

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, IA June 17, 2014

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

Members present: Chairman Vincent L. Triggs, Louis Stauter, Paul Beneke, Jeffrey K. Ives, Ed Dewey. Also present: Clarence Siepker, Dale Smith, Vicki Truog, Janis Hanson.

The minutes of June 10, 2014 were approved as read with corrections supervisors meetings on motion of Dewey, seconded by Beneke. Ayes all, motion carried.

The tentative agenda was approved as amended on motion of Stauter, seconded by Beneke to include Janis Hanson and Stauter has informational items to present. Ayes all, motion carried.

Vicki Truog, Sec for Asst. County Attorney advised the board Ann Beneke, County Attorney had to leave for a court hearing and advised she would return following the hearing.

Janis Hanson, former employee advised she has been questioned many times why she is not working and she has stated she is retired and the individuals are saying you are not retired because it was not in the board minutes. It was moved by Ives, seconded by Dewey to officially recognize the retirement of Janis Hanson with the last date of work being November 8, 2014 and to recognize her 30 years of employment with Pocahontas County. Ayes all, motion carried.

The board reviewed the salary recommendations submitted by the department administrators for payroll purposes beginning July 1, 2014 for the FY2015 budget. It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Ives to approve the salaries as filed with the auditor. Ayes all, motion carried.

The elected officers wages were previously approved as recommended by the County Compensation Board as follows: County Attorney Ann Beneke, \$60,865; County Sheriff Robert Lampe, \$69,780; County Auditor Margene Bunda, County Treasurer Sarah Winkler and County Recorder each to be paid \$52,292; Board of Supervisors \$26,205 with the chairman to receive an additional \$1,000. County Engineer, Jack Moellering, \$87,250; Assistant Engineer: Walter Davis-Oeth, \$65,437; Maintenance Superintendent: Don Cirks, \$65,437; Shop Foreman: Kelvin Aljets, \$52,350; Auditor's Office: Stacie Smith, \$13.00/hr.; Karen Halder, \$13.00/hr.; Karen Fagerness, \$13.00/hr; Deputy Treasurer: Julie Waterman, \$41,834; Tax Deputy: Mary Weber, \$36,604; Rita Sennert, \$34,094; Denise Krischel, \$31,850; Chief Deputy Sheriff: Brian Larsen, \$59,321; Deputy Recorder: Catherine Frerk, \$44,448; Conservation Director: Brian Reis, \$60,565; Operations Supervisor: Kyle Scheidegger, \$51,201; Mnt Tech: Joe Zeman, \$38,453; Roadside Biologist: Aaron Samuelson, \$30,470; Naturalist: Corinne Peterson, \$35,109; Jill Hubbell \$13.75/hr.; Public Health Adm.: Pat Alexander, \$28.02/hr.; Diane Ferguson, \$25.03/hr.; Betsy Dahl, \$20.10/hr.; Sherri Richardson, computer operator, \$21.42/hr.; Environmental Health Specialist: David Stall, \$16.32/hr.; Human Services: Orene Cressler, \$13,818; Administrative Assistant: Kelly Jepsen, \$16.00/hr.; Service Coordinator: Lisa Peterson, \$18.82/hr.; Marilyn Myers, \$9.00/hr.(paid by claim); Veterans Affairs: Orene Cressler, \$20,726; Veterans Affairs Commissioners - \$50.00/meeting. Custodian: Robert Harrison, \$15.97/hr.; Weed Commission: Mel Bierl, \$3,970/yr.; Zoning Administrator: 16.32/hr.; Assistant County Attorney: Ashley Bennett, \$61,200; Sec./Vicki Truog, \$15.30/hr.; Home Care Aide Agency: Director/Case Manager; Jill Conlin, \$48,050; Office Manager: Beverly Trumpold, \$47,740; Vicki Ricklefs, \$35,365; Kathy Simacek, \$17.55/hr.; Karen Vader, \$16.45/hr.; Jackie Bunda, \$16.25/hr.; Paulette Zaugg, \$15.35/hr.; Sue Cash, \$13.35/hr.; Jamie Wolcott, \$12.50/hr. Assessor: Sue Reigelsberger, \$57,000; JoAnn Peters, \$30,000; Eileen Hornor, \$37,100; PCEDC Executive Director: Tom Grau, \$78,800; EMA/911 Coordinator: Russell Jergens, \$38,000.

The Sheriff's and Secondary Road Departments union personnel wages for FY 2015 approved pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreements as follows: Union personnel Sheriff's Dept: Deputy Steven Henderson, \$59,071; Deputy Brian Runneberg, \$55,831; Sergeant Steve Nelson, \$57,576; Deputy Joshua Hammen, \$55,831; Deputy Weston VanDonge \$55,831; Office Deputy Charlotte Carlsen,

\$52,342; Communications Supervisor Robert Enockson, \$15.98/hr; Jail Floor Supervisor Deb Hudson, \$15.98/hr; Dispatchers/clerk/jailer: \$15.12/hr; afternoon shift, \$15.22/hr; night shift, \$15.37/hr.; Pt-time transport officer, \$13.00/hr. Union personnel of Secondary Road Dept: Tile Crew, \$19.02/hr.; Equipment Operator, \$18.92/hr.; Patrol Operator/Truck Driver, \$18.65/hr; Inventory Clerk, \$18.75/hr.; Sign Technician, \$18.99/hr; Mechanic I, \$19.99/hr.; Mechanic II, \$19.89/hr; Inspector I, \$19.32/hr.; Inspector II, \$19.03/hr.; Sec./Bookkeeper, \$18.75/hr.

It was moved by Ives, seconded by Dewey to acknowledge receipt of the Manure Management Plan for Delmar & Shawn Burke facility ID # 58173 located in SE SE, Section 32, Colfax Township with Delmar Burke as owner and Steve Determan as contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Brad Leckrone, County Social Services Director advised the board he is resigning his position with the counties of Wright, Humboldt, and Pocahontas County with his last day of employment being July 25, 2014. He is in the process of developing a plan for the counties prior to his last day of employment. He advised the State of Iowa is backing away from provider services and is expecting those services to be provided by the counties. The regional group is providing some of the services in the more populated areas and evaluating the development of services for the rural areas that will best fit their needs. He advised he has enjoyed his time working with and for the counties and will be working for the IT company that provides services to the regional CSS counties networking their computer systems allowing all counties proper communication capabilities. A formal letter of resignation will be forthcoming. The Board thanked Brad for his efforts in transitioning the counties into the regional process and maintaining the local office services.

It being 10:45 a.m. the board proceeded with the Bid Letting for Drainage District 29B with Jon Rosengren, P.E. Drainage Engineer for the project. The minutes are recorded in the appropriate drainage records.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer advised he has received only one bid for the fuel letting as follows: Pro Coop, Pocahontas bid 7.5 cent mark up above daily pricing per gallon of fuel purchased with an additional 2 cent markup for winter additives. The allowable mark up for fuel is 8 cents per gallon. It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Beneke to accept the bid of Pro Coop. Ayes all, motion carried.

Moellering advised he has had a request from RTS farms to place a tile in the right of way in Section 6, Sherman Township. He has the written documentation from the landowner whose private tile is being connected to this tile, however he does not have the agreement from RTS farms. It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Ives to table action until agreement has been received. Ayes all, motion carried.

Moellering advised he also has not received any information from the asphalt company regarding the asphalt work that needs to be completed on the various roadways.

Moellering advised he has received a request from a landowner to apply his own lignin for dust control in front of his acreage. The board advised they are okay with the individual making application if the appropriate product is applied, they provide a certificate of insurance to the county, with up to four (4) applications applied per year and the county provides no subsidy for these applications.

Jon Rosengren, P.E. Engineer with Bolton and Menk of Spencer advised the board all the bid tabs were correct. It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Dewey to accept the low bid of \$191,641.50 by Healy Excavating of Lake View for the D.D. 29 project. Ayes all, motion carried.

The Board reviewed the need for a drainage assessment for Jt. D.D. 85 with Palo Alto County. There are outstanding warrants and claims against the district of \$114,192.72 with insufficient funds to pay said claims. It was moved by Palo Alto County Supervisor Ron Graettinger and seconded by Louis Stauter, Pocahontas County Supervisor to set a 1850% levy against all lands in the district and will become due with current property taxes September 30, 2014. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Beneke to set a 270% levy against all lands in Drainage District 50 with 10 year Waiver and Installments with 5% interest to be due with real estate taxes

September 30, 2014 to pay the \$37,233.09 in claims and outstanding warrants against the district. Ayes all, motion carried.

Ann Beneke, County Attorney advised she was coming before the board for Ashley Bennett, Asst. County Attorney whose laptop computer does not work. The computer was purchased from Solutions, Inc of Spencer and appears to be a "lemon" noted Ann. Auditor Bunda provided repair orders from Solutions noting that none of the repairs indicate this is a defective computer. Supervisor Dewey stated they should replace the computer. Auditor Bunda advised she will purchase this laptop computer from the County Attorney's office as her old laptop has the Windows XP system that is no longer supported and this will allow for the Asst. County Attorney to purchase a computer of her own choice. It was moved by Ives, seconded by Dewey to authorize Asst. County Attorney Bennett to seek quotes for a new computer and present to the board. Ayes all, motion carried.

Auditor Bunda advised the publications for the annexation and reclassification hearings for Drainage Districts No. 48 and 81 have been delayed to establish clarification in procedures for the future of these districts and need to reschedule the hearing dates. It was moved by Beneke, seconded by Ives to set July 17, 2014 for the hearings to begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the Courthouse. Ayes all, motion carried.

Auditor Bunda provided a packet of information as requested from Solutions by Supervisor Ives for the Solutions Managed Services provided to Pocahontas County.

Supervisor Stauter advised of concerns with the Environmental Health process for well permits. Stauter advised the issues have been resolved for this situation but indicated the response time and process may be a matter for the Board of Health to review in the near future.

Supervisors Weekly Meetings: Supervisor Triggs attended the Jt. 183 drainage meeting. Supervisor Beneke attended the DeCat and Empowerment board meetings, and tended to drainage concerns. Stauter attended the Jt. 183 drainage meeting, Conservation Board meeting as liaison, and tended to drainage and well concerns. Dewey attended the Jt. 183 drainage meeting and EMA meeting. Ives attended the Jt 183 drainage meeting and tended to drainage concerns.

There being no further business the board adjourned on motion of Ives, seconded by Dewey.

Vincent L. Triggs, Chairman

Margene A. Bunda, County Auditor