January 3, 2005

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met on the above date at 7:45 a.m. in the Treasurer’s Office of the Mahaska County courthouse to count the cash at calendar year end for 2004. Present were the following board members: Lawrence Rouw, Henry W. VanWeelden and Greg Gordy. Also present were Sone Scott, County Treasurer and Kay Swanson, County Auditor.

Cash counted was:  
Automobile Department: $25,894.99  
Tax Department: $162,362.78  
Investments: $10,300,000.00  

Meeting adjourned.

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Lawrence Rouw, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _________________________
Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor

January 3, 2005

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; Henry W. VanWeelden; and Greg Gordy. Also present were: R.D. Keep, Emergency Management Coordinator; Don DeKock, Deputy Sheriff; Paul DeGeest, Mahaska County Sheriff; Jerome Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer; Frank Hansen, Mahaska Communications Group, Scott Ewing, Mahaska Communications Group; Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor.

Chairman Rouw opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the agenda with the following amendments: Sheriff’s Quarterly and Auditor’s Quarterly report and to remove the Veterans affairs report. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to appoint Henry W. VanWeelden as Chairman for 2005. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to appoint Greg Gordy as vice-chairman for 2005. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Chairman VanWeelden took over the meeting at this time.
It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw 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 Rouw 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 Gordy seconded by Rouw to set the following 9 ½ days for holidays for when the courthouse will be closed in 2005. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

New Year’s Day, January 1st
President’s Day, February 21st
Memorial Day, May 30th
Independence Day, July 4th
Labor Day, September 5th
Veteran’s Day, November 11th
Thanksgiving Day and Friday after Thanksgiving, November 24th and 25th
½ day Christmas Eve Day, December 23rd
and Christmas Day, December 26th.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to name the Oskaloosa Herald as the official newspaper for 2005. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to reappoint Kay Swanson, County Auditor and Greg Gordy as Trustee and alternate respectively to the Heartland Insurance Risk Pool Board of Trustees. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw 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

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

Henry W. VanWeelden:
Oskaloosa Chamber of Commerce
Juvenile Detention Commission for 8th District
Pathfinders
South Iowa Area Crime Prevention
Workforce Development
New Directions
Social Services Commission
Empowerment Board
Regional Utility Service Systems
Emergency Management Commission
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
28E Southeast Iowa Consortium Contracting Board

**Greg Gordy:**
Mahaska Community Board of Health
Southern Iowa Economic Development Association
Iowa State Association of Counties
Mahaska County Humane Society
Indian Hills Community College Regional Development Commission
Mahaska County Solid Waste Commission
Heartland Insurance Risk Pool
Law Enforcement Committee (City-County)
Emergency Medical Services
Team Mahaska County
School Sales Tax 28E Board

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the following resolution naming the depositories for county funds for the various offices for 2005 and till there is a need to increase the same. All present voted aye. Motion carried. The board requested that the Treasurer get letters from each bank for the limits.

**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 Rouw to approve the following Equal Opportunity Policy Statement. All present voted aye. 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 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 3rd day of January, 2005.

MAHASKA COUNTY, IOWA

Henry W. VanWeelden, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: ________________________________
Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw 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 2005:

Farm Owner Operator:  City Owner:
Richard VandeHaar        Stan Bruxvoort
Ken VanGilst             Larry Applegate
Wayne DeBruin           Melvin Brummel
Arie Ringelstein         R. Keith Parlett
Charles Oldham           Gordon Lindblom
Homer Ferguson           Ray Gasperi
Ted VerSteegh           Gary Goldsmith
Dean Thomas              Lowell Lenarz
Ernest Klaaren           Lester Fynaardt
Bayard Phillips

Realtor:  Auctioneer-Banker-Farm Manager:
Robert Gatton             Harry Kool
John F. Garner           Robert Shuman
Darlene Richards         John Terpstra
Tim Murry                Ed Sullivan
George Richard Wiedmann   Ken VanHulzen
Connie Burke             Lyle Siefering
Russell Sparks     William Bruxvoort
Jim Lorber         Mark Hansen
Bonnie Bailey     Owen Vermeer

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2004 board meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the Heartland Risk Pool – Risk Pool Agreement beginning July 1, 2005 for five years. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

R.D. Keep discussed a Memorandum of Understanding with the board for evacuation of the Oskaloosa Elementary School. He will bring a new agreement to the next board meeting.

Sheriff Paul DeGeest and Deputy Don DeKock discussed the grant money that is received for the purchase of a vehicle for the Crime Prevention Department. It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy that Don DeKock would apply for the grant again and that he would purchase a pickup with this grant. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy that Sheriff DeGeest investigate and get the best interest rate in Mahaska County banks for the purchase of this vehicle with the Crime Prevention Grant money. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the request of the sheriff to increase the mileage rate to 40.5 cents per mile for serving papers. This is the IRS rate effective January 1, 2005. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the bills for December 2004 in the amount of $1,192,383.82 and payroll in the amount of $395,528.34. None denied. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to reappoint Leroy Nugteren and Judy Swanson to the Pioneer Cemetery Commission for three year terms ending December 31, 2007. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to approve the 2nd quarter report for fiscal year 2004-2005 for the sheriff. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The board discussed the relocating of voting precincts in Oskaloosa since the elementary buildings in Oskaloosa will be closed this month. Possible choices were to combine 1st and 4th wards into one and 2nd and 3rd into one. No decisions were made today.
RESOLUTION setting Land and Fence Prices for Road and Bridge Projects.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw 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 3rd day of January, 2005.

s/Henry W. VanWeelden,
Chairman, Board of Supervisors
s/Greg Gordy
Member, Board of Supervisors
Lawrence Rouw,
Member, Board of Supervisors

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the following resolution. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Mahaska County, Iowa, that Jerome T. Nusbaum, 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 therefore in connection with all Farm-to-Market construction projects in this county.

Dated at Oskaloosa, Iowa this 3rd day of January, 2005.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Mahaska County, Iowa that Jerome Nusbaum, 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 therefore in connection with all United States
It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to change the telephone service to Mahaska Communications Group at the Secondary Road Office and to include the long distance service with the prices to be intact until June 30, 2006. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

During the work session with the engineer the overlay of the Glendale road was discussed. Mr. Gordy will talk with the city.

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