

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, IA March 15, 2016

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

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

The minutes of March 8, 2016 were approved as read on motion of Stauter, seconded by Siepker. Ayes all, motion carried.

The tentative agenda was approved as amended on motion of Siepker, seconded by Dewey to include discuss the renting of approximately 1 acre of land near Laurens. Ayes all, motion carried.

Corey Keller, Prevention Specialist for Community and Family Resources advised the month of March is declared to be Gambling Awareness Month. There is \$3 million dollars designated to gambling research, treatment and education in the state of Iowa. Iowa ranks higher than the national average for substance abuse and gambling addictions. Pocahontas County is in the normal range. Keller advised that the treatment program for gamblers is effective. It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Stauter to approve the proclamation. Ayes all, motion carried.

GAMING PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Pocahontas County (State of Iowa) Board of Supervisors has designated March 2016 as National Problem Gambling Awareness Month, and

WHEREAS, problem gambling is a public health issue affecting millions of Americans of all ages, businesses and communities, and

WHEREAS, problem gambling is treatable and treatment is effective in minimizing this harm to both individuals and society as a whole, and

WHEREAS, numerous individuals, professionals, and organizations have dedicated their efforts to the education of the public about problem gambling and the availability and effectiveness of treatment, and

WHEREAS, Pocahontas County (State of Iowa) Board of Supervisors and Community & Family Resources invite all residents of pocahontas County in the State of Iowa to participate in Problem Gambling Awareness Month.

THEREFORE, the Pocahontas County (State of Iowa) Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim the month of March as National Problem Gambling Awareness Month and encourage all citizens to support Community & Family Resources in their efforts to Navigate Problem Gambling through their programs to prevent, treat, and recover from gambling addiction.

It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Stauter to approve the petition for Drainage Repairs and clean out for D.D. 38 in Grant Township. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Peters, seconded by Siepker to acknowledge receipt of the following Manure Management Plans: Roger Bjork – facility ID # 58289 located in NE SE, Section 34, Poland Township, Buena Vista County with Roger Bjork as the owner and contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Siepker to approve the bill of \$1,164.00 for payment of Bolton & Menk, Inc for JT D.D. 18-42. Ayes all, motion carried.

Supervisor Siepker advised he has a letter from an individual that has hay ground around the tower at the east side of Laurens. This individual would like to rent the approx. 1 acre owned by Pocahontas County. Following discussion it was determined Supervisor Siepker will visit with the County Attorney for appropriate proceedings.

The Board next considered the increased salary recommendations of the County Compensation Board for the elected officers. Auditor Bunda advised it has been recommended by ISAC's legal counsel to adopt the recommendations by resolution relative to SF167 passed last legislative session. It was

moved by Dewey, seconded by Siepker to adopt the resolution setting the wages at 2% increase rather than the 2.5% recommended by the Compensation Board. The chairman called the question with the following recorded vote: ayes – Siepker, Peters, Stauter, Dewey, Ives; naves – none. Whereby the resolution is duly adopted to-wit:

RESOLUTION – 2016 – 03- #7

WHEREAS, the Pocahontas County Compensation Board meets annually to recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Chapters 331.905 and 331.907, and

WHEREAS, the Pocahontas County Compensation Board met on February 11, 2016 and made the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Current Salary</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>	<u>Recommended Salary</u>
Auditor	\$ 53,338.00	% 2.5	\$ 54,671.00
County Attorney	\$ 61,889.00	% 2.5	\$ 63,436.00
Recorder	\$ 53,338.00	% 2.5	\$ 54,671.00
Sheriff	\$ 71,185.00	% 2.5	\$ 72,965.00
Supervisors	\$ 26,730.00	% 2.5	\$ 27,398.00
Treasurer	\$ 53,338.00	% 2.5	\$ 54,671.00

OPTION 1:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors adopts the salary recommendations for elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 as recommended by the Pocahontas County Compensation Board.

OPTION 2: (if different than compensation board recommendation)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors approves the following salary adjustments for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Approved Salary</u>	<u>Approved Increase</u>
Auditor	\$ 54,405	% 2.0
County Attorney	\$ 63,127	% 2.0
Recorder	\$ 54,405	% 2.0
Sheriff	\$ 72,609	% 2.0
Supervisors	\$ 27,265	% 2.0
Treasurer	\$ 54,405	% 2.0

At 10:35 a.m. the Board proceeded to the Public Hearing for the FY2017 Budget. Auditor Bunda noted the proofs of publication are on file. There is no one from the public present, there are no written or oral objections filed. Supervisor Stauter questioned if the County should consider reducing the funding to the Economic Development Commission by giving half the funding and have the commission request additional funding. Following discussion it was moved by Dewey, seconded by Stauter to approve the budget as published and adopt the resolution. The Chairman called the question with the following recorded vote: ayes – Siepker, Peters, Stauter, Dewey, Ives; nays – none. Whereby the resolution is adopted to-wit:

RESOLUTION – 2016 -03- #08

FY 2017 COUNTY BUDGET

WHEREAS, Pocahontas County, Iowa held a Public Hearing on March 15, 2016 for the 2016/2017 Fiscal Year County Budget, and

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 331,434 authorizes the board of each county to certify property taxes annually at its March session,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on March 15, 2016 the Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors approved the County Budget in the amount of \$14,272,002 with \$1,225,000 in transfers for a total of \$15,497,002; with the following approved levies and tax asking:

Levies per \$1,000 of valuation:

General Basic	\$ 3.50
Pioneer Cem	\$ 0.00688
General Suppl.	\$ 2.37870
Mental Health	\$ 0.34546
Rural Basic	\$ 3.55000
Total	\$ 9.78104

Tax Askings:

General Basic	\$ 2,486,261
Pioneer Cem.	\$ 4,887
General Suppl	\$ 1,689,734
Mental Health	\$ 245,401
Rural Basic	\$ 2,164,305
Total	\$ 6,590,588

Jack Moellering, County Engineer advised he had nothing for the board.

Supervisors Weekly Reports: Ives attended the County Day at the Capitol and attended the ISAC Spring School. Peters and Siepker attended the ISAC Spring School. Dewey attended the 911 meeting in Des Moines and the ISAC Spring School. Stauter attended the County Conservation Board meeting. All supervisors attended the D.D. 38 informational meeting.

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

Jeffrey K. Ives, Chairman

Margene A. Bunda, County Auditor