

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
December 17, 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, and Brent Aden; and Auditor, Kelly Jepsen. Others present: Reporter, Erin Sommers. Supervisor, Ed Dewey was absent.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve the minutes from December 10, 2019 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Aden, to approve the tentative agenda as posted. Ayes all, motion carried.

Kathy Piffner, Midas Executive Director, met with the Board to introduce herself and give an update.

Tom Grau, Emily Williams, Curt Sindergard, and John Pohlman, with Pocahontas County Economic Development, met with the Board to introduced Emily Williams, Workforce Marketing Coordinator, and advised of the various programs that they are working on.

Orene Cressler, Veterans Affairs Director, and Keith Hoffman, Veterans Affairs Commissioner, presented a new Pocahontas County Veterans Affairs Policy. Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve the policy, which was adopted by the Pocahontas County Veterans Affairs Commission on December 6, 2019. Ayes: Siepker, Aden, Ives, and Stauter. Nays: none. Motion carried.

LaVonne Hoover, Gilmore City Councilwoman, made a request for two stop signs, one on the North side and one on the South side at the corner of Gilmore Street and C Avenue, to make this corner a four way stop. Since Gilmore City's population is over 500, it is the decision of the city to determine the location, erect, and maintain the signs.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, advised that he did not have the final voucher for the N65 project. He also advised that the cost of road stone from Martin Marietta Aggregates had increased for next year and that he had contacted Stratford Gravel, Inc. for a quote. Other road concerns were discussed.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve the bid specifications for DD 168 and schedule the bid letting for Tuesday, January 14, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room of the Courthouse. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve the response to the union's proposals. Ayes all, motion carried. Steve Henderson and Mike Crosgrave, Union Stewards were present to accept the proposals.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge the resignation of Eileen Horner, Deputy Assessor, and thank her for her service. Horner's last day was December 6, 2019. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve the Jt. DD 63 Br. C claim from the Record Democrat for publication cost in the amount of \$185.85. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to approve Jt. DD 63 Br. F Main Open Ditch claim for \$237.76 from the Pocahontas County Secondary Roads for labor for watchman services. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker to approve Jt. DD 171 claims for \$196.94 from the Pocahontas County Secondary Roads for watchman services for \$118.88 and Pocahontas County Auditor for mailing notices for \$78.06. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Aden, to approve Jt. DD 171 claim from Chris Pohl for Beaver Trapping, in the amount of \$320.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve Jt. DD 181 claim from the Calhoun County Historical Society for room rental, in the amount of \$40.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plans: (1) Double H Hogs LLC – ID# 58581 located in the NE SE, Sec. 34 Colfax Township with Double H Hogs LLC as owners & contact person; (2) Feather Creek – ID# 58627 located in the SE SW, Sec. 3 Fairfield Township, BV County with Dan Ehlers as owner & contact person; and (3) Hawkeye Six– ID# 60821 located in the SW SW, Sec. 1 Marshall Township with Hawkeye Six, Inc. as owner & Dave Wittry as contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Kelly Jepsen, County Auditor, and Gary Atherton, Assistant to the Engineer/Drainage Clerk, discussed the bids received for the required improvements to the Courthouse's elevator. Atherton will contact the State about a variance and discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Jepsen advised of upcoming meetings and correspondence received.

Weekly meetings: Siepker-Linking Families; and Aden-Economic Development and Second Judicial.

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

Jeffrey K. Ives, Chairman

Kelly A. Jepsen, Auditor