

Supervisors Room, Courthouse  
Pocahontas, Iowa  
October 22, 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, Ed Dewey, and Brent Aden; and Auditor, Kelly Jepsen. Others present: Reporter, Erin Sommers.

Motion by Dewey, seconded by Stauter, to approve the minutes from October 8, 2019 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

The tentative agenda was approved as posted on motion by Siepker, seconded by Aden. Ayes all, motion carried.

Amy Johnson, County Treasurer, advised that the City of Rolfe has requested the assignment of four County held tax sale certificates and tax abatement after deeds have been issued. Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to assign the tax certificate #2016-214 on parcel 08-05-277-009, #2015-203 on parcel 08-05-277-008, #2019-514, on parcel 08-05-427-007 and #2018-211 on parcel 08-05-254-015 to the City of Rolfe. Ayes all, motion carried.

Auditor Jepsen explained that the drainage petition acknowledged on October 8, 2019, requesting drainage relief on DD 62 Br. B, was filed by a non-landowner, therefore having no standing. Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to authorize the Chairman to sign the letter addressed to the petitioner denying his request. Ayes all, motion carried. No further action will be taken with this petition.

Motion by Dewey, seconded by Stauter, to accept the Weed Commissioner's Annual Report and authorize the Chairman to sign the 2019 Weed Commissioner's Report and the 2020 County Weed Commissioner Certification Form. Ayes all, motion carried.

T.H. Hoefing, landowner in DD 30, and Gary Atherton, assistant to the Engineer/Drainage Clerk, discussed the tiling plans for the County Farm. Hoefing has discovered that the Branch 3 that met remonstrance during the DD 30 project would have benefited him greatly. Since Hoefing was the largest landowner he could petition to have Branch 3 built, but instead, Atherton proposed that the County install a 15 inch private tile on the County Farm and allow Hoefing to hook into it. Hoefing would assist in paying for the private tile. This would save the County money on tiling that was already planned and save the drainage district the cost of building Branch 3. After discussing other tiling needs for the County Farm, motion was made by Aden, seconded by Stauter, to authorize Atherton to put the specifications out for bids as one project but with two separate bids. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve the Recorder's Quarterly Report and September Report of Fees Collected. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Dewey, to acknowledge the Certification of Contract Completion for DD 31 and set Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. as the date and time for the Completion Hearing. The Hearing will be held in the Assembly Room of the Courthouse. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Dewey, seconded by Siepker, to authorize the Chairman to sign the letter regarding Water Quality Opportunities. Ayes all, motion carried. Bolton & Menk will send said letter to landowners.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Dewey, to approve payment to Pocahontas County Secondary Roads for materials for Jt. DD 77 Main Open Ditch, located in SE ¼, Section 22, Cummins Township, in the amount of \$427.20. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Stauter, to approve payment to Pocahontas County Secondary Roads for tile repairs on the following ditches: Jt. DD 63 Br. C-3, located in SE ¼, Section 28, Powhatan Township, for \$262.17; Jt. 77 Main Open Ditch, located in SW ¼, Section 25, Roosevelt Township, for \$120.20; and Jt. DD 63 Main Open Ditch, located in SW ¼, Section 13, Cummins Township, for \$549.54. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve payment to Quality Drainage for repairs on Jt. DD 181 in the amount of \$4,536.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve payment to Wieston Ag Service, Inc. for tile repair on Jt. DD 9-13 located in SE ¼, SW ¼ Section 14, Sherman Township, Calhoun County, in the amount of \$24,090.50 and requested that Jepsen inquire of the control county, if it is FEMA work and discuss the approval process with them. Ayes all, motion carried.

At 10:40 a.m., the Board recessed to continue the DD 30 Completion Hearing.

At 10:50 a.m., the Chairman reconvened the meeting.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plans: (1) Witzke – ID# 63220 located in the NW NE, Sec. 14 Newell Township, BV County, with Nutra Tech LC as owner & Rusty Kosky as contact person; and (2) Lenz Poultry Inc. – ID# 58877 located in the SE SW, Sec. 4 Bellville Township, with Philip Lenz as owner & contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jepsen advised of a letter from Imagine the Possibilities informing us that they would be taking over the Genesis's contract for janitorial services. The next day, she received a call from an attorney inquiring if the County would allow Genesis to sublet out their office at the County Annex. After discussion, the Board directed Jepsen to have Genesis come to visit with them about the changes.

Jepsen also advised that the Annual Financial Report has been completed and submitted to the Department of Management and a family inquired about taking wedding pictures in the Rotunda.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, and Don Cirks, Roads Superintendent, explained how the epoxy injections equipment would work compared to doing bridge deck patching. The Board expressed concerns and asked Moellering to do some more research.

Moellering presented a resolution of revised bridge postings due to the completion of four supplemental abutments. Following review, motion by Siepker, seconded by Dewey, to adopt the following resolution. The Chairman called the question with the following recorded vote: Ayes – Siepker, Aden, Ives, Stauter, Dewey; Nays – none. Whereby the resolution is duly adopted to-wit:

**RESOLUTION – 2019-10-#32**  
Revised Bridge Postings

**WHEREAS**, Pocahontas County receives significant federal funding for bridges and accordingly is required to conduct bridge inspections and where prescribed, to close or to place restrictions as to the weight of vehicles using such bridges, and **WHEREAS**, the County desires to maintain the safety of the public and continue receiving federal funding for bridge replacements, and **WHEREAS**, the County is in contract with Merryman Bridge Construction Company to rehabilitate four bridges by constructing supplemental steel abutments and that these abutments will make the bridges able to carry legal loads, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors that, as the rehabilitation of each of the below bridges is completed, the posting of that bridge be removed and the bridge be restored to legal load rating as recommended in the rehabilitation plans.

<u>County #</u>	<u>FHWA #</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Old Posting</u>	<u>New Posting</u>
Lincoln 33	278770	14/23 Lincoln	10 tons	Legal
Grant 38	278900	13/18 Dover/Grant	"One Truck"	Legal
Dover 43	279050	18/19 Dover	10 tons	Legal
Powhatan 250	280030	2/3 Powhatan	6 tons	Legal

SnoPak's permit for snowmobile routes was tabled, as the signed permit had not been returned.

Next, the State advised that Secondary Roads have another inspector. Previously Moellering mentioned that hiring an Assistant Engineer would be a better use of money instead of hiring just an inspector. Motion by Dewey, seconded by Siepker, to authorize Moellering to advertise for an Assistant Engineer position. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Utility Permit for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative. Ayes all, motion carried.

Moellering and the Board discussed different road concerns going on in the County.

Motion by Dewey, seconded by Aden, to approve the claims for payment, including claims with documented public purposes. Ayes all, motion carried. The following claims were audited and allowed:

Access Systems Leasing	Lease	138.58	1
Adv Systems	Lease	139.36	1
Adv Systems	Copies	758.35	1
E Ahlrichs	Mileage	206.56	1
K Aljets	safety boots	141.23	1
Alliant Energy	Utilities	222.26	1
AP Air Inc	Parts	64.00	1
C Archer	Con Board Mil/Emp Ex	40.00	1
G Atherton	Phone/Mileage REMB	53.40	1
Kaila R Beavers	Expenses	948.04	1
Bennett Recycling	Garbage	33.00	1
N Betten	Mileage	312.83	1
M Bierl	Mileage	131.89	1
Bomgaars	Supplies	634.83	1
CAASA	Allocation	1250.00	1
Cal Co ECA	Utilities	10.50	1
Campbell Supply	Parts	15.37	1
S Cash	Mileage	14.17	1
Cemstone	Concrete	720.00	1
Central Salt	Icing Salt	29864.81	1
Century Link	Phone	286.20	1
Thomas N Christians	Postage	7.35	1
D Cirks	Phone REIM	80.00	1
City-Pocahontas	Utilities	345.90	6
J Conlin	Mileage	382.00	2
James P Conway	Reimburse	60.78	1
Counsel	Copies	90.28	1
Counsel	Lease	32.39	1
Po Co Sec Rd	Rent	700.00	1
Doolittle Oil	Supplies	3543.34	1
Hailey D Douglas	Mileage	196.20	1
Judy K Essing	Postage	7.60	1
Farm & Home	Supplies	640.12	3
Family Crisis Center	Allocation	1250.00	1
Genesis	Janitorial	750.00	1
Gilmore City	Utilities	60.00	1
Gray Sanitation	garbage/Palmer	15.00	1
Great American Financial Serv	Lease	145.40	1
Hallett Materials	icing sand	967.06	1
Dereck A Hebert	HDMI cable/JW	16.05	1
Dereck A Hebert	Supplies	12.83	1
Hilton Des Moines Downtown	engr. conf room/JM prepai	320.70	1
Barbra J Hinners	Expense	52.40	1

Hoffman Filter	Disposal Ser	55.00	1
Holiday Inn	Lodging	1388.30	1
HyVee AR	Jail Meds	25.22	1
IState Truck	Supplies	11.45	1
IADPS	Terminal Billing	978.00	1
IA Lakes Elec	Tower Rent	59.00	1
IA Lakes Elec	Utilities	446.00	1
Iowa Counties Information Tech	Tech Team	101.50	1
ILEA	Training	575.00	1
Inland Truck	Parts	1697.58	1
Insight Public Sector Sled	Microsoft License	1069.96	1
ISAC	Training	250.00	1
ITsavvy LLC	Equipment	1174.60	3
ITsavvy LLC	Laptop	793.00	1
ITsavvy LLC	License Renewal	2395.00	1
ITsavvy LLC	Supplies	204.00	1
Jacks OK Tire	Tires/Parts	4764.24	1
K Jepsen	Supplies	9.62	1
K Jepsen	Travel Exp	582.28	1
Johnston Auto	Supplies	114.19	1
Juicebox Interactive	Website	1991.25	1
RELX INC DBA LexisNexis	Software	105.03	1
Manson Lumber Company	screen repair (6.80 credi	31.70	1
Martin Marietta	rd stone	31665.03	1
Martin Marietta	Aggregate	1178.53	1
Mediacom	Internet	8.06	1
Menards	Fonda/water heater	315.00	1
Menards	Supplies	247.90	1
Merryman Bridge Construction	supp abuts 2019	6984.00	1
Merryman Bridge Construction	Bridge Work	94624.90	1
Messenger	ad/tile crew	704.00	1
MidAmeri Energy	Palmer electric	24.16	1
MidAmeri Energy	Palmer int. lts	64.19	1
Midwest Wheel	Supplies	489.62	1
Murphy Tractor	Parts	361.44	1
Megan S Myers	Mileage	98.10	1
S Nelson	Reimbursement	101.63	1
Neopost	Postage	75.00	1
Next Gen Tech	Support	112.14	1
Northern Safety Co Inc	Supplies	198.48	1
NW Comm	Maintenance	86.25	1
NW Glass	labor	65.00	1
NW Glass	laminare	135.00	1
Office Depot	Supplies	53.31	1
Office Elements	Equipment	150.74	1
Office Elements	Supplies	287.72	6
Overhead Door	Repairs	634.78	1
City-Plover	water/Plover	100.00	1
Po Co EMS	EMS Coordinator	10000.00	1
Po Co Home Care	Home Aides	15615.50	4
Po Co Pub Health	Services	25.00	1
Po Co Solid Waste	Rural Waste	10698.40	1
Poca Ambl	Allocation	10522.50	1
Poca Comm Hospital	Meals	3339.00	1
Poca St Bank	Rent	400.00	1
Pocahontas Women's Club	Holiday Trees	93.00	1
Poca Equip	Mower Blade	15.44	1
Poca Fiber	Internet Phone	379.33	1
Poca Fiber	Phone	29.20	1
Poca Fiber	Phone Internet	346.49	1
Poca Ford	Maint	198.93	1
Pro Co-Op	diesel/bulk /cardtrol	7536.44	1
Pro Co-Op	dust control	7200.00	1
Pro Co-Op	propane	16.45	1
Pro Co-Op	Fonda propane	630.87	1
Pro Co-Op	Havelock propane	567.53	1
Pro Co-Op	Palmer propane	52.94	1
Pro Co-Op	Plover propane	421.11	1
Pro Co-Op	Varina propane	646.10	1
Pro Co-Op	Water	39.00	1
Pro-Vision	Equipment	114.39	1
Radar Rd Tec	Radar Cert	280.00	1
Ramada	Lodging	291.20	1
Rebnord Tech	Equipment	34899.95	1
Rebnord Tech	Service	1927.50	1
Record Dem	Subscription	30.00	1
Rees Truck	Parts	80.53	1
Region V HAZMAT	Contribution	2741.25	1
B Reis	Expense	35.36	1
V Ricklefs	Mileage	50.14	1
City-Rolfe	Utilities	29.46	1
K Scheidegger	Expense	35.54	1
Genesis	Services	117.09	2
Schoon Excavating	Drainage	2097.05	1
Seiler App	Repair	201.50	1
Kristi S Seiler	Mileage	112.82	1
Skyline Steel, LLC	steel	2035.20	1
Solutions Inc	Service	28.75	1
Solutions Inc	Software	6746.12	1
Ten Pt Const	Services	12279.49	1
The Fish Room Alan & Associate	Supplies	62.90	1
T Reuters-West	Publications	132.30	1
Transit Works	Supplies	117.17	1
UDMO	Allocation	3770.00	1
US Cellular	Phone	268.98	2
USPS	Stamped Envelopes	290.30	1
K Vadar	Mileage	116.63	1
Van Diest Supply	Chemical	427.35	1
Vander Haag's Inc	parts	100.00	1
Verizon	hot spots	160.04	1
Verizon	Phone	51.36	1
Webster Co Sheriff	Service	68.00	2
Western Ins	Ins/Bond Ser	1420.00	1
Woods	Supplies	46.75	1

Youth Shelter NCI	Shelter Care	2845.65	2
Ziegler	Supplies	446.81	1
Grand Total		346478.49	

Weekly meetings: Siepker- Workforce Development, Upper Des Moines Finance meeting, and North Raccoon Watershed meeting; Aden-Home Care Board meeting and drainage concerns; Ives-Drainage and constituents' concerns; Stauter-drainage concerns and Mid American tile; and Dewey-CFR and Safety issues. All Supervisors participated in DD 30 Completion Hearing.

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

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Jeffrey K. Ives, Chairman

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Kelly A. Jepsen, Auditor