March 6, 2006

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: Chairman – Greg Gordy; Vice chairman – Lawrence Rouw and Supervisor – Henry W. VanWeelden. Also present were the following: Terry Holub, New Sharon Sun; Scott Dailey, KBOE Radio; Sue Salisbury, Oskaloosa Herald; Connie Kitzmann, Mahaska County Community Relief Department; David Dixon, Mayor of Oskaloosa; Don Russell, Mahaska County Sanitarian; Miranda Hanselman, Director Mahaska County Agricultural and Rural Development; Jon Sullivan, Oskaloosa Chamber; Mary Sexton, Mahaska County Clerk of Court; Jerome Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer; Scott Feldt, Oskaloosa Chamber; Michael Gipple, Mahaska County Conservation Director; Joe Warrick; Donald Sandor, Oskaloosa City Manager; Angela Shaw, Melvin Vonk, Vern Thorp, Marianela Ancona, Ann Brouwer, Cornie Brouwer, J.D. Fleener, Myron Gordin, Jimmy Carter, Aaron VerSteeg, Jim Wake, Lyle VanderMeiden, Aaron VanderMeiden, Jim VandeVoort and Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor.

Chairman Gordy opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to approve the agenda as amended with the following additions: Lyle VanderMeiden; and Veterans Affairs Monthly Report – February. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the minutes of February 10th and 21st. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the bills for February in the amount of $269,607.43 and payroll in the amount of $397,724.92. None denied. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the Mahaska County Burial Policy. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to approve and sign the Agreement between Mahaska County Sheriff’s Office and Teamsters Local Union 238 for fiscal year July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The board discussed the 60% room and board charges with the sheriff and the concensus was that the money collected had been spent for additional salary expenses for staff in the sheriff’s department. The auditing firm had requested information on this matter.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to put the Forfeiture Funds from the Sheriff’s Department into the county’s bookkeeping system. All present voted aye. Motion carried.
It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the monthly report for February, 2006 for the Veterans Affairs Commission. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The matter of the appointments to the Veterans Affairs Commission was tabled until later date.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to amend the motion made on February 21st for the VanderLinden proposal that they have until 9:00 a.m. on the 3rd day of April, 2006 to give written response to that proposal. If not received then the proposal is withdrawn. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve Change Order No. 1 for the courtroom remodeling project with Warwick Construction. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve and sign the Final Plan for the Historic Eddyville Cemetery Road Reconstruction Project No: STP-E-CO62(45)—8V-62. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to change the effective date of employment for Scott Schippers to be March 6, 2006. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

10:00 a.m. It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to open the public hearing for the fiscal year 2006-2007 County Budget. All present voted aye. Motion carried. There was present a quorum as required by law. There upon the board investigated and found that the notice and time and place of hearing have according to law and as directed by the Board, has been published in the Oskaloosa Herald on February 15th, New Sharon Sun on February 16th, The Village Vine on February 15th, 2006 official newspapers in said county, and the affidavit of said publication is on file with the Mahaska County Auditor. There were no written or oral comments. It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to close the public hearing. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to adopt the fiscal year 2006-2007 Mahaska County Budget as presented. The County Auditor was thereupon directed to properly certify the budget as adopted and file as required by law. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

**Expenditures by Service Area:**
Public Safety and Legal Services $2,528,879; Physical Health and Social Services $881,091; Mental Health, MR & DD $2,315,547; County Environment and Education $642,356; Road & Transportation $4,380,000; Government Services to Residents $559,059; Administration $1,215,862; Nonprogram Current $737,400 Capital Projects $1,015,000; Operating Transfers Out $1,395,402.
Revenues by Service Area:
Net Property Taxes $5,778,217; Delinquent Property Tax Revenue $1,900; Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes $9,700; Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues $1,157,600; Intergovernmental $5,257,052; Licenses & Permits $15,650; Charges for Services $492,250; Use of Money & Property $344,460; Miscellaneous $159,750 Operating Transfers In $1,395,402

Expenditures by Department:
Non departmental $2,771,842; Board of Supervisors $146,308; Auditor $356,566; Treasurer $392,709; Attorney $233,386; Sheriff $980,828; Recorder $130,568; GIS Coordinator $69,533; Engineer $5,390,000; Veterans Affairs $74,401; Conservation Board $390,569; Public Health Nursing $203,545; Roadside Vegetation Management $113,391; Community Services $158,783; County Care Facility $17,190; Medical Examiner $31,675; Correctional Services $772,795; District Court $271,018; Libraries $46,010; Mahaska Building $19,240; Environmental Services $79,891; Pioneer Cemeteries $5,000; Crime Prevention $89,599; Law Enforcement Center $124,543; Courthouse $152,481; Information Technology $51,365; Drivers License $104,587; North Square Building $200; Substance Abuse Treatment $104,476; Mental Health $2,315,547; Human Services Administration $72,550;

Revenues by Department:
Non departmental $813,020; Auditor $14,050; Treasurer $400,700; Sheriff $89,950; Recorder $142,150; Engineer $5,268,540; Conservation Board $99,000; Public Health Nursing $87,345; Community Services $9,100; County Care Facility $30,000; Correctional Services $68,950; District Court $14,000; Mahaska Building $23,600; Environmental Services $29,400; Crime Prevention $103,849; Law Enforcement Center $100,500; Drivers License $45,000; Mental Health $205,000; Human Services Administration $40,000; Property Taxes $7,027,827

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to make the following designations for the unreserved fund balance in the 2006-2007 Mahaska County Budget: AS/400 Computer $35,000; Mapping Expenditures $15,000; Courthouse building and grounds $200,000; Total $250,000.00 All present voted aye. Motion carried.

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

RESOLUTION Setting Land and Fence Prices
For Road and Bridge Projects

RIGHT-OF-WAY:
The Board of Supervisors recognizes it is necessary to acquire right-of-way for the construction and/or rehabilitation of County road and bridge projects. The required property shall be acquired at fair market value as established by the County Engineer and
approved by a majority vote of the Board of Supervisors. In the event majority agreement on the County Engineer’s estimate of fair market value of the required property is not reached by the Board of Supervisors, the Board of Supervisors shall hire a licensed real estate appraiser to determine and establish fair market value of the property. The fair market value of the property as established by the licensed appraiser shall be used for negotiations with the landowner.

**FENCES:**
The land owner shall be paid $3.00 per rod for fence removal, with the fence removed before compensation to the landowner. The fence may not be discarded on County right-of-way or in any drainage way leading to or from County right-of-way.

The land owner shall be paid $22.00 per rod for installing a woven wire or 8 strand high tensile fence, and $16.00 per rod for installing a legal barb wire fence. There will be no payment for fence installation unless a fence exists at the time of right-of-way purchase.

Passed and approved this 6th day of March, 2006.

The engineer discussed the purchases of new equipment that is included in the current years budget. He also discussed the budget for the current year.

The following residents of Mahaska County met with the board to discuss the possible road to connect Highway 63 South to Highway 23: David Dixon, Donald Sandor; Melvin Vonk, Vern Thorp, Ann Brouwer, Cornie Brouwer, Jimmy Carter, Jon Sullivan, Scott Feldt, Jim Wake, Aaron Ver Steeg, Joe Warrick, J.D. Fleener, Marianela Ancona. They discussed dust problems currently, safety issues and possible locations for a new route. The engineer will contact land owners.

Lyle and Aaron VanderMeiden and Jim VandeVoort discussed with the board the proposed site the VanderMeidens are wanting to build a recycle processing facility on Barrows Avenue near the west county line. They are going to apply for a RISE grant to perhaps get the road paved. They will talk with Scott Feldt and Miranda Hanselman of the Mahaska County Agricultural and Rural Development Committee for assistance with the RISE grant application.

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

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Greg Gordy, Chairman  
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _________________________  
Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor