July 21, 2003

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met on the above date at 9:00 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the Mahaska County courthouse. Present were the following board members: Lawrence Rouw and Greg Gordy. Henry W. VanWeelden was absent today. Also present were the following: Charles VanToorn, County Sheriff; Paul DeGeest, Deputy Sheriff; Michelle Moore, Mahaska County Rural and Agricultural Committee; Terry Brady, Mahaska County Rural and Agricultural Committee; Sone Scott, County Treasurer; R.D. Keep, Emergency Management Coordinator; Joe Bates and Michael Sytsma, Bates Funeral Chapel; Deanna Kelsey; Marla Knight, Iowa Telecom; Jolene Fincel and Frank Hansen, Mahaska Communications Group; Lori Faybik, Ottumwa Courier; Jerry Nusbaum, County Engineer; Joleen Arnold, Mahaska County CPC; Connie Kitzman, General Relief Director; Laura Buch, Case Manager; Kay Swanson, County Auditor.

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

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the agenda with the following additions setting the insurance rates for the Secondary Road Dept. and Springer Family. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Approval of the minutes of July 1st was tabled until the August 4th meeting.

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

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to sign the stipulation letter for the Public Employment Relations Board for the union discussions with the employees in the sheriff’s office. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The matter of the payroll change for the Sheriff’s department was tabled to the special meeting on July 28th.

The matter of telephone service with Mahaska Communications Group for the courthouse was tabled until the July 28th meeting. Mahaska Communications Group offered to pay up to $3000.00 for the buyout of the T-1 contract.

R.D. Keep, Emergency Management Coordinator presented the board with his annual report for fiscal year 2002-2003. He will be leaving July 27, 2003 through August 11, 2003 for training in Emmetsburg, Maryland. Bob Elder will be available during his absence.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the annual and semi-annual report of the treasurer for fiscal year 2003. All present voted aye. Motion carried.
Joe Bates and Michael Systma from Bates Funeral Chapel discussed a funeral bill with the board. The matter was tabled until the August 4th board meeting.

The matter of courthouse space was tabled until the August 4th meeting.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve changing the monthly telephone service from Qwest to Iowa Telecom on a monthly basis the service at the Department of Human Services Department. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to sign the following Local Council Designation for the Southern Iowa Economic Development Association. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Local Council Designation

To Whom It May Concern:

Under the authority granted by the state of Iowa and Mahaska County, We hereby designate SIEDA as the eligible Local Council for Mahaska County to be served by the Local Council for the purposes of the Early Learning Opportunities Act (ELOA) discretionary grant program. We also authorize SIEDA to develop and submit an application to the Administration of Child, Youth and Families, Child Care Bureau in response to the ELOA Program Announcement No. ACYF-PA-CCB-2003-01, and to administer the implementation of the project if funded.

We hereby authorize SIEDA to serve as the Fiscal Agent for itself and the Fiscal Agent’s Employer Identification Number (EIN) is: 42-0923813 and this EIN has been entered in Item 6 of the Application for Federal Assistance (SF-242).

As required under the statute governing ELOA, SIEDA includes: (1) Representatives of local agencies that will be directly affected by early learning programs assisted under the ELOA and this announcement, (2) parents; (3) other individuals concerned with early learning issues in the locality, such as representation of entities providing elementary education, child care resources and referral services, early learning opportunities, child care, and health services; and (4) other key community leaders.

SIEDA was responsible for preparing and submitting the enclosed application for ELOA discretionary grant program.

Sincerely,
Mahaska County Co. Board of Supervisors
Mahaska County Courthouse
Oskaloosa, Iowa 52577

s/ Greg Gordy  s/Lawrence Rouw
Signature                     Signature                      7-21-03
The matter of the air vents for the clock tower was tabled until August 4th meeting.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the Cyphers 2nd Addition a Sub-Division of part of Lot 3 of SE ¼ of Section 13 of Township 75 North, Range 15. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the request of Chris Snyder, Mahaska County Roadside Vegetation Manager to fix the rate of pay for his seasonal employee (Joe Hale) to be $10.00 beginning April 7th. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Jerry Nusbaum, County Engineer gave the board a list of projects completed, projects scheduled, status of ongoing projects, low bids, proposed additional projects, purchases for the secondary road department.

The matter of setting the health insurance rates for the secondary road union employees was tabled until the July 28th meeting.

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

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Chairman, Mahaska County Board
of Supervisors

ATTEST:__________________________
Kay Swanson, County Auditor