

November 22, 2004

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met on the above date at 9:00 a.m. in regular session in the third floor conference room of the Mahaska County courthouse. Present were the following board members: Chairman Lawrence Rouw; Vice Chairman Henry W. VanWeelden and Member Greg Gordy. Also present were the following: Michelle Moore, Mahaska County Ag & Rural Development; Eric Coop, Oskaloosa Herald; Carl Salmons, Attorney for the Board; Charles Stream, Mahaska County Attorney; Mike Gipple, Mahaska County Conservation Director; Gary Smith, Mahaska County Assessor; Joe Albright, Secondary Road Dept.; Kirby Moss; Employee Group Services; Jerry Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer; Charles VanToorn, Mahaska County Sheriff; Joe Warrick; Christina Straube, Emily Voss; Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor

Chairman Rouw called the meeting to order with a moment of silence.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the agenda. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the minutes of October 15, 18th and November 8, 2004. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Michelle Moore from the Mahaska County Agricultural & Rural Development Committee gave her monthly report to the board.

Charles Stream discussed the matter of the wages owed to Carrie Ferguson with the board. It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to have the board's attorney (Carl Salmons) to file a declatory motion with the court on the matter of the back wages owed to Carrie Ferguson. Roll call vote: Gordy – aye; VanWeelden – nay; Rouw – aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden if all things are within reason the board will amend the County Attorney's budget at budget amendment time. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the request of the Mahaska County Conservation Director to reappoint Leroy Nugteren to the Mahaska County Conservation Board for a five year term. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The board discussed the matter of roadside encroachment with the Mahaska County Conservation director. (Mike Gipple.)

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to offer the position of the Roadside Vegetation Manager to Ben Hoskinson at a salary of \$30,000.00 beginning January 17th 2005. He will carry over his vacation and his hire date will be his original hire date. He

must pass the post offer pre employment test and drug screening. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to go into closed session pursuant to code section 21.5 (c) j. Time was 10:05 a.m.. Roll call vote: Gordy – aye; VanWeelden – aye; Rouw – aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to return to open session. Time was 10:15 a.m. Roll call vote: Rouw – aye; Gordy – aye; VanWeelden – aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to accept upon recommendation of the Mahaska County Conservation Board the potential land donation. Vote was two ayes – one nay. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve amendment #3 to the Mahaska County Health Plan Document. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Kirby Moss from Auziant formerly Employee Group Services discussed the matter of insurance coverage for newborns. He will return to the next board meeting with more information.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the following property tax credits at the same percentage that the state reimbursement: 5600 homestead credits; 1343 Military tax credits; 11,194 Agricultural Land Credit parcels; 5310 Family Farm Credit parcels. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the request of the Oskaloosa Chamber to have the public restrooms open on December 2, & 3 for the Lighted Christmas Parade. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the request of the Eddyville Public Library to appoint Jeremy VanWyk as the Mahaska County representative on the Eddyville Public Library Board of Trustees to fill an unexpired term ending June 30, 2006. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the amendment to plat certification for Cyphers Addition a subdivision of part of lot 3 of Garner's Addition of a part of the SE ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 13, Township 75 Range 15. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Final plans for the following road projects were signed by the board: Project No. BROS-CO62(50)—8J-62 and FM-co62(49)—55-62.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to give the engineer permission to negotiate with McCulley on a culvert replacement in Section 13 of Black Oak Township. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The budget information resolution was tabled until later date.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to adjourn. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Lawrence Rouw, Chairman Mahaska County
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor