

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, IA May 31, 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 May 24, 2016 were approved as presented on motion of Stauter, seconded by Siepker. Ayes all, motion carried.

The tentative agenda was approved as amended on motion of Dewey, seconded by Peters to include discussion of health insurance coverage for IDDA. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Dewey to approve the BPTC Resolution. The chairman called the question with the following recorded vote: ayes – Siepker, Peters, Stauter, Dewey, Ives; nays – none. Whereby the resolution was duly adopted to-wit:

Annual BPTC Resolution 2016-05-#08

WHEREAS, the Pocahontas County Assessor has received new Applications for the Business Property Tax Credit (BPTC) for the FY16-17 Tax Year, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors shall approve said applications authorizing the County Auditor to process the new applications and update the Pocahontas County BPTC listing with the Iowa Department of Revenue,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors hereby approve the new BPTC Applications, approves the deletions recommended by the County Assessor, and authorizes the County Auditor to process said applications for the FY 16-17 Tax Year.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Peters to approve changing the date of hearing for Drainage District NO. 8 West – Tile Improvement to 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 29, 2016. Ayes all, motion carried.

The board reviewed the signed Waiver of Distance Separation for the new construction permit application for Granite Farms III, LLC in Section 26, Colfax Township. The board agreed with the Master Matrix filed with the permit as verified by Supervisor Stauter during the site visit with the Spencer Dist 3 Iowa DNR representative. There were no persons present for the hearing nor were there any objections verbal or written. It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Siepker to approve the CAFO Application and the Master Matrix documentation. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Siepker to acknowledge receipt of the following Manure Management Plans: (1) PI248 – facility ID# 64635 located in SE SE, Section 11, Des Moines Township with Prestage Farms of Iowa, LLC as the owner and Dennis Benning as the contact person; (2) Brian Aden Feedlot – facility ID# 66770 located in NW SW, Section 1, Colfax Township with Brian Aden as the owner; (3) BRNK – facility ID# 67359 located in SE SE, Section 24, Roosevelt Township with Gus Brinkman as the owner and contact person; (4) Kyle Wenell – facility ID# 67313 located in the NE SE, Section 32, Swan Lake Township with Kyle Wenell as the owner and The Maschhoffs LLC as the contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Dale Smith, farm manager for the Kleen family wanted to discuss Jt. Drainage District No. 43-72 noting he has learned that a former private tile (Metzger Mutual Drain) is an established district taken over by the county. Both this private tile and the tile for the Joint District were put in about the same time is the point he wishes to make and questions why the tile of the Joint District has not held up in comparing to the Metzger private tile. He has again observed there is no water coming out of the tube at the bulkhead. Smith also queried why the ditch in Pocahontas County was dipped out if the culvert in the road crossing is too high? The board responded it was the request of a landowner to clean out this portion of the ditch. Smith noted the open ditch needs to be cleaned and that Calhoun County will experience problems downstream as the City of Pomeroy dumps their water from the holding ponds into

this district. He is also concerned why the tile line is not working and it needs to be investigated before proceeding with a new tile. Smith has talked with Jon Rosengren, P.E. and posed the same questions to him. If the new tile goes in, it would only benefit the Kleen farm if an outlet is brought closer to their farm. Smith noted he absolutely agrees the open ditch needs to be cleaned.

Leroy Simonson, landowner advised he is not on the agenda but he did want to show pictures to the board of a surface drain outlet in the open ditch of Jt. D.D. 66 appears to have separated and has caused bank erosion in Section 26, Powhatan Township. The board will have the matter investigated and repairs made. Simonson also noted that the road ditch at the SW corner of Section 24, Powhatan Township has filled with dirt from the dust storms of years past. He would like to reclaim the dirt and place it back in his fields. He will gladly hire a private contractor to dig the dirt at the direction of the County Engineer to save the county from having to do the work. This would clean the road ditch and provide better drainage from Simonson's field as well. The board will take this under consideration.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer advised he was unable to find the resolution the board was discussing in regard to plantings in the road right-of-way. The auditor will get the information to Moellering.

The Ware road vacation has been placed on hold until we know if Ware was ever incorporated and if so when it was unincorporated as a City entity.

Supervisor Stauter advised the board there needs to be discussion regarding the continuation of health insurance for John Torbert, IDDA Director.

Arnold Lubinus, landowner advised the board the spoil on the west side of D.D. 53, Br 19 ditch recently cleaned has not been sufficiently leveled and he is unable to reseed the CRP acres. He indicated the county will need a dozer and/or a road grader to level the spoil. Chairman Ives will contact Don Cirks to get this project completed.

Supervisors Weekly Reports: Ives attended the Scott Telephone demonstration, Courthouse Security meeting, County Solid Waste Commission meeting, MIDAS board meeting. Peters attended the Scott Telephone demonstration and the County Solid Waste Commission meeting and MIDAS board meeting. Siepker attended the UDMO board meeting and the 22 county regional social services meeting. Dewey attended the safety committee meeting telephonically. Stauter attended the CFR board meeting and tended to drainage concerns.

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

Jeffrey K. Ives, Chairman

Margene A. Bunda, County Auditor