

**April 2, 2007**

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on the above date 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; member – Greg Gordy. Also present were the following: Scott Manthe, Oskaloosa Herald; Scott Dailey, KBOE Radio; Don DeHeer; Joleen Arnold, Mahaska County CPC; Sue Brown and Linda Forsythe, members of the Employees Health Insurance Committee; Jerome Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer; Iola VanderWilt, Gene and Ellouise Meinders; and Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor.

Chairman Rouw opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

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

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the minutes for March 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the bills for March in the amount of \$966,398.24 and payroll in the amount of \$607,474.49. None denied. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to accept the audit for fiscal year ending 2006 from Hunt, Kain & Associates P.C.. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The matter of a letter of support for the Mahaska Health Partnership Hospice House was tabled until next meeting.

The insurance committee discussed the changes that they had proposed at last meeting. Mr. Gordy requested that they be put on the agenda for next meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April.

The office space for Community Services was tabled until later date.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to have Area 15 Regional Planning Commission start the proceedings for the FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grant program. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

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

## RESOLUTION-MODIFIED

WHEREAS, Senators Rielly and Noble, Chair and Ranking Member respectively of the Transportation Committee, are seeking input concerning transportation needs with public meetings that are being held throughout the state; AND

WHEREAS, the Road Use Tax Fund is an important source of support for construction and maintenance projects at the city, county and state level; AND

WHEREAS, an integral part of the R.U.T.F. is the fuel tax, which has not increased since 1989, and during that timeframe construction costs have more than doubled; AND

WHEREAS, the Iowa Good Roads Association, the Iowa County Supervisor's Association, the Iowa County Engineer's Association and consortium of additional public and private individuals and organizations, had promoted the TIME-21 program (Transportation Investment Moves the Economy in the 21st Century) to underscore that steady deterioration of the construction dollar; AND

WHEREAS, the current distribution formula closely matches the split of transportation needs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Mahaska County Board of Supervisors recognized the vital role that our transportation system performs for Iowa and encourages the legislature to consider funding alternatives to increase the revenue to the Road Use Tax Fund, with the modification of using the existing distribution formula (State 47.5% Counties 32.5% and Cities 20%).

RESOLVED THIS 2 DAY OF APRIL, 2007

The engineer's contract for employment was tabled until April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to open the public hearing for a proposed Agricultural Area in Black Oak Township. Property is owned by the following: Iola J. Vanderwilt Revocable Trust by Iola J. VanderWilt, Trustee; Gene Meinders; Ellouise Meinders and Ann Marie Rouwenhorst. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

There were no written comments. Chairman Rouw had received one verbal comment opposing this Agricultural Area.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to close the public hearing. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the Agricultural Area on the following property owned by Ann Marie Rouwenhorst: The Southeast Quarter of Section 15, Township 76 Range 17, the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter all in Section 15, Township

76 Range 17; and on property owned by Iola J. Vanderwilt, Revocable Trust, Iola J. Vanderwilt, Trustee: The North half of the Northeast Quarter and the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and Lot One (1) of the Subdivision of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter all in Section 22, Township 76 Range 17; and on property owned by Gene and Ellouise Meinders: The Southeast of the Northwest and the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter in Section 15, Township 76, Range 17 in Black Oak Township. Roll call vote: Gordy – aye; Rouw – aye; VanWeelden – aye. Motion carried.

The matter of the shared driveway was discussed. The engineer had estimated costs to black top the area. The owners will take it to the City Planning and Zoning meeting.

The engineer will get bids for the motor grader and trade in the Deere motor grader.

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

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Lawrence Rouw, Chairman  
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor