

November 2, 2009

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on the above date in the third floor conference room of the Mahaska County courthouse. Present were the following board members: Chairman – Greg Gordy, vice chairman – Lawrence Rouw and member – Henry W. VanWeelden. Also present were the following: Scott Dailey, KBOE Radio; Duane Nollen, Oskaloosa Herald; Peggy Wright, Mahaska County Conservation Board; Curtis Jager, Mahaska County Conservation Board, Jim Gilliam, attorney; Lori Smith, Oskaloosa City Council; Pamela Blomgren, Oskaloosa City Council; Michael Schrock Jr., Oskaloosa City Manager; Rose Ann Mefford, Mahaska County Attorney; Jerome Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer, Beth Danowsky and Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor.

Communications Research Institute of William Penn College filmed this meeting.

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

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to approve the agenda for today's meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the minutes of October 19, 2009. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the bills for October in the amount of \$2,058,739.22. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Rose Ann Mefford, Mahaska County Attorney presented the board with a computer proposal for her office. The county would be paying for 20% of the cost. The matter was tabled until later date.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the application for a Class C Liquor License (LC) (Commercial) for Peppers, Inc. DBA The Peppertree located at 2274 Hwy 63 effective November 10, 2009 for one year. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to approve the request of the Mahaska County Recorder to close fund #28000 E-Commerce Fund and the balance to be transferred to fund #12000 Recorder's Record Management Fund in the amount of \$18.87. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the request of the Oskaloosa Chamber to keep the public restrooms open for the Christmas Parade on December 3rd and 4th. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The matter of the appointments to the landfill commission was tabled until later.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to approve the following Community Clean-up Policy. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP POLICY

Communities may request the assistance of the Mahaska County Secondary Road Department for their community clean-ups, provided that the requests:

1. Be requested through the County Engineer.
2. Be requested a minimum of 30 days prior to the clean-up.
3. Be approved by the Board of Supervisors.

The Board of Supervisors maintain that the first priority is the maintenance of the Mahaska County Secondary Road System and therefore reserves the right to cancel participation with any clean-up at any time.

Rose Ann Mefford, Mahaska County Attorney requested that the board go into closed session to discuss the employment issue pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(a) and Section 21.5 (c). It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to go into closed session. Time was 9:24 a.m. Roll call vote: Gordy – aye; VanWeelden – aye; Rouw aye. Motion carried.

At 10:10 a.m. it was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to return to open session. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the recommendation of Rose Ann Mefford, Mahaska County Attorney to suspend Michael Gipple immediately with pay pending further investigation. Roll call vote: Gordy – aye; Rouw – aye; VanWeelden – aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to authorize the chairman to sign the Federal Aid Agreement for a Surface Transportation Program Project. Iowa DOT Agreement No. 05-09-STP-068. Two aye – one nay. Motion carried.

The engineer discussed with the board about I-JOBS Projects. The engineer suggested several projects:

1. Combine with City I-JOBS funding for Lacey access
2. Combine with City I-JOBS funding for South F Improvements
3. Construct new County Shop on Hwy G5T for \$230,000. Shop will combine current Taintor and New Sharon shops salt/sand and aggregate storage.
4. Construct new County Shop combining Rose Hill, Barnes City, and Lacey shops. Estimated cost \$225,000.

No decisions were made today.

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

Greg Gordy, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor