May 6, 2002

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.. Present were the following board members: Howard Groenendyk; Greg Gordy and Henry W. VanWeelden. Also present were the following: Robert Kelley, Country Life Health Care, Inc.; Greg Drije, Oskaloosa Community School Board; Chris Snyder, Weed Commissioner; Lori Faybik, Ottumwa Courier; Sally Finder, Oskaloosa Herald; Lloyd Schaufenbuel; James Gosselink from Group Specialists, Inc; Jerome Nusbaum, County Engineer; Marla Knight, Iowa Telecom Communications; and Kay Swanson, County Auditor. Chairman VanWeelden opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Gordy to approve the agenda with the deletion of the Discussion of Burial Contracts until next meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Gordy to approve the minutes of the April 15th, 2002 meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Gordy to approve the bills for April in the amount of $462,002.60 and payroll in the amount of $363,120.93. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Robert Kelley from Country Life Health Care Inc. discussed with the board the additional services agreement for 2002-2003. He will come back on May 20th with the annual contracts and this additional services agreement.

Greg Driji from the Oskaloosa Community School Board discussed the site location of the new elementary building with the board. He stated that the School Board is still pursuing the VanderWilt site. The discussion was whether or not the site could be changed because the voters voted on the VanderWilt site. County Attorney Charles Stream advised the board that the site could not be changed.

Lloyd Schaufenbuel from Group Specialists, Inc. and James P. Gosselink from Tulip City Agency Ltd. discussed the possibility of giving quotes to the county for health insurance benefits. They discussed the possibility of joining the City and County into one group.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Groenendyk to approve the quarterly report for the quarter ending March 31, 2002 for the Recorder. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Gordy to approve the request of Chris Snyder, Weed Commissioner to increase the pay for Rod VanDonselaar to $9.50 per hour beginning July 1, 2002. All present voted aye. Motion carried.
It was moved by Gordy seconded by Groenendyk to approve the request of the County Treasurer to approve the request of the County Treasurer to remove Sandra Cranston from the treasurer’s payroll effective April 24, 2002. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Groenendyk to approve the request of the County Treasurer to change the salary for Connie Schippers from 65% deputy to 70% deputy effective April 29th, 2002. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Groenendyk to approve the renewal license for off-premise liquor, wine or beer permit for Casey’s General Store #1026 at 2023 Indian Way (Beacon) Oskaloosa, including Sunday Sales Privileges. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to appoint James W. VandeVoort and Alan D. Menninga to the Pella Planning and Zoning Commission and to the Pella Board of Adjustment to be effective May 6, 2002 for the term of five (5) years beginning May 6, 2002. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Gordy to approve the request of New Sharon and Fremont for assistance from the Secondary Road Department for Clean-up days in New Sharon on May 1, 2, & 3 and June 6th and 7th in Fremont. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Groenendyk to accept the audit report of Mahaska County for the year ended June 30, 2001. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

At the work session with the engineer:
Discussion of entrance pipes; mowing weeds along roadside; new entrance at the county shop; county auction of excess equipment; first aid training.

11:20 a.m. Marla Knight from Iowa Telecom Communications, Inc. discussed telephone service with the board. No decisions were made today, will get more information.

Meeting adjourned.

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Henry W. VanWeelden, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST ________________________________
Kay Swanson, County Auditor