August 21, 2000

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met on the above date at 9:00 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the courthouse with Howard Groenendyk, Daryl Cox and Chairman Greg Gordy present. Chairman Gordy opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Cox to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Cox to approve the following additions by Chairman Gordy: sign inventory and update on status of Dean Avenue. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Cox seconded by Groenendyk to approve the minutes for August 7, 2000. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Cox seconded by Groenendyk to approve and file the monthly report for the Veteran’s Affairs Department. All ayes. Motion carried.

Michelle Moore gave her monthly report for the Ag. and Rural Development Committee.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Cox to table the Petition for Tax Exemption or in the Alternative the Suspension or Abatement of Real Estate Taxes for Iowa Partners of the National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council, Inc. until Sept. 5, 2000 board meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Cox to table the proposal from American Network until Sept. 5, 2000. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Gordy to approve the partial release of mortgage and the corrective partial release for 2nd mortgage on the following described property: All that part of the North half of the Southeast Quarter of Section twenty-four, Township Seventy-seven, Range Sixteen, lying West of the right of way of the Minneapolis & St. Louis Railway Company; except the North 386.50 feet of the West 371.00 feet thereof. All ayes. Motion carried.

Marie Ware and Michelle Moore gave a presentation of the 5 steps Proposal to Build the Mahaska Community.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Cox that since we do not have a written agreement for the wireless fiber-optic system on file that County Attorney Charles Stream send a certified letter to Joe Crookham requesting same. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Cox seconded by Groenendyk to accept the draft 28E agreement with Regional Utility Service Systems and Mt. Sterling. All ayes. Motion carried.
It was moved by Cox seconded by Groenendyk to approve the following Resolution:
We the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors for said County, do hereby pass a Resolution pertaining to the Intergovernmental Agreement that created Regional Utility Service Systems (RUSS), and to provide authority for: Interim Financing through First National Bank in Fairfield, Iowa in the amount of $50,000.00. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Cox seconded by Groenendyk to approve the following Resolution:
We the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors, as a member of Regional Utility Service Systems (RUSS), do hereby approve and authorize RUSS to enter into a “Joint Agreement for the Erection, Maintenance, and Operation of Plants and Systems for Sanitary Sewer Services” with the City of Mt. Sterling, Iowa. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Cox to approve the following Resolution:

STOP AT INTERSECTION
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WHEREAS: the Board of Supervisors is empowered under authority of Sections 321.236 and 321.255 of the Code of Iowa to designate any secondary road intersection under their jurisdiction as a STOP intersection and to erect STOP signs at one or more entrances to such intersection, and

WHEREAS: traffic on Yale Ave. which is functionally classified as a Local road, is endangered by traffic from the east on 177th St. at the intersection located approximately ¼ mile north and 1/8 mile west of the SE corner of section 11-T76N-R14W, because of terrain and vegetation which limit sight distance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors that the secondary road approaches from the east be designated as “STOP approaches” to the above described intersection and that a STOP sign shall be erected accordingly.

Passed and Approved this 21 day of August, 2000.

Signed Greg Gordy
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest: Kay Swanson
County Auditor

County Engineer Dennis Luebbe updated the board on project estimates for Lynn Avenue, Indian Way and Suffolk Road.
Tom O’Brien and Kirby Moss from Employee Group Services updated the board with a mid-year review of our Health Insurance Plan.

The sign inventory for the Secondary Road Dept. is completed and the Engineer’s Dept. is checking it for accuracy. There is 6003 signs in the county.

It was moved by Cox seconded by Groenendyk to go into closed session to discuss pending litigation per Section 21.5 (i) Code of Iowa. Roll call vote: Groenendyk – aye; Cox – aye; Gordy – aye. Motion carried. Time was 12:15 p.m.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Cox to return to open session. Roll call vote: Groenendyk – aye; Gordy – aye; Cox – aye. Motion carried.

12:33 p.m. returned to open session. It was moved by Gordy seconded by Cox to accept the proposed settlement offer of $12,666.67 in the matter involving Ludden and to notify insurance company of settlement. Roll call vote: Cox – aye; Gordy – aye; Groenendyk – aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Cox to remove Shannon Van Alst from the Secondary Road payroll effective August 8, 2000 and to remove Reid Stevens from the Secondary Road payroll effective August 11, 2000. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Cox seconded by Groenendyk to approve the recommendation of the Engineer to place Randall Brostrom on the secondary road payroll full time effective August 22, 2000. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Cox seconded by Groenendyk to approve the request of the engineer to have Jerry Wright’s pay revert back to the current truck mechanic rate of $13.67 per hour. He will no longer be required to work on heavy equipment. All ayes. Motion carried.

The engineer updated the board on the status of Dean Avenue.

It was moved by Cox seconded by Groenendyk to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Greg Gordy, Chairman

ATTEST: __________________________
Kay Swanson, County Auditor