

November 5, 2007

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met on the above date 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 were the following: Scott Dailey, KBOE Radio; Wes Kappelman, Oskaloosa Herald; Sheriff Paul DeGeest; Donald K. Bringle, Consolidated Correctional Food Service; Trevor Wells, Deputy Sheriff; Don DeKock, Deputy Sheriff; Members of the public: Duane Vos, Iola VanderWilt, Vernon VanGorp, Beverly Nugteren, Jan VanderWert, Loren VanderWert, Patricia Wichhart, Jerry VanderWert, Marie VanderWert, Robert Rouwenhorst, Ann Rouwenhorst, Carl VanDonselaar, Jimmy Carter, Wesley Wills, Jerry M. Strunk, Randall Wright, Sam Looney, Donald K. Bruinge, Steph Vos, Chris Hyland, Lila Turnbull, Don DeHeer, Lyle Seiferling Randy Irwin; Miranda Johnson, Jon Sullivan; Phyllis Kelsey, Eddyville Historical Museum; Nick Trimberger, Area 15 Regional Planning Commission; and Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor. This meeting was filmed by Communications Research Institute of William Penn University.

Chairman Rouw opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the agenda with the addition of appointment to William Penn University Advisory Board and to table the following items: Tax abatement – City of New Sharon; Bicycling signing motion; and Stop sign resolution. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the minutes for October 15th. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the bills for October in the amount of \$781,032.44 and payroll in the amount of \$439,924.18. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Sheriff Paul DeGeest and Donald K. Bringle from Consolidated Correctional Food Service discussed the meals at the jail with the board. Sheriff DeGeest said they would be purchasing meals from Consolidated Correctional Food Service beginning around the first of January. The meals will be prepared at the jail and the company will provide the labor and supplies.

Phyllis Kelsey from the Eddyville Historical Museum discussed with the board matching funds needed for them to get a grant to build a new facility. The City of Eddyville has given \$1000.00; and Wapello County has given \$5000.00. The matter was tabled until November 19th meeting.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to appoint the following to the Mahaska County Solid Waste Commission for a one year term beginning January 1, 2008: Greg Gordy; Alan DeBruin; Peggy Wright and Mark Jackson. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the renewal application for liquor license for Peppertree located at 2274 Highway 63, Oskaloosa. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the quarterly report for the first quarter of fiscal year 2008 for the County Recorder. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the recommendation of Troy Bemis, Mahaska County Maintenance Director to approve the maintenance contract for elevator service with Kone Elevators for five years. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the request of the Oskaloosa Area Chamber & Development Group to open the public restrooms for the Lighted Christmas Parade on November 20th and 30th. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the contract for grant application assistance and Area 15 Regional Planning Commission. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Lyle VanderMeiden had presented the board a petition to reconsider the appointment to the Pella Planning and Zoning Commission they had made on October 15th. The appointment will remain as appointed on October 15th for the unexpired term ending April 30, 2012.

The next item on the agenda was the Pella airport contingency site. Chairman Rouw read aloud the letter the board received from the City of Pella. Several members of the audience had requested time to speak on this issue. Chairman Rouw gave each one two minutes of time. After discussion with the audience and the board members it was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to table the matter until November 19th meeting. Vote – two aye – one nay. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to deny the bill for trenching from DeBruin Trenching, Inc. for work done on the pond owned by Carl Veldhuizen unless he can bring documentation that the county would be responsible. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the request of the Auditor to pay poll workers a \$5.00 payment for use of their cell phones on election day (one per precinct) All present voted aye. Motion carried.

More information was needed for the appointment to the William Penn Advisory Board. Tabled until later date.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the request of Joleen Arnold, Mahaska County CPC to continue with the contracts with Ottumwa Regional Health Center, Inc. along with Wapello County. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The matter of the rental agreement for Community Services was tabled until November 19th.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to approve the request of Joleen Arnold, Mahaska County CPC to change Sharon Watson to a full time employee for Case Management beginning November 5, 2007 at an hourly rate of \$15.61 per hour plus benefits. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the base rate for Christian Opportunity Center for supported employment effective November 1, 2007. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

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

Lawrence Rouw, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor