

May 7, 2001

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met on the above date in the third floor conference room of the Mahaska County Courthouse at 9:00 a.m. Members present were: Howard Groenendyk, Greg Gordy and Henry VanWeelden. Also present was Joleen Arnold CPC, Sara Hunt County Relief Director, Michelle Moore Mahaska County Agricultural and Rural Development Committee, Paul DeGeest deputy sheriff, Charles VanToorn County Sheriff, Bill Mick Director Mental Health Center, Dennis Luebbe County Engineer, David Schimmel, Melinda Waddell, Lori Faybik reporter for the Ottumwa Courier, Kay Swanson, County Auditor. Chairman Groenendyk opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the minutes for April 16th; April 19th and April 30th. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the bills for April in the amount of \$681,143.72 and payroll in the amount of \$331,742.44. All ayes. Motion carried.

The matter of the Courthouse Security Plan was tabled until the May 21st meeting.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the temporary change in the County Relief Policy for assistance with utilities. These changes will start with May 1, 2001 and conclude June 30, 2001. The change is due to the high heating costs for this winter. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the Interim Assistance Reimbursement Agreement and to authorize the chairman to sign the document. All ayes. Motion carried.

Joleen Arnold, CPC and Bill Mick from the Mental Health Center discussed the financial condition of the South Central Mental Health Center. It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to fund the Mental Health Center an additional \$23,000.00 for fiscal year 2001. All ayes. Motion carried. Mahaska Supervisors will contact the Marion County Supervisors for additional funds to finish this fiscal year.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the contract for transportation services with 10-15 Transit for fiscal year 2002. All ayes. Motion carried.

During input from the public: Melinda Waddell discussed the amount she was paid for right of way for the Dean Avenue project. Her valuation for 2001 had increased and she was reimbursed on the 2000 value. Dennis Luebbe, County Engineer told the board that the normal process was used in doing her reimbursement. No action was taken.

Michelle Moore from the Mahaska County Agricultural and Rural Development gave her monthly report for March 12th to April 9th 2001.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden that the county's allotment of the Local Option Sales tax be used for Property Tax Relief in the General Funds effective January 1, 2002. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to publish the notice of Noxious Weeds in the official newspapers. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the Union contract beginning July 1, 2001 for a two year period. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to place Philip Anderson on the secondary road payroll as temporary summer help at \$8.00 per hour beginning May 7, 2001. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the request of the Child Support Dept. to place Valerie Smithberg on the payroll beginning May 7, 2001 at a salary of \$19,800.00. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the request of the Auditor to place Sheryl Shaw on the payroll as Real Estate Deputy effective May 7, 2001 at 60% of the Auditor's salary and to increase Sue Brown to 75%, increase Jody Gott to 67%; and Teresa Paige to 62% of the Auditor's salary. All ayes. Motion carried.

Dennis Luebbe, County Engineer gave the board specification sheets for purchasing a Motorgrader for study. He plans to place it on next board meeting's agenda.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the IDOT voucher for plans for the Beacon Bridge project for \$86.10. All ayes. Motion carried.

Dennis Luebbe, County Engineer gave the board for their review a draft resolution for the Salt Storage Facility.

Chairman Groenendyk appointed the following to the Rural Subdivision Ordinance Committee: Dennis Luebbe County Engineer, Kay Swanson County Auditor, Diane McMahan County Assessor, Charles Stream County Attorney, Larry Stevens City Engineer, Randy DeGeest City Attorney, Lyle Siefeling and Steve Walters. This committee will work with Chris Bowers from Regional Planning.

No decisions were made on the matter of the Union Mills access today.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the contract for land acquisition for the Beacon bridge replacement project with Henry Lee and Joann Miller in care of Jackie Hughes. All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Howard Groenendyk, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Kay Swanson, County Auditor