

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
March 7, 2017

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

Members present: Chairman Jeffrey K. Ives, Louis Stauter, Clarence Siepker, and JoAnn R. Peters. Employees present: Don Cirks, Gary Atherton, and Jack Moellering. Community members present: Dan Peters, Tammy Janssen, Mary Janssen, Martin Janssen, Sally Butcher, Joseph (Daryle) Butcher, and TH Hoefing.

It was moved by Peters, seconded by Siepker, to approve the February 28, 2017 minutes as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

Ed Dewey joined the meeting telephonically

Dan Peters, Tammy Janssen, Martin Janssen, Daryle Butcher and TH Hoefing expressed their frustration with the County Road's Crew over trees that were cut down. Evergreens had been sheered on one side, trees branches ripped off and there was debris all over the ground. The Road's Crew had been clearing overhanging branches to address sight distance from entrance and clearance above the roads. Cirks apologized for what had happened. He explained there was a miscommunication between the operator and himself. The County has been out making clean cuts to the trees and cleaning up the debris. There will be a new policy put into place to ensure residence are given an opportunity to trim their own trees prior to the County doing it.

It was moved by Siepker, seconded by Dewey, to appoint Russ Jergens as the Zoning Officer starting April 1, 2017. He will be given a vehicle allowance of \$250.00 a month with the issue being revisited next fiscal year. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve payment for Jt. DD 18-42, pay request #1 to Rognes Bros. Excavating, Inc. for \$239,603.94. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Peters, seconded by Stauter, to approve payment for Jt. DD 72-43, Bolton & Menk, \$706.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Siepker, seconded by Peters, to acknowledge receipt of the following Manure Management Plan: (1) FMP Williams Site – ID# 63601 located in the NE NW, Sec 6, William Township, Calhoun with FMP I, LLP as owner & Rusty Kosky as contact person; (2) Kles North Farm – ID# 63529 located in the NW SW, Sec 6, Cedar Township with FMP I, LLP as owner & Rusty Kosky as contact person; (3) PI-328 Finisher – ID# 65793 located in the NW NE, Sec 20, Bellville Township with Prestage Farms of Iowa, LLC as owner & Dennis Benning as contact person. (4) PI-257 Finisher – ID# 65156 located in the NE NW, Sec 6, Grant Township with Prestage Farms of Iowa, LLC as owner & Dennis Benning as contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Siepker, seconded by Peters, to acknowledge Center Township's FY18 budget. Ayes all, motion.

Bid letting for the Annex parking lot took place. Four bids were received. One bid was thrown out, it was not bid to requested specifications. It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to accept the bid from Bacon Builders from Fort Dodge at \$33,750. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, let the Board know Upper Des Moines requested assistance in repairing there gravel entrance on Hwy 4. The Board told Secondary Roads to do the work and bill for material, labor and equipment usage. Moellering also answered questions the Board had pertaining to project timeframes.

Auditor Jepsen and the Board discussed County credit cards. A policy will be created.

Supervisors' weekly meetings: Ives - State Auditor and drainage concerns; Siepker - Workforce Development; Peters - Palmer Hometown Pride and concerns with tree damage; and Stauter –nothing.

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

At 1:30 p.m., a teleconference was held with Calhoun County Board of Supervisors for the bid letting on Jt. DD 173-67, delineation of wetlands. The Boards decided to further investigate and discuss next week. Minutes are filed in the appropriate drainage book.