

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
March 3, 2020

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 joined the meeting telephonically.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve the minutes from February 25, 2020 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Dewey, to approve the tentative agenda with the addition of, "Set date for FY21 Budget Hearing". Ayes all, motion carried.

Patrick Mooney, EMS Coordinator, met with the Board and gave an update on PCERS.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to appoint Jerry Hammen and Mike Behrendsen as Commissioners for DD 30 and DD 31. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge the Engineer's Report of Jt. DD 63 and set a hearing on said report for Tuesday, March 31, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. at the Election Center in Emmetsburg. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to authorize the Chairman to sign the proposed Open Ditch Repairs for the following drainage ditches. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jt. DD 173-67 located in the NW SE Section 1, Williams Township, Calhoun County for \$8,400.00

Jt. DD 37-35 located in the NE SW Section 1, William Township, Calhoun County for \$1,700.00

Jt. DD 37-35 located in the SE SW Section 1, Williams Township, Calhoun County for \$1,700.00

Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plans: (1) A & W Site – ID#67013 located in the NW SE, Section 1, Cummins Township with Hawkeye Ag LLP as owner & Scott Jacobsen as contact person; (2) Brian Kinkade – ID# 65166 located in the NE NE, Section 32, Marshall Township with Brian Kinkade as owner & contact person; (3) Brannigan Site – ID# 67014 located in the NE NE, Section 23, Dover Township with Summit Farms, LLC as owner & Scott Jacobsen as contact person; and (4) Benelli Finisher Farm, located in the SW SW Section 10, Cedar Township with Prime Farms, LLC as owner & Keith Kratchmer as contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Kelly Jepsen, County Auditor, presented a resolution to cancel outstanding checks. Motion by Siepker, seconded by Stauter, to approve the resolution. The Chairman called the question with the following recorded vote: Ayes – Siepker, Aden, Ives, Stauter; Nays – none. Whereby the resolution is duly adopted to-wit:

Resolution-2020-3-#11

Canceling Outstanding Checks

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 331.554(6) provides that if a check is outstanding for more than one year, it shall be canceled, removed from the list of outstanding checks, deposited to the account on which the check was written, and credited as unclaimed fees and trusts. The treasurer shall maintain a list of the checks for one year after cancellation. A person may claim the amount of the canceled treasurer's checks for a period of one year after cancellation upon proper proof of ownership by filing a claim with the county auditor.

The following checks from the Rural Service Fund have been outstanding for more than one year:

Disbursement #231734, Audit #215549, issued 09/12/2017, \$25.00 to Patrick Mooney

Disbursement #232868, Audit #216451, issued 10/24/2017, \$16.07 to Kristine Williams

Disbursement #233129, Audit #216636, issued 11/14/2017, \$18.00 to Patricia Holtapp

Disbursement #239842, Audit #221640, issued 8/28/2018, \$375.00 to POC Network Technologies

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors that the checks mentioned above should be canceled and the original fund credited.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Stauter, to acknowledge the Moline Turkey Farm CAFO application and schedule the public hearing for Tuesday, March 24, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room of the Courthouse. Ayes all, motion carried. All landowners within one mile of the site will be notified by mail of the public hearing.

At 10:40 a.m., the Board proceeded with the Public Hearing on the maximum property tax dollars for the FY21 budget. Jepsen presented proof of publication. No one was present from the public and there were no written objections filed. Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve the maximum property tax dollars for the FY21 budget by resolution. Voice vote: Ayes – Siepker, Ives, Stauter, Dewey; Nays-none. Whereby the Chairman declared the resolution duly adopted to-wit:

Resolution- 2020-03-#12

Approval of FY 20/21 Maximum Property Tax Dollars

WHEREAS, the Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors have considered the proposed FY 20/21 county maximum property tax dollars for both General County Services and Rural County Services, and

WHEREAS, a notice concerning the proposed county maximum property tax dollars was published as required and posted on county web site and/or social media accounts if applicable,

WHEREAS, a public hearing concerning the proposed county maximum property tax dollars was held on March 3, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Pocahontas County that the maximum property tax dollars for General County Services and Rural County Services for FY 20/21 shall not exceed the following:

General County Services: \$4,528,467; an increase of 2% from the prior year

Rural County Services: \$2,347,014; an increase of 2% from the prior year
The Maximum Property Tax dollars requested in either General County Services or Rural County Services for FY 20/21 represents an increase of 102% from the Maximum Property Tax dollars requested for FY 19/20.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Aden, to set the FY21 Budget hearing for Tuesday, March 24, 2020, at 10:30 a.m. in the Supervisors Room of the Courthouse. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Utility Permit for Windstream Iowa Communications, LLC. Ayes all, motion carried. The purpose is to place a new buried 48-strand fiber from an existing PED on 630th St. to the new cell tower site at 62010 100th Avenue.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, presented two proposals from bridge consultants for the Marshall 242 bridge, located between 19/30 Marshall. Bolton & Menk for \$34,755 and I&S Group for \$44,900.00. Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to accept the bid from Bolton & Menk for the bridge design for \$34,755.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

Moellering and the Board discussed the N-28 project: the possibility of using an inspection service on an on call basis for the project; the design of the road; and the upcoming preconstruction meeting. Discussion of other Roads concerns took place.

Weekly meetings: Siepker-Upper Des Moines, County Social Services, and Department Head meeting; Aden-PCERS, Solid Waste, and Midas; Ives-PCERS, Solid Waste, and Department Head meeting; Stauter-CFR, and drainage concerns; and Dewey-Region V Hazematt, LEPC, and Safety Committee concerns. All Supervisors attended FY21 Budget meeting.

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

Jeffrey K. Ives, Chairman

Kelly A. Jepsen, Auditor