

Supervisors Room, Courthouse  
Pocahontas, Iowa  
November 19, 2019

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

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

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve the minutes from November 12, 2019 and November 13, 2019 with changing the November 12, 2019 minutes to show Stauter's vote was a Nay on the motion to add an addendum to the Employee Handbook for Secondary Roads' overtime. Ayes all, motion carried.

The tentative agenda was approved after striking, "Discuss Jt. DD 171", on motion by Siepker, seconded by Aden. Ayes all, motion carried.

Alison Hauser, CSS Western Quadrant Supervisor advised that a service coordinator had resigned and requested to hire for this position. Hauser also gave an update of the different programs that she has piloted in Pocahontas County and praised the teamwork shown by the County Attorney, the Magistrate, DHS, the Hospital, jail, and law enforcement in Pocahontas County when it comes to serving our citizens that are in crisis.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve the proposal from Benefits, Inc. for 2020 fees for administration services. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Aden, to appoint the following people to the Compensation Board: Ray Seehusen as County Attorney's representative; and Mike Peterson as the Auditor's representative. Ayes all, motion carried. Peterson's term will expire June 30, 2021 and Seehusen's term will expire June 30, 2023.

Auditor Jepsen inquired about a claim from Paul Greufe. The Board was in agreement to have Greufe represent the County for union negotiations and wait on paying for the salary survey until more information is provide.

The Board clarified that the safety day off is to include the part-time employees and do to staffing concerns, that the Sheriff and Secondary Roads' Department Heads can allow the safety day be used as a floating day off, but must be used prior to September 1, 2020.

Motion by Dewey, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plans: (1) Steve Wheatley-ID #57923 located in the SE NE, Sec. 22 Lincoln Township with Steve Wheatley as owner & contact person; and (2) Staiert Finisher – ID# 64121 located in the SW NW, Sec. 5 Colfax Township with Kelsey & Terry Staiert as owner & Twin Lakes Environmental Services, LLC as contact. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Dewey, to approve adding the Secondary Roads Addendum to the Pocahontas County Employee Handbook. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to table the N65 Completion Payment until next week. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Stauter, to approve the transfer of Marvin Dirks, Jr. from the Tile Crew/Poky Truck to Palmer Truck Driver. Ayes all, motion carried. Dirks' transfer will be effective December 8, 2019 and his new rate of pay will be \$20.78/hour per the collective bargaining unit agreement.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, presented an agreement for Virgil L. Ricklefs Living Trust. After discussion, motion by Dewey, seconded by Aden, to allow the Chairman to sign the agreement to place tile in the road right of way. Ayes all, motion carried.

The Board canvassed the results for the second tier City/School election. The Abstract of Votes from other counties for races where Pocahontas County is the control county were reviewed and confirmed, declaring to following duly elected. The votes were as follows:

<b>POCAHONTAS AREA</b>			
		Public Measure PACA	Yes-469
At Large (2)	Greg Fritz-524		No-140
	Zachary Stuchlik -409		Passed
	Scattering-14	Public Measure PACB	Yes-421
Winners:	Greg Fritz, Zachary Stuchlik		No-186
District 2 (1)	Paul Berte-576		Passed
	Scattering-3	<b>LAURENS/MARATHON</b>	
Winner:	Paul Berte	At Large(3)	Jason Gustafson-270
District 3 (1)	Jolene Duitscher-603		Matt Hertz-276
	Scattering-3		Write-in Peter Runneberg-10
Winner:	Jolene Duitscher		Write-in Nancy Fuchs-2
District 2-Vacancy	Mike Crosgrove-304		Write-in Brittni Ferguson-2
	Terry Panbecker-296		Scattering-32
	Scattering-5	Winners:	Jason Gustafson, Matt Hertz,
Winner:	Mike Crosgrove		Peter Runneberg

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Stauter, to accept the resignation of Kaila Beavers, CCS Service Coordinator. Ayes all, motion carried. Beavers' last day was November 18, 2019. Motion by Siepker, seconded by Dewey, to authorize Hauser to hire for the open position. Ayes all, motion carried.

Weekly meetings: Siepker-Workforce Development, Upper Des Moines Finance meeting, and Laurens City Council; Aden and Ives-Solid Waste interviews and drainage concerns; Stauter-Fairboard and drainage concerns; and Dewey-Conservation Board. Siepker, Aden, Stauter, and Dewey all participated in the First Tier Canvass of the City/School Election.

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