January 5, 2004

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met on the above date in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the Mahaska County courthouse. Present were the following board members: Lawrence Rouw, Greg Gordy and Henry W. VanWeelden. Also present were the following: Sone Scott, County Treasurer, Jerry Nusbaum, County Engineer; Joleen Arnold, CPC; Kay Swanson, County Auditor; Jerry Dickerson; Leroy Groenendyk.

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

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the agenda. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to appoint Lawrence Rouw as Chairman for 2004. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to appoint Henry W. VanWeelden as vice-chairman for 2004. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Rouw took over the meeting at this time.

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

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw that in the absence of the Chairman any of the board members have the authority to sign documents for the county. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to name the auditor and board of supervisors as custodians of the courthouse. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to set the following 9 ½ days for holidays for when the courthouse will be closed in 2004. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

New Year’s Day, January 1st,
President’s Day, February 16th,
Memorial Day, May 31st,
Independence Day, July 5th,
Labor Day, September 6th,
Veteran’s Day, November 11th,
Thanksgiving Day and Friday after Thanksgiving, November 25th and 26th,
It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to reappoint Kay Swanson, County Auditor and Greg Gordy, Supervisor as Trustee and alternate respectively to the Heartland Risk Insurance Pool Board. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to name Henry W. VanWeelden to the Sheriff’s Department Union Negotiations Committee. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to appoint the members of the Board of Supervisors to the following committees: All present voted aye. Motion carried.

**Chairman of the Board of Supervisors:**
E911 Service Board – chairman  
Secondary Road Union Negotiations – chairman  
County Conference Board – chairman  
Courthouse Security Committee – chairman  
School Sales Tax 28E Board – chairman

**Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors:**
Pella Planning and Zoning  
Sheriff Department Union Negotiations

**Henry W. VanWeelden:**
Oskaloosa Chamber of Commerce  
Juvenile Detention Commission for 8th Judicial District  
Pathfinders  
South Iowa Area Crime Prevention  
Workforce Development  
New Directions  
Social Services Commission  
Empowerment Board  
Regional Utilities System  
Emergency Management  
Area Agency on Aging  
DECAT

**Lawrence Rouw:**
Eighth Judicial District  
Mahaska County Agricultural & Rural Development  
Area 15 Regional Planning Commission  
Transportation – 21  
Ten-Fifteen (10-15) Transit Board  
Mahaska Community Recreation Foundation  
Southeast Iowa Response Team  
Chamber Economic Development
It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the minutes of December 15th, 2003 and January 2, 2004. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the bills for December 2003 in the amount of $1,069,314.49 and payroll in the amount of $423,438.11. Claims denied from June 4, 2003- $267.50. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the request of the treasurer for the following payroll changes in the treasurer’s office. Judy Stone from 70% to 74% of the treasurer’s salary and Connie Schippers from 76% to 80% of the treasurer’s salary all effective February 1, 2004. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Courthouse space was discussed but no decisions were made today.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the November, 2003 Veteran Affairs Commission monthly report. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the following resolution naming the depositories for county funds for the various offices for 2004 and till there is a need to increase the same. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NAMING DEPOSITORIES

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Mahaska County approved 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 2003 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:
Midwest One Bank & Trust – Oskaloosa, Iowa                          $25,000,000.00
First National Bank – Midwest – Oskaloosa, Iowa                             10,000,000.00
Bank Iowa – Fremont – Oskaloosa, Iowa                                              1,000,000.00
U.S.Bank, N.A. – New Sharon, Iowa                                                    1,000,000.00
Horizon Federal Savings Bank – Oskaloosa, Iowa                               1,000,000.00
Leighton State Bank – Leighton, Iowa                                                 1,000,000.00

Sheriff:
Midwest One Bank & Trust – Oskaloosa, Iowa                                  $1,000,000.00

Recorder:
Midwest One Bank & Trust – Oskaloosa, Iowa                                  $  300,000.00

Auditor:
Midwest One Bank & Trust – Oskaloosa, Iowa                                     $10,000.00
for Jackson Cemetery Association Time Certificates.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the Oskaloosa Herald as the official newspaper for Mahaska County for 2004. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy that Mahaska County is not interested in signing the Construction Evaluation Resolution for this year. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the following Equal Opportunity Policy Statement. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. ____________________

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 statutes.
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 5th day of January, 2004.

MAHASKA COUNTY, IOWA

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CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:__________________________
COUNTY AUDITOR

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the 2nd quarter quarterly reports for fiscal year 2003-2004 for the Auditor and Sheriff. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve placing Matthew Boeck on the payroll as GIS Coordinator beginning January 5, 2004 at a salary of $35,000.00 with an increase of $2000.00 at the end of 5 months with positive review of the GIS committee. One – nay; Two – aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to reappoint Calvin VanArkel to the Board of Health for a three year term ending December 31, 2006 and to appoint Tobin Jacks for the unexpired term of Jon Lubke expiring December 31, 2005. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The compensation board’s recommendation for elected official’s salaries was for fiscal year 2004-2005 was tabled until January 19, 2004.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve 5,596 homestead applications; 1377 military applications; 50 new family farm applications for 2003 payable 2004-2005. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the following to the Compensation Commission in accordance with Iowa Code Section 6B.4 entitled “Commission to Access Damages”. All present voted aye. Motion carried.
Compensation Commission Members - January 2004:

**Farm Owner Operator:**
- Richard VandeHaar
- Ken VanGilst
- Wayne DeBruin
- Arie Ringelstein
- Charles Oldham
- Homer Ferguson
- Ted VerSteegh
- Dean Thomas
- Ernest Klaaren
- Bayard Phillips

**City Owner:**
- Stan Bruxvoort
- Larry Applegate
- Melvin Brummel
- R. Keith Parlett
- Gordon Lindblom
- Ray Gasperi
- Gary Goldsmith
- Lowell Lenarz
- Lester Fynaardt

**Realtor:**
- Robert Gatton
- John F. Garner
- Darlene Richards
- Tim Murry
- George Richard Wiedmann
- Connie Burke
- Russell Sparks
- Jim Lorber
- Bonnie Bailey

**Auctioneer-Banker-Farm Manager:**
- Harry Kool
- Robert Shuman
- John Terpstra
- Ed Sullivan
- Ken VanHulzen
- Lyle Siefering
- William Bruxvoort
- Mark Hansen
- Owen Vermeer

Discussion of the charges for mapping services was tabled until January 19, 2004.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to appoint Edd Elder of Fremont to the Pioneer Cemetery Commission for a three year term ending December 31, 2006. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to reappoint Jeanie Bieri to the Stephen Memorial Animal Shelter for a two year term ending December 31, 2005. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The matter of health insurance for retiree health insurance was discussed with Jerry Dickerson. No changes were made.

At the time for public comment: Leroy Groenenedyk spoke in favor of placing GPS (Global Positioning Systems) in the county’s work vehicles. It would be a good management tool.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to adjourn. All present voted aye. Motion carried.
Lawrence Rouw, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____________________________
Kay Swanson, County Auditor