

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: Supervisors-elect – Clarence Siepker, JoAnn Peters and Asst Co. Attorney Bennett.

The minutes of November 25, 2014 were approved as read on motion of Ives, seconded by Dewey. Ayes all, motion carried.

The tentative agenda was approved as amended on motion of Stauter, seconded by Beneke to include the canvass of special election, consider closing of county offices December 26<sup>th</sup>, change date of D.D. 21 hearing. Asst. Co Attorney Bennett addressed the need to include the cell phone policy be placed on the agenda as approved at the November 25, 2014 meeting and in accordance with Roberts Rules. Supervisor Dewey moved to table action on the cell phone policy due to time constraints of this agenda. The Chairman advised there is a motion on the floor to amend the agenda. Asst. Co. Attorney Bennett interjected the actuarial contact also needed to be on the agenda. Stauter moved and Beneke seconded to include the cell phone policy and the actuarial contact to their original motion. The Chairman called for the vote for amending the agenda. Ayes all, motion carried.

The chairman then called for the motion to table action on the cell phone policy. Dewey made the motion to table for another week, seconded by Stauter. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Beneke to table action on the actuarial contact for one week. Ayes all, motion carried.

Steve Trimble, Manager of Palmer Mutual Telephone Company and Sheila Ackridge with NW Telephone & Communications of Havelock presented the cooperative proposal of the two companies to provide broadband internet services within the City of Pocahontas. Trimble advised the companies currently provide service from the north and the south with the plan to install the fiber in the city next spring. There would be a building placed within the city to house the necessary equipment. The fiber would benefit businesses through enhancements of their internet services to customers. They have had good response to their proposal and wanted the board to know of this plan also. The fiber could also be utilized for phone service. It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Dewey for Trimble to visit with Auditor Bunda for discussion of the services for phone and internet. Ayes all, motion carried. It was moved by Beneke, seconded by Dewey to sign a commitment letter for the fiber installation. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Ives, seconded by Dewey to authorize the chairman to sign the Flexible Benefit Plan Renewal for 2015 calendar year with costs to remain at \$4.75 per employee per month and a \$400.00 administrative fee. Ayes all, motion carried.

The Board proceeded to Canvass the Special Election of December 2, 2014 for the consideration of approving a revenue purpose statement for the Laurens Marathon Community School District. There were 106 voters with 106 - yes votes; 0 – no votes. The public measure passed.

It was moved by Beneke, seconded by Dewey to acknowledge receipt of the following Manure Management Plan: Scott Pitstick – Home, facility ID # 661660 located in NW SW, Section 19, Butler Township in Calhoun County with Scott Pitstick as owner and Trent Siebrecht as the contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Beneke, seconded by Ives to close all county offices on Friday, December 26, 2014 with the department administrators having the discretion of on-call coverage to provide the necessary services for their department. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Beneke to change the hearing date for D.D. 21 Engineer's Report to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 30, 2014. Ayes all, motion carried.

Russ Jergens, Safety Director updated the board on the activities of the Safety Committee. A questionnaire was provided to all employees with 43 responses submitted. Secondary Road indicated the desire to have additional instruction for changing/installing equipment, miscellaneous safety concerns. The majority of the comments had no specific concerns and the parking area at the Community Services building has been reviewed, a plan to install asphalt covering next spring, and improving the railing. Jergens advised that every community in Pocahontas County now has an AED unit available. The units were purchased with Bioterrorism grant monies of the County Public Health Department. There will be two units within the courthouse, one on first floor and another on second floor. The Cities will determine the location of their unit and advise Pocahontas County of the locations of each unit. He reported he has been working on replacement costs for the courthouse generator. He is searching for grant funding availability.

Supervisor Ives advised he visited with Jack Moellering, County Engineer to include assistant engineer tech to the job description for the drainage clerk position. The advertisement has been written for the board's approval. Asst. County Attorney Bennett advised the ad needs to run for two weeks. It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Ives to publish the ad in newspapers that will provide the best results and set January 12, 2015 as the deadline to receive applications. Ayes all, motion carried. Supervisor Ives noted the county engineer will post the ad on the necessary websites also.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Beneke to approve the claim to Bolten and Menk in the amount of \$1,409.00 for JT. D.D. 18-42 with Buena Vista County. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Beneke, seconded by Stauter to approve the claim of Bolten and Menk in the amount of \$69.00 for 2014 FEMA repairs on Jt. D.D. 63. Ayes all, motion carried.

The following claims were audited and allowed:

Claims paid December 9, 2014

A & M Laundry	Supplies	66.86	1
Advanced Systems	Copier Lease	139.36	1
Ag Partners	Fuel	1110.46	2
P Alexander	Mileage	39.60	1
Alliant Energy	Utilities	350.85	1
Alta Implement	Parts	60.76	1
Arnold Motor	Vehicle Parts	352.02	1
A Beneke	Co Atty Exp	4568.33	1
P Beneke	BOH	14.00	1
Bennett Recycling	Garbage	400.00	1
Bolton & Menk	Observe Instal	5291.00	1
P Boughey	PEO	95.00	1
BV Co Journal	Publications	580.36	1
Cal Co ECA	security light	56.47	1
Calhoun-Burns	Bridge Rating/Inspect	4037.95	1
Campbell Supply	Parts	79.22	1
Carpenter Uniform	Uniforms	345.41	1
CID	Supplies	304.00	1
Central IA Det	Services	219.51	1
CenturyLink	Phone	505.98	11
Cintas	Supplies	175.27	1
Consumer News	Publications	145.00	1
Copper Cottage	Heater Repair	3646.60	1
Cummins Central	Maintenance	632.87	1
B Dahl	Mileage	306.80	1
Electronic Special	Repair/Main	425.28	1
J Evans	PEO	85.50	1
Everttek	Internet	41.30	1
Farm & Home	Supplies	783.13	4
D Ferguson	Mileage	264.65	1
City of Fonda	Utilities	129.79	1
Genesis	Janitorial	750.00	1
Goldstar Prod	Supplies	649.00	1
D Gordon	PEO	95.00	1
K Halder	Mileage	106.00	1
C Harmon	BOH	20.00	1
Heartland Paper	Supplies	61.20	1
Hoffman Filter	Disposal Ser	50.00	1
Holm's Radiator	Supplies	510.00	1
Humboldt Co PHD	Permits	250.00	1
Humboldt Co Sheriff	Prisoner Ser	50.00	1

IState Truck	Supplies	254.24	2
IA Dept Transportation	Salt Rock	17643.00	1
ISAC	Training	260.00	2
IA Underground	Monitoring	1985.00	1
IMWCA	Worker Comp	7161.00	1
Interstate Bat	Supplies	123.13	1
ISS & DA c/o Chief Deputy Bill	Certificates	400.00	1
R Jergens	Mileage & Ex	141.28	1
Johnston Auto	batteries	556.34	1
B Lampe	Transport	10.97	1
B Larsen	Transport	8.22	1
Client	Services	20.00	1
House of Print	Supplies	15.00	1
Laurens Municipal	Utilities	300.74	1
Laurens Sun	Publications	1049.75	1
Mainstay Sys	Computer	1080.00	1
Martin Marietta	Rdstone	10591.81	1
Menards	Supplies	12.56	1
MidAmer Energy	Utilities	53.26	1
Midwest Wheel	Supplies	190.75	1
M Myers	Wages	72.00	1
Napa Auto Parts	Parts	412.96	3
J Newgard	Services	250.00	1
Northland Prod	Supplies	149.95	1
Northwest Comm	Internet	544.11	6
NW IA Youth Emerg.	Shelter Ser	4275.00	1
Office Elements	Supplies	269.84	3
Office Systems	Copier Main	54.30	1
Palmer Mutual Tel	Phone	314.92	1
City of Palmer	Utilities	81.00	1
Po Co Aud	T1 Phone	95.50	1
Po Co Waste	Rural Waste	8938.14	2
POC Network	Billing Ser	268.50	1
Poca Ford	Main Ser	386.68	1
Poca Ford	New Sheriff Vehicle	22171.59	1
Poca Lumber	Supplies	5.68	1
Poca Manor	Prisoner Meals	2760.00	1
Poca Off Supply	Supplies	42.77	2
Poca Sales & Serv	Repairs	71.90	2
Poca Title	Abstract Ser	600.00	1
City of Pocahontas	Utilities	988.76	7
Powers Funeral	Autopsy Ser	405.00	1
Pro Co-Op	Supp/Service	34957.52	2
RAM Systems	Maintenance	535.00	1
Record Dem	Publications	1370.87	2
S Reigelsberger	Mileage	579.20	1
S Richardson	Mileage	44.90	1
City of Rolfe	Utilities	57.52	1
Seiler App	Repair Ser	70.45	1
Solutions	Computer Main/Supplies	332.61	2
D Stall	Mileage	397.73	2
Staples	Supplies	32.87	1
K Stearns	Fence @ Rippberger	647.01	1
Subway	BOH	46.54	1
Syntex Indust	Sup/Repair Ser	191.49	1
Thrifty White	Medical	96.77	1
Treasurer St Ia	Fees	180.00	1
Treat America	Training	22.08	1
US Cellular	Phone	656.94	3
Verizon	Phone	113.11	2
A Walstead	PEO	85.50	1
Wex Bank	Fuel	26.54	1
Windstream	Phone/Data	264.26	2
Woods	Supplies	59.66	3
Youngs Computer	Comp Main	330.00	1
G Zhorne	PEO	85.50	1
Ziegler	Supplies	1186.49	1
Grand Total		155273.77	

It was moved by Beneke, seconded by Stauter to remove Claim # 301869 to Bolten & Menk for Jt. D.D. 43-72 from the listing and authorize the chairman to sign and send claim to Calhoun County for payment. Ayes all, motion carried.

Supervisors Weekly Reports: Triggs attended the monthly Community Social Services meeting, MIDAS board meeting, and the annual IDDA meeting. Beneke attended the Board of Health meeting, Empowerment meeting, and the annual IDDA meeting. Stauter attended the board meeting of Community and Family Resources and the annual IDDA meeting. Dewey had no meetings. Ives attended the MIDAS board meeting and the annual IDDA meeting.

There being no further business the board adjourned on motion of Stauter, seconded by Beneke.

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Vincent L. Triggs, Chairman

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Margene A. Bunda, County Auditor