December 3, 2007

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on the above date 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 and member – Greg Gordy. Also present were the following: Sue Brown, Kathy Anderson and Linda Forsythe, Members of the health insurance committee; Ben Hoskinson, Mahaska County IRVM Department, Michael Gipple, Mahaska County Conservation Director; Marie Ware; Future Endeavers; Phil Brown, Dunbar & Jones Associates; John White and Peggy Wright Mahaska County Conservation Board members; Jon K. Swanson, Gaudineer, Comito & George, L.L.P.; Jerome Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer; Troy Bemis, Mahaska County Courthouse Maintenance Department; and Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor. This meeting was filmed by Communication Research Institute of William Penn University.

Chairman Rouw called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with a moment of silence.

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

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the minutes of the November 19th meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the bills for November in the amount of $835,200.39 and payroll in the amount of $441,575.10. None were denied. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Caldwell Park Vision and Goals were discussed by Marie Ware of Future Endeavers and Phillip Brown from Dunbar & Jones Associates discussed the proposed landscaping of Caldwell Park.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the 2007 Annual Weed Commissioner’s Report from Ben Hoskinson Mahaska County Weed Commissioner and IRVM manager. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to terminate pest control services at the courthouse and the law enforcement building from ABC Pest Control and to hire Certified Pest Control of Oskaloosa beginning January 1, 2008. All present voted aye. Motion carried.
It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the changes to the Health Plan Document and the changes to be effective July 1, 2007. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy to be effective January 1, 2008. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The matter of the letter for Lighten Up Iowa program from the Extension Office will be placed on payroll checks and if employees want to participate they may do so on their own.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to authorize the chairman to sign the Federal-aid Agreement for County Highway Bridge Program Project No. BHP-CO62(55)—63-62. (Iowa DOT Agreement No. 07-5-HBP-045). All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussed various road conditions with the engineer.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy 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