

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
August 1, 2017

The Board of Supervisors of Pocahontas County, Iowa, met in regular session pursuant to adjournment.

Members present: Chairman, Jeffrey Ives; Supervisors, Clarence Siepker, Louis Stauter, Ed Dewey, JoAnn Peters; and Auditor Kelly Jepsen.

The minutes of July 25, 2017 were approved as presented on motion by Peters, seconded by Siepker. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion of possible Level B Road closing in Garfield 8-17 and Garfield 9-16 under Jack Moellering. Ayes all, motion carried.

Acting as Trustees for DD 41 Br. 32, it was moved by Siepker, seconded by Stauter, to approve the clean out and annexation. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Siepker, seconded by Peters, to acknowledge receipt of Amendment #1 to the Engineer's Report on DD 41 Br. 18 & 19. Ayes all, motion carried.

Chase Nevins and Mark Simonson from Access Systems presented the services they have to offer the County. They are a managed service company that provides office technology services, which includes IT support and hardware, copiers, printers and phone systems. The Board would like Jepsen to talk with the department heads to see if what the interest level is.

Larry Tolan requested a tax abatement of \$1,199.65 plus current year taxes and drainage of \$25.00 on E 60' IN E PT Lot 2 in Fonda that he has been taking care of for many years. Sarah Winkler, County Treasurer explained the taxes have not been paid since 2002. Tolan believes he will be able to get a quit claim deed from current owner. It was moved by Stauter seconded by Dewey, to abate the taxes on this property subject to Tolan taking deed with a quit claim deed. The drainage assessment will stand. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Dewey, to approve payment for Jt. DD 173-67, pay estimate #1 for \$48,769.20 and change order #1 for \$340.00, to Ingraham Construction Inc. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Peters, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plans: (1) Bruce Wheatley Turkey Facility – ID# 66824 located in the NW NE, Section 25, Grant Township with Bruce Wheatley as owner & contact person; (2) PI-229 – ID# 64827 located in the NW NW, Section 21, Belleville Township with Prestage Farms of Iowa, LLC. as owner & Dennis Benning as contact person; (3) K.E.B. Farms, Inc. – ID# 62383 located in the NE NW, Section 2, Cummins Township with David Besch as owner & contact person; (4) Christiansen Turkey Site – ID# 64034 located in the SE NE, Section 22, Newell Township, BV Co. with Dale Christiansen as owner & contact person; (5) Kenny Pedersen – ID# 58221 located in the SW SE, 21-93-33, Cummins Township with Kenny Pedersen as owner & contact person; (6) Lenz Poultry Inc. – ID# 58877 located in the SE SW, Section 4, Belleville Township with Phillip Lenz as owner & contact person; (7) Hess Farms – ID# 66286 located in the NW NE, Section 30, Colfax Township with Tim Hess & Dennis Hess as owner & Twin Lakes Env. Services, LLC as contact; (8) Skog Robert. – ID# 57844 located in the NE NE, Section 36, Fairfield Township, BV Co. with Bob Skog as owner & contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jepsen informed the Board that she had received a letter from the IRS waiving the penalty of \$15,500 fine for the late filing of the 2012 W-2's. She went on to explain that the drainage assessments were mailed out that morning, the real estate taxes had been certified and sent out for printing. Ives thanked the Auditor, her staff, and the County Attorney, Dan Feistner, for all their hard work in getting the penalty abated and congratulated her for getting the drainage assessments out and taxes certified.

Next, the Board discussed the software contract and managed plan the County currently has with Solutions, Inc. It was moved by Peters, seconded by Siepker, to approve the Licensed Code Support Agreement for Software in the amount of \$37,130.00. Ayes all, motion carried. It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Siepker, to approve the Information Technology Services Agreement, Statement of Work with Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$15,912.00. Peters asked if Solutions would do a six month contract. After further discussion, Dewey and Siepker withdrew their motion. The Board requested that Jepsen contact Solutions, Inc. to determine if a six month contract was possible and the cost.

It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Peters, to authorize the Chairman to sign the N65 Contract with Manatt's Inc. in the amount of \$3,410,843.64. Ayes all, motion carried.

Gary Atherton, drainage clerk, discussed a quote from B & W Control Specialist for tree and brush control on the CREP wetlands in DD 65. Jepsen will add it to next week's agenda so the Board can take action.

Next, Atherton and the Board discussed concerns with removing trees in Jt. DD 143, where there are roots in the tiles. The Board suggested that Atherton help the landowner understand the importance of taking care of this issue right away instead of waiting until after harvest.

Ives had been contacted by landowners about Garfield 8-17 and Garfield 9-17. Ives reviewed the current situation of both areas with the Board and feels the County should hold meetings to put plans in place that most land owners agree upon. Garfield 9-17 is still usable but if it gets condemned, then the County can react quickly. Ives requested Jepsen to put on next week's agenda for more discussion.

Weekly meetings: Ives–Solid Waste, drainage concerns and Level B Road discussion; Peters–Solid Waste, Second Judicial conference call, and Midas; Stauter–drainage and driveway concerns; Siepker–Workforce Development conference call, County Social Services and drainage concerns; Dewey–Safety Meeting and Home Health concerns. All members were present at DD 41 Br 32 Informational Meeting.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Jeffrey Ives, Chairman

Kelly Jepsen, Auditor