

Supervisors Room, Courthouse  
Pocahontas, IA June 16, 2015

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

Members present: Chairman Louis Stauter, Clarence Siepker, JoAnn Peters, Jeffrey K. Ives, Ed Dewey.

The minutes of June 9, 2015 were approved as presented on motion of Dewey, seconded by Siepker. Ayes all, motion carried.

The tentative agenda was approved as amended on motion of Ives, seconded by Siepker. Ayes all, motion carried.

The Board proceeded with the first reading of Ordinance No. 36 for the health and welfare of the public during the RAGBRAI event. The affidavits of publication are on file with the auditor and there are no written or verbal objections received. It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Peters to approve the first reading and set the second hearing for June 16, 2015. Ayes all, motion carried.

Dan Duitscher of Dutchland Dairy presented the expansion process they are proposing for the Dairy. The construction permit has been filed with the auditor and the DNR. At some time they are proposing the addition of another 200 cows. The proposed irrigation system will allow for the gray water to be spread on the crops through a droplet system. The irrigator will be set to stay 100 feet back from the road. The dairy spends \$10,000.00 each year for the addition of bacteria to the storage lagoons to keep any odor at bay. The plan is to begin the dirt work for the storage facility this year then to erect the building for the compost storage. There will be three (3) monitoring wells added with one well beyond the storage facility. There will be a public hearing on the proposed expansion in the near future.

Backpocket Brewing Company filed a liquor license for the sale of beer along the RAGBRAI route July 20, 2015. It was moved by Peters, seconded by Siepker to approve the liquor license for Pocahontas County. Ayes all, motion carried.

The Board considered the request for the annual IDDA dues. Supervisor Stauter made the recommendation to not pay our dues for one year to send the message Pocahontas County is not in favor of the actions of IDDA relative to the three county litigation with Des Moines Waterworks. Supervisor Ives suggested dues continue to be paid as Pocahontas County has so much drainage. It was moved by Ives, seconded by Siepker to approve payment of the 48,200 annual dues only and withhold dues to the mutual funds for litigation. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Ives to authorize the chairman to sign the Pay Estimate No. 3 for payment to Rogness Brothers for the construction work on D.D. 8. Ayes all, motion carried.

Lisa Peterson, CSS advised there has been a change to the process of appointing mental health advocates. The counties of Humboldt, Pocahontas, and Wright will meet in Humboldt at 9:00 a.m. next Tuesday to discuss this change.

Lisa Peterson, citizen advised the board at 12:30 a.m. June 9<sup>th</sup>, she called 911 to advise the roof had been blown off their house. She indicated the conversation with the Communications Dispatcher at the sheriff's office was her calling to report there was a tornado and the roof was blown off their house and rain is pouring in can you send someone out. She

was told there was no tornado but he could send a deputy out. She was quite taken back that she was told there was no tornado when her roof was gone from her home. A deputy came about one hour later, looked around and indicated this was just straight line winds and was going to look at other damage. She advised they spent the night in their shop building. On Monday she went to talk to the dispatch supervisor regarding the incident as she believed the protocol was lacking and she advised when you have never experienced a disaster you expect some concern and direction from the 911 dispatcher and felt that was lacking this night. As a person that deals with crisis interventions and people through her employment she felt the people skills were lacking and wanted to express her concerns directly to the source. She described Dispatcher Enockson as confrontational and defensive. She advised she was not angry or upset with anyone, until this time. Sheriff Lampe and Communications Supervisor Sid Enockson were present. Sid noted it was not a tornado. Sheriff Lampe advised the dispatcher that evening was new to the job and Encokson advised the dispatcher reacted as he should have. Sheriff Lampe advised usually with weather alerts, Emergency Management is out checking the weather. In the past that has been our experience and the EMA director checks in with the sheriff's office. This is something we have not had from EMA since the time of Tim McKiernan . Peterson asked of the sheriff and Enockson what is the protocol. Lampe advised the deputy was called and he responded, he checked the damage and then on to check other damage reports and we were told there were electric lines down and that is a safety hazard. Supervisor Dewey stated he was not notified of any damage and he is the chairman of the EMA board. Sheriff Lampe advised it is EMA's job to be out checking on the weather when an alert is received. Supervisor Dewey advised a phone call should be made to EMA. Russ Jergens, EMA Director was not present. Sheriff Lampe advised he will talk to the EMA director.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer presented two (2) bids for pavement markings. Iowa Plains Signing bid \$111,390.83 per the specifications; Vogel Traffic bid \$74,847.64 per the specifications. Vogel has done the markings for a number of years. It was moved by Siepker, seconded by Peters to approve the bid of Vogel Traffic. Ayes all, motion carried.

The culvert contract has not arrived and the action was tabled.

Gary Atherton, Drainage Clerk and Engineer's Asst. advised Schoon's excavator is not capable of dumping the dirt into a dump truck from the drainage ditch. Pederson of Humboldt can do the work at \$135.00 per hour plus \$300.00 for mobilization and he can start either tomorrow or it will be one month. It was moved by Ives, seconded by Dewey to Hire Pederson for the bottom-dipping of D.D. 53, Br 19 at \$135.00 per hour to begin work in one month and to authorize working with Atherton to repair some of the FEMA areas while in the county. Ayes all, motion carried.

Supervisor Siepker discussed the rewriting of the personnel policies and that he has questions and concerns. Auditor Bunda advised we still have two available dates to meet with HR to review the policies page by page. The board members will be available July 1, 2015 to meet with Gruefe. Auditor Bunda will notify Gruefe of the date and time.

Supervisors Weekly Reports: Stauter attended the YES Center board meeting, Fair Board meeting as liaison, and attended JT 35-37 drainage hearing and D.D. 8 drainage hearing. Peters and Siepker attended the two drainage hearings with no other meetings. Dewey attended the drainage hearings and the County Conservation Board meeting as liaison.

Ives attended the County Solid Waste meeting and MIDAS board meeting and had no meetings this past week.

There being no further business the board adjourned on motion of Siepker, seconded by Peters.

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Louis Stauter, Chairman

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Margene A. Bunda, County Auditor