

Supervisors Room, Courthouse  
Pocahontas, Iowa  
October 16, 2018

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, Ed Dewey, and JoAnn Peters; and Auditor, Kelly Jepsen.

The minutes of October 9, 2018 were approved as presented on motion by Dewey, seconded by Stauter. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

Don Etlar, Engineer from Bolton & Menk, presented an alternative design for DD 64 North. The new plan would involve constructing an open ditch which would also offer relief to DD 64 South as well as decrease the overall cost of the improvement. It was moved by Siepker, seconded by Dewey, to authorize Bolton & Menk to investigate this new plan further, but not to exceed \$10,000, and to change the hearing on December 11, 2018 to an informational meeting. Ayes all, motion carried.

Etlar also okayed a PVC water pipe as an equal alternative to the steel casing pipe, which was proposed. Even though the PVC is more expensive, we will be getting it at the steel casing price, and he believes it will be smoother, offer better flow, and a little bigger than the steel casing.

Sarah Winkler, County Treasurer, presented the Quarterly Investment Report for the period ending September 30, 2018. The interest for the quarter totaled \$87,412.97 and there were 612 driver's licenses issued with \$4,284.00 in revenue earned. It was moved by Siepker, seconded by Peters, to accept the County Treasurer's Quarterly Investment Report. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Peters, seconded by Dewey, to approve the hire of Hailey Douglas and Megan Myers as a part time Aides for the Home Care Aide Agency effective October 3, 2018 and October 8, 2018 respectively, with a starting rate of \$13.50 per hour with an increase after probationary period. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Peters, to approve the Recorder's September Report of Fees Collected and the Quarterly Report of Fees Collected. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Siepker, to authorize the Chairman to sign Amendment #1 of Contract #MOU-2017-HAD76 with the Iowa Department of Public Health. Ayes all, motion carried. This amendment grants the Rolfe Area Ambulance with a Lucas Device.

It was moved by Peters, seconded by Siepker, to approve the annual service and support contract with Ultimate Communication Software, LLC for the call accounting system, in the amount of \$695.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Dewey, seconded by Stauter, to remove the building value, in the amount of \$11,128, from parcel #07-32-351-026, as the City of Pocahontas owns the log cabin and the city is exempt. Ayes all, motion carries.

After much discussion, it was moved by Stauter, seconded by Peters, to hire Paul Greufe as the County Union Negotiator if he would decrease his rate by \$1,800.00. Ayes-Stauter, Peters, Nays-Siepker, Ives, Dewey. Motion failed.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve payment to Jacobson-Westergard for professional services on Jt. DD 13 in the amount of \$369.50. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Siepker, seconded by Stauter, to approve payment to James Wasko for damages and seeding on DD 61 in the amount of \$930.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve payment to Pocahontas County Secondary Roads for relocating the intake to Jt. DD 143, in the amount of \$375.99. Ayes all, motion carried.

It was moved by Peters, seconded by Siepker, to approve payment to Pocahontas County Secondary Roads for filling a washout on Jt. DD 171, in the amount of \$842.39. Ayes all, motion carried.

Auditor Jepsen advised of several questions asked of the Board.

It was moved by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to accept the drainage petition on DD 63 Br. C and appoint Bolton & Menk as Engineers and limit their engineering work to \$5,000, up to the informal hearing. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, had no new information to report.

Weekly meetings: Dewey–Conservation and Pro Coop. Supervisors Ives, Siepker, Stauter, and Peters–drainage concerns.

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

---

Jeffrey Ives, Chairman

---

Kelly Jepsen, Auditor