

Supervisors Room, Courthouse  
Pocahontas, Iowa  
August 6, 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; landowners, Don Beneke and John Sobotka.

Motion by Dewey, seconded by Aden, to approve the minutes from July 30, 2019 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

Kelly Campbell, Census Bureau, was not present for the Board Meeting.

At 10:15 a.m., a conference call was held with Palo Alto County to discuss a simple clean out of approximately one mile of open ditch in Jt. DD 85. The full minutes are available for review in the Auditor's office.

Marius Agua & Alex Thornton, with North Raccoon River Watershed Management Coalition, gave an update on the Swan Lake Initiative. The original, larger project, has been discarded and new, smaller designs, which will only include the property where the landowners are willing participants is being considered.

Sherri Richardson and Diane Ferguson, from Public Health, discussed purchasing electronic records software. Motion was made by Dewey, seconded by Aden, to authorize Public Health to purchase Bright Tree electronic records software. Ayes all, motion carried.

Gary Atherton, Assistant to the Engineer & Drainage Clerk, advised of Jt. DD 181 Interim Board's concern about the drainage districts paying for private landowner's pipe that connects to the districts' tile. Jim Hudson, Drainage Attorney, joined the conversation telephonically. Hudson believes this issue needs to be addressed by the entire Joint Board during their annual meeting in January. Until then, the Interim Board will not authorize payments for landowner's pipe. Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve two Jt. DD 181 claims from Pocahontas County Secondary Roads for material, each in the amount of \$213.60. Ayes all, motion carried.

Paul Greufe, PJ Greufe & Associates, and the Board discussed the Secondary Roads' Addendum to the Employee Handbook for call out, overtime, and pyramiding of overtime. Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, approve call out (option 1), overtime (option 2), and pyramiding of overtime be added to the Employee Handbook. Ayes all, motion carried.

**Call Out (Option 1)**-When employees are called out to work during non-scheduled hours, they shall receive overtime pay at the rate of one and one-half times their regular pay, for a minimum of 2 hours.

**Overtime (Option 2)**-Only actual hours worked shall count for computation of overtime. Employees may request compensatory time with the approval of the Department Head. (Partial excerpt from current Employee Handbook.)

**Pyramiding of Overtime**- At no time shall an employee be compensated more than one and one-half times their normal hourly rate of pay for any hour(s) worked.

Palmer Mayor, Robert Rosenboom and Councilwoman, Jacki Conklin, addressed the City of Palmer's frustrations with King Construction. Chairman Ives called Don Etler, Engineer with Bolton & Menk. Etler will meet with representative from the City of Palmer on Thursday morning. Motion by Aden, seconded by Stauter, to table approving DD 47 Br. F Change Order #4 and Pay Request #8 from King Construction until more information is available. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Dewey, seconded by Aden, approve the following joint drainage ditch claims to the Pocahontas County Auditor for drainage ditch assessment cost. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jt. DD 25-39, \$45.29

Jt. DD 1-54 MOD, \$28.02

Jt. DD 46-88 MOD, \$22.77

Jt. DD 9-13 MOD, \$204.06

Jt. DD 35-37, \$8.18

Jt. DD 13 Waterway, \$9.39

Motion by Dewey, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plans: (1) PI 229 Finisher – ID# 64827 located in the NW NW Sec. 21, Belleville Township with Prestage Farms of Iowa LLC as owner, and Dennis Benning as contact person; (2) Skog Robert – ID# 57844 located in the NE NE, Sec. 36 Fairfield Township, BV Co. with Bob Skog as owner & contact person; (3) Petersen Kenny – ID# 58221 located in the SW SE, Sec. 21 Cummins Township with Kenny Petersen as owners & contact person; and (4) Cedar Creek Livestock Turkey Facility – ID# 66271 located in the NW NE, Sec. 25 Dover Township with Mark Wells as owner & contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jepsen advised the Board that the FY18 audit for Pocahontas County has been released and copies are available for review in the Auditor's office as well as on the County's website.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, was unavailable for the meeting.

Weekly meetings: Siepker-Department Head meeting; Aden-Palmer City Council; Ives-Solid Waste duties and Department Head meeting; and Dewey-met with Governor Reynolds, Lt. Governor Gregg, and Senator Kraayenbrink.

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

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Jeffrey Ives, Chairman

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Kelly Jepsen, Auditor