January 2, 2001

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met at 7:45 a.m. to count the cash in the County Treasurer’s office at close of business on December 31, 2000. In the Auto Department of the Treasurer’s office - $31,458.83 in cash and checks and a bad check in the amount of $167.00; in the Tax Department - $175,541.20 in cash and checks and $11,202,000.00 in Certificates of Deposit.

January 2, 2001

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the courthouse. Judge James P. Rielley gave the Oath of Office to the newly elected officials Henry W. VanWeelden, County Supervisor, Kay Swanson, County Auditor and Charles VanToorn, County Sheriff.

Chairman Gordy opened the meeting with a moment of silence. It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by VanWeelden to approve the agenda with the deletion of the December 18 and 28th minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to appoint Howard Groenendyk to be chairperson for 2001. All ayes. Motion carried. It was moved by Gordy seconded by Groenendyk to appoint Henry VanWeelden as Vice-Chair for 2001. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to set the first Monday and third Monday of each month at 9:00 for the regular meeting dates and that other meetings will be held as necessary. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden the following the board meeting on the third Monday of each month that a working session be held with the Engineer. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy that in the absence of the Chairman any of the Board members have the authority to sign documents for the County. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to name the Auditor and the Board of Supervisors as custodians of the courthouse. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to set the following 9 ½ days for holidays for when the courthouse will be closed in 2001. All ayes. Motion carried. New Years Day January 1st, President’s Day February 19th, Memorial Day May 28th, Independence Day July 4th, Labor Day September 3rd, Veterans Day November 12th,
Thanksgiving day and Friday after November 22\textsuperscript{nd} and 23\textsuperscript{rd}, ½ day Christmas Eve Day December 24\textsuperscript{th} and Christmas Day December 25\textsuperscript{th}. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Groenendyk to reappoint Kay Swanson, Auditor and Greg Gordy, Supervisor as Trustee and Alternate respectively to the Heartland Risk Insurance Board. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Groenendyk to name the Oskaloosa Herald, New Sharon Star and Fremont Gazette as the official newspapers for the year 2001 for Mahaska County. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the following resolution naming the depositories for County funds for the various offices for 2001 and till there is a need to increase the same. All ayes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NAMING DEPOSITORIES**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Mahaska County approves the following list of financial institutions to be depositories for the Mahaska County funds in conformance with all applicable provisions of Chapter 12C of the 1999 Code of Iowa as amended. The Treasurer, Sheriff, Recorder and Auditor are hereby authorized to deposit the Mahaska County funds in amounts not to exceed the maximum approved for each respective financial institution as set out below.

**Treasurer:**
- Mahaska State Bank Oskaloosa, Iowa $25,000,000.00;
- Iowa Trust and Savings Bank Oskaloosa, Iowa $10,000,000.00;
- Bank Iowa – Fremont – Oskaloosa $1,000,000.00;
- Firstar – New Sharon $1,000,000.00;
- Horizon Federal Saving Bank Oskaloosa, Iowa $1,000,000.00;
- Leighton State Bank – Leighton $1,000,000.00

**Sheriff:**
- Mahaska State Bank $1,000,000.00

**Recorder:**
- Mahaska State Bank $200,000.00

**Auditor:**
- Mahaska State Bank $10,000.00 for Jackson Cemetery Association Time Certificates.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the quarterly reports for the Sheriff and Auditor. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to reappoint Calvin VanArkel to the Mahaska County Board of Health for another 3 year term ending December 31, 2003. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to reappoint Joleen Nelson Arnold to the Board of Health with no voting privileges. All ayes. Motion carried.
It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to reappoint Joleen Nelson Arnold to the Planning Council. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the bills for December 2000 in the amount of $468,062.94 and payroll in the amount of $338,403.02. All ayes. Motion carried. Charles Stream advised the board that in chapter 331 of the code of Iowa the Supervisors must approve the claims for payment.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve 4401 Family Farm Credits, 5480 Homestead Credit Applications and 11428 Military Tax Credits for taxes payable for fiscal year 2001-2002. All ayes. Motion carried.

Dawn Stephens, executive director of the Mahaska County Crisis Intervention Services discussed with the board a request for funding in the amount of $2000.00 for 2001-2002. They opened a center on September 1 in Mahaska County. No decisions were made at this time.

Chris Snyder, Weed commissioner and Mike Gipple from the Conservation Dept discussed with the board the possibility of sharing the cost of some new equipment that would be beneficial to both departments. This is a ATV 6 Wheeler costing approximately $8000 to 11,000. No decisions were made both departments will be adding this to their budget requests.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to appoint Chris Snyder as the Weed Commissioner for Mahaska County. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the request of the Conservation board to appoint Curtis Jager to a five year term on the Mahaska County Conservation Board with term expiring December 31, 2005. All ayes. Motion carried.

Daryl Bouwkamp discussed tax abatement with the supervisors on a property that he has moved a house to in Section 5 Township 76 Range 17 near Peoria. The house he moved is know as the “Spite House” which was located along highway 163. The board made no decision today.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Groenendyk to approve the following resolution. All ayes. Motion carried.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of MAHASKA COUNTY, IOWA to provide equal opportunity to all employees, applicants, and program beneficiaries; to provide equal opportunity for advancement of employees; to provide program and employment facilities which are accessible to the handicapped; and to administer its programs in a manner which does not
discriminate against any person because of race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap, age, political affiliation, or citizenship.

The BOARD OF SUPERVISORS has ultimate responsibility for the overall administration of the affirmative action/equal opportunity program. The total integration of equal opportunity into all parts of personnel and program management is the BOARD OF SUPERVISORS responsibility. The BOARD OF SUPERVISORS will review all policies and procedures as they affect equal opportunity and affirmative action and ensure compliance with relevant federal and state statues.

The right of appeal and recourse is guaranteed by the COUNTY. Any person who feels that he or she has been denied employment, participation, representation, or services in any program administered by the COUNTY because of race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, handicap, political affiliation, disability or citizenship has the right to file an equal opportunity complaint. Information and assistance relative to equal opportunity complaints shall be provided by the BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, who can be contacted at: MAHASKA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, OSKALOOSA, IOWA 52577.

This Equal Opportunity Policy of the COUNTY shall be posted in conspicuous places within the facility, distributed to all employees, contractors, and to the chairpersons of all advisory and policy-making groups.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED this 2nd day of January, 2001.

MAHASKA COUNTY, IOWA

S/Howard Groenendyk
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: __________________________
Kay Swanson, County Auditor

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to reappoint Ben Mayer to the Pioneer Cemetery Commission for another three year term ending December 31, 2003. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to leave the committees that the Supervisors serve on to remain the same as last year. All ayes. Motion carried.

Howard Groenendyk:
Eighth Judicial District
Mahaska Development
Area 15 Regional Planning
T-21
Ten-Fifteen (10-15)
Mahaska Community Recreation Foundation
Team Mahaska
28E Southeast Iowa Consortium Contracting Board
E911 Service Board - Chairman
Union Negations – chairman

Greg Gordy:
Mahaska County Board of Health
Courthouse Security Committee – Chairman
Southern Iowa Economic Development Association
Iowa State Association of Counties
Mahaska County Humane Society
Indian Hills Regional Development Group
Mahaska County Solid Waste Commission
Mahaska/Wapello Planning Council
Heartland Insurance Risk Pool
Law Enforcement Committee (City-County)
Emergency Management Board

Henry W. (Willie) VanWeelden:
Chamber of Commerce
Juvenile Detention
Pathfinders
South IA Crime Prevention
Local Elected Officials
South Central Mental Health
Southeast Iowa Response Group
Social Services Commission
Empowerment Board
Regional Utility Service
Emergency Management
Area on Aging

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to move the discussion of the
Compensation Board’s recommendations and the Health insurance rates to the January 8,
2001 meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the following resolution
and to authorize the chairman to sign. All ayes. Motion carried.

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: Section 306.41 of the Code of Iowa provides that “The agency having
Jurisdiction and control over any highway in the state, or the chief
Engineer of said agency when delegated by such agency, may temporarily
close sections of a highway by formal resolution entered upon the minutes of such agency when reasonable and necessary because of construction, reconstruction, maintenance or natural disaster and shall cause to be erected ROAD CLOSED signs and partial or total barricades in the roadway at each end of the closed highway section and on the closed highway where that highway is intersected by other highways if such intersections remains open. Any numbered road closed for over forty-eight hours shall have a designated detour route. The agency having jurisdiction over a section of highway closed in accordance with the provisions of this section, or the persons or contractors employed to carry out the construction, reconstruction, or maintenance of the closed section of highway, shall not be liable for any damages to any vehicle that enters the closed section of highway or the contents of such vehicle or for any injuries to any person that enters the closed section of highway, unless the damages are caused by gross negligence of the agency or contractor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors that the County Engineer be authorized to close Mahaska County Secondary roads as necessary with the actual dates of closure to be determined by the County Engineer as follows:

FOR CONSTRUCTION: Any project as described in the approved Mahaska County Secondary Road Construction Program for the current fiscal year and any approved supplements thereto.

FOR EMERGENCY CLOSURE of any road for maintenance purposes: Any route deemed necessary by the Mahaska County Engineer.

Passed an approved this 2\textsuperscript{nd} day of January, 2001.

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Howard Groenendyk, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:________________________
County Auditor

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

RESOLUTION
BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Mahaska County, Iowa, that Dennis Luebbe, the County Engineer of Mahaska County, Iowa be and is hereby designated, authorized and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the certification of completion of work and final acceptance thereof in accordance with plans and specifications in connection with all Farm-to-Market and federal or state aid construction projects in this county.

Dated at Oskaloosa, Iowa this 2nd day of January, 2001.

Board of Supervisors:
Mahaska County, Oskaloosa, Iowa

Howard Groenendyk
Henry W. VanWeelden
Greg Gordy

ATTEST:
By ____________________________
   County Auditor

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

RESOLUTION setting Land and Fence Prices for Road and Bridge Projects.
It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the Engineer’s recommendation for the purchase of right-of-way as follows:

   Land owner to be paid two and one-half (2 ½) times the assessed value per acre, $3.00 per rod for fence removal, $10.00 per rod for installing a legal barb wire fence, and $15.00 per rod for installing a woven wire or 8 strand high tensile fence.

   Fence must be removed or installed by the owner before being compensated.

   If the land is not fenced at time of right-of-way purchase there will be no payment for either fence removal or fence installation.

Passed and Approved this 2nd day of January, 2001.

Howard Groenendyk
Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Henry W. VanWeelden
Member, Board of Supervisors
The discussion of Dean Ave. right of way will be on January 8, 2001 at 9 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the courthouse.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Chairman Howard Groenendyk

ATTEST: _______________________
Kay Swanson, County Auditor