

Supervisors Room, Courthouse  
Pocahontas, Iowa  
September 4, 2018

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, and JoAnn Peters; and Auditor, Kelly Jepsen.

The minutes of August 28, 2018 were approved as presented on motion by Peters, seconded by Dewey. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve the tentative agenda as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

Ron Hanson and Craig Aljets, landowners in Jt. DD 43-72, presented pictures of the dredge ditch by the new bulk head and the ditch banks showing all the erosion that had occurred prior to all the rain in the spring and since the improvement was completed in the fall of 2017. The Board requested that Gary Atherton, Assistant to the Engineer and Drainage Clerk, contact Jon Rosengren, Engineer from Bolton & Menk, send him the pictures and request that he meet with Hanson. Then, Rosengren will need to address the Board with a resolution to this problem. Full minutes can be found in the appropriate drainage book in the Auditor's Office.

The Board discussed a letter they received from Bill Fultcher, landowner in Jt. DD 18-42 concerning a drainage waiver. It was moved by Siepker, seconded by Peters, to authorize the Chairman to sign a response letter drafted by the Treasurer. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Peters, seconded by Stauter, to accept the resignation of Jessica Zuetlau, full time Home Care Aide, effective August 31, 2018. Ayes all, motion carried.

Shari Kastein, Executive Director of Family Crisis Center, explained that Family Crisis Center provides free and confidential services to victims of domestic violence and human trafficking in Pocahontas County. They offer advocacy, housing, child-advocacy, 24-hour support, and they work with each victim individually to assist with their individual needs. Currently, they are serving 29 clients from Pocahontas County, and Kastein is willing to come speak to different groups in Pocahontas County about the services they offer. The Board thanked her for coming and for the work they provide to our residents.

It was moved by Siepker, seconded by Dewey, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plans: (1) Frank North Wean-Finish Farm – ID# 58276 located in the SE SW, Sec. 23 Cummins Township with Iowa Select Farms, LP as owner & contact person; (2) Sherman Wean-Finisher Farm – ID# 58362 located in the SW NW, Sec. 24 Sherman Township with Iowa Select Farms, LP as owner & contact person; (3) Zaugg 1 Finisher Farm – ID# 67866 located in the NE NW, Sec. 35 Des Moines Township with Hawker Farms, LLC as owner & contact person; and (4) PI 246 Finisher– ID# 64893 located in the SW NW, Sec. 20 Colfax Township with Prestage Farms of Iowa, LLC as owner & Dennis Benning as contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Auditor Jepsen gave an update on the status of an IT evaluation and cybersecurity work that will be taking place.

It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Peters, to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract with Barga, Inc. from Mountain Lake, MN, for joint sealing. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, and Gary Atherton, Assistant to the Engineer and Drainage Clerk, discussed different projects they are working on while Supervisor Stauter requested that they investigate two areas of interest.

Weekly meetings: Ives– trails meeting; Stauter–constituent's concerns; Siepker–Jail Committee, County Social Services and Upper Des Moines; and Peters–Jail Committee and Midas.

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

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Jeffrey Ives, Chairman

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Kelly Jepsen, Auditor