March 5, 2007

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 – Lawrence Rouw; vice chairman – Henry W. VanWeelden, member – Greg Gordy. Also present were the following: Scott Dailey, KBOE Radio; Duane Nollen, Oskaloosa Herald; Rose Anne Mefford, Mahaska County Attorney; Jerome Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer and Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor.

Chairman Rouw opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the agenda with the addition of the R.U.S.S. Resolution. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the minutes of February 20th, 22nd and 26th. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the bills for February in the amount of $529,064.75 and payroll in the amount of $437,396.17. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to pay $6,849.00 of the bill for the boarding of the horses at Iowa Equine Rescue and Awareness League and to have the County Attorney to assess the amount against the property taxes of the owner for the 2007-2008 property taxes. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The matter of the community services office space was tabled.

Bob Elder, Emergency Management did not come to the meeting.

The matter of the county zoning membership letter was dropped.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to hire Jon Swanson of Gaudineer, Comito and George, L.L.P. to update the employee handbook for $4000.00. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The public hearing for an Agricultural Area was set for April 2, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the request of the engineer to increase the salaries of the non-union secondary road employees as follows: Howard Gay, Road Foreman $22.53 per hour; Michael Rodwell, Assistant to the engineer $20.18 per hour; Linda Forsythe, office manager, $15.35 per hour and Laverne Braden, custodian, $9.32 per hour effective July 1, 2007. Two – aye; one – nay. Motion carried.
It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the following resolution. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution**

We the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors, as a member of Regional Utility Service Systems (RUSS), do hereby approve and authorize RUSS to enter into a “Joint Agreement for the Erection, Maintenance, and Operation of Plants and Systems for Sanitary Sewer Services” and authorize RUSS to issue Sewer Revenue Bonds to finance the acquisition and construction of plants and systems for sanitary sewer service to serve the City/Community of LAKE TRIO, WASHINGTON, COUNTY, Iowa.

Approval of Supervisors:
- s/Lawrence Rouw 3-5-07
- s/Henry W.VanWeelden 3-5-07
- s/Greg Gordy 3-5-07

ATTEST:
- s/Kay Swanson
  County Auditor

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

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Lawrence Rouw, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _______________________
Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor