road; 2. East Des Moines Township Section 8, 3. Jefferson Twp. Sections 17 & 18.

At 11:30: Discussion of the purchase of communications equipment with Michael F. Moehri of RACOM.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the purchase of the Radio System from RACOM for \$163,236.00 for the Secondary Road Department. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion of indigent burial spaces was that the board was not interested in a cemetery plot outside of Mahaska County for burials.

No action was taken on the matter of insurance for newborns.

The board drew the names of the candidates for the nonpartisan offices to be listed on the General Election ballot as per code 49.31 (2).

Soil and Water Conservation Commission: Bryan Molyneux; Robert Oldham; Florence Rempe.

Lynndana Sanitary Sewer District: Mary Ann Coppinger; Jon Sullivan.

County Agriculture Extension Council: Allen VanDeKrol; Arvin DeBoef; Kim J.Dorn; Edd Elder; and Bruce Vroegh.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to adjourn. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Lawrence Rouw, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

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