

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
November 20, 2018

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

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

The minutes of November 13, 2018 and November 14, 2018 were approved as presented on motion by Stauter, seconded by Dewey. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

Jill Hubbell, from the Wellness Committee, advised the Board that the County will receive a 5% discount on our health insurance rate due to employee participation in the Wellness Programs. Hubbell explained that Wellmark no longer contributes towards the incentive for the two activities the County puts on and requested the Board consider funding the incentive pay. It was moved by Peters, seconded by Dewey, to authorize \$50.00 for each activity, Great Days & Great Nights and Bounce, to each County employee that participated. Ayes all, motion carried.

Auditor Jepsen explained that landowners: Jerry Sobotka, John Sobotka, Angela Sobotka, UFD Family Farms LLC, John Wenell, Jean Wenell, Lynn Wenell, and Allen Wenell, recorded a drainage agreement for the purpose of having drainage work done privately, and once completed, be turned over to the drainage district. The County also received a letter from Jon Rosengren, Engineer with Bolton & Menk, recommending that DD 8 assume ownership of the Cross Connect and Main Tile Extension that the said landowners had installed. It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Dewey, to accept the Cross Connect and Main Tile Extension into DD8 West Br. H. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Peters, to approve payment to I&S Group for watchman duties on Jt. DD 181 in the amount of \$135.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Peters, to approve the work order on Jt. DD 181, with a cost estimate of \$3,750.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Peters, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plans: (1) Dutchland Dairy – ID# 56669 located in the SE NW, Sec. 4 Garfield Township with Dan Duitscher as owner & contact person; (2) Rotta Site – ID# 65619 located in the NE SE, Sec. 14 Williams Township, Calhoun County with Scott Pitstick as owner & Trent Siebrecht as contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Stauter, to approve December 24, 2018 as a holiday. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jepsen advised that since December 25th and January 1st are falling on Tuesdays, the normal Board of Supervisors meetings will be held on Wednesday, December 26th and January 2nd. Jepsen also gave an update on the Department Head meeting and a Vehicle Operations Policy.

It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Peters, to enter into a one-year service agreement with American Business Phones, in the amount of \$2,283.42. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Dewey, to acknowledge the Post-Election Audit Report/Auditor Certification. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, advised that the final voucher for N-65 would have to be tabled again as it has not been returned by the contractor. Moellering also answered questioned and gave a brief update on different projects.

Weekly meetings: Ives–Constituent’s concerns and Drainage; Stauter–Fair Board and Drainage; and Dewey–Conservation and Safety. All Supervisors were present for the 2018 General Election Canvass.

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

Jeffrey Ives, Chairman

Kelly Jepsen, Auditor