

Supervisors Room, Courthouse  
Pocahontas, Iowa  
March 19, 2019

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

Members present: Chairman, Jeffrey Ives; Supervisors, Clarence Siepker, Louis Stauter, Brent Aden, and Ed Dewey; and Auditor, Kelly Jepsen. Others present: Reporter, Erin Sommers.

The minutes of March 12, 2019 were approved as presented on motion by Dewey, seconded by Aden. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Stauter, to approve the tentative agenda with striking: Lee Gravel-discuss Pocahontas County Bank Policy; Approve Acquisition and Disposition of Capital/Fixed Assets Policy; and Approve Pocahontas County Credit Card Policy. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to approve DD 47 Br. F Contractor's Pay Request #3, to King Construction, in the amount of \$15,728.40. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Dewey, seconded by Siepker, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Sheriff's Jail Policy & Rules. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plan: (1) Roger Bjork – ID# 58289 located in the NE SE, Section 34, Poland Township, Buena Vista County with Roger Bjork as owner & contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Auditor Jepsen and the Board discussed replacing the garage door openers at the Courthouse in the near future.

The Iowa DNR has made a preliminary determination that Alpha Farms, LLC, Forest Finisher Farm site, has met the legal criteria to be issued a construction permit. It was moved by Siepker, seconded by Aden, to sign the waiver letter and adopt the following resolution. The chairman called the question with the following recorded vote: Ayes – Siepker, Aden, Ives, Stauter, Dewey; Nays-none. Whereby the Chairman declared the resolution duly adopted to-wit:

**RESOLUTION 2019-03-#23**

- APPROVAL OF WAIVER OF POCAHONTAS COUNTY'S RIGHT TO APPEAL ISSUANCE OF FINAL CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CONFINED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION BY THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES. BE IT RESOLVED by the Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors as follows:
- Section 1. The Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors has received notice from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that Alpha Farms, LLC has been issued a draft permit for construction of two new 2500 head deep pit swine finisher confinement buildings for a new swine finisher confinement facility with animal unit capacity of 2000 animal units (5000 head of swine finishers)
  - Section 2. The Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors reviewed the construction permit application and the manure management plan and determined that both appeared to be in compliance with the requirements of the Master Matrix Code Section 459 and Iowa DNR rules and recommended approval of said application on March 26, 2018.
  - Section 3. The Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors hereby waives its right to appeal the issuance of the final permit within the fourteen (14) day limit from the time of receipt of notice of the issuance of the draft permit.
  - Section 4. The Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors encourages the Iowa DNR to issue the Final Permit immediately upon notification of this waiver.
  - Section 5. The Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Board Chairman to notify the Iowa DNR of this waiver.
  - Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

At 10:30 a.m., the Board held a public hearing on proposed Ordinance #40. Jepsen presented proof of publication. Ives introduced the ordinance entitled "Ordinance #40, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #38, Floodplain Management". No written or oral comments were received. Motion by Dewey, seconded by Aden, that the ordinance be given its first consideration and that it be adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Motion by Siepker, seconded by Dewey, that the statutory rule requiring an ordinance to be considered and voted on for passage at two Board meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended. Ayes all motion carried. Motion by Dewey, seconded by Aden, that the ordinance entitled "Ordinance #40, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #38, Floodplain Management" now be put upon its final consideration and be adopted. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, detailed the status of SF184 and requested the Supervisors contact their legislators to advise that Pocahontas County is opposed to the bill. Discussed the conditions of the gravel roads also took place.

Weekly meetings: Siepker–Workforce Development, Upper Des Moines Finance meeting, and concerns with Swan Lake; Ives–County Day at the Capital and ISAC; Stauter–Fair board, BV Co. Secondary Roads Shop Open House; and Dewey–EMA concerns. Siepker, Ives, Stauter, and Dewey attended the meetings with ICIT.

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