May 19, 2008

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 courthouse. Present were the following board members: Chairman – Henry W. VanWeelden, vice chairman – Greg Gordy and member – Lawrence Rouw. Also present were the following: Scott Dailey, KBOE Radio, Duane Nollen, Oskaloosa Herald, Miranda Johnson, Mahaska County Agricultural and Rural Development Director; Don Russell, Mahaska County Sanitarian; Troy Bemis, Courthouse maintenance department; Jerome Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer; Rick Cady and Scott VanGilst, members of the Secondary Road Union; and Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor. This meeting was filmed by Communications Research Institute of William Penn University.

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

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the agenda for today with the addition of sale of secondary road truck # 23. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the minutes of May 5th and 6th. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Miranda Johnson, Mahaska County Agricultural and Rural Development Director gave the board her May report and it was placed on file.

Don Russell, Mahaska County Sanitarian gave the board his monthly report and it was placed on file.

The matter of the amendment to ordinance #128 was not needed at this time.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to have S & S Painting to paint the lobbies of the courthouse for $10,150.00. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Troy Bemis, courthouse maintenance department discussed the estimates he had received for painting the lobbies of the courthouse. He had received two estimates. One from S & S Painting L.L.P. for $10,150.00 and one from Jerry Brummel Painting for $35,750.00 to $38,800.00. It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the request of the Oskaloosa Chamber of Commerce to have the public restrooms open on June 14th for Art on the Square. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The board discussed the proposed amendment to the health insurance plan but tabled the matter until later date. Scott VanGilst, President of the SEIU Local #199 Union presented the board with the following grievance.
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To: Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

**Grievance**
Employer violated insurance coverage – Article 15
Change of language

**Remedy**

Return Article 15 back to original wording (liberal language):
Mahaska County Health Plan – Plan exclusion #27
July 2003

Occupational – coverage for payment made under the plan for injury or sickness for which the covered participant is entitled to benefits under workman’s compensation or occupational disease law.

Signed,
s/ Scott VanGilst
President, SEIU Local 199

The matter of the building on B Avenue West was briefly discussed. Will put dividers in the building instead of dividing walls.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to keep the mileage rate paid to employees at 35 cents per mile effective July 1, 2008. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

County engineer, Jerry Nusbaum discussed the need for an additional employee in preparation for the retirement of a current employee. He will proceed with the process.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to sell the Secondary Road truck #23 (1984 Ford Tandem Truck) for $12,800.00 for the insurance settlement. It had been totaled in accident on April 25, 2008. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The engineer gave the board a letter for them to read from Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. pertaining to the proposed road between Pella and Interstate 80.

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

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Henry W. VanWeelden, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: ___________________________________
Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor