December 17, 2018

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met in regular session 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: Chairman – Henry VanWeelden; Vice chairman – Mark Groenendyk and Member – Steve Wanders. Also present were Angie Holland, Osky Herald; Daryn Williams, CRI; Joe Lancello, KBOE; Ginger Allsup, Osky News; Charlie Comfort, The Sun; Karen Hafner, Jeannie Bieri, Connie Rogers, Stephen Memorial Animal Shelter; Sone Scott, Treasurer; Russ VanRenterghem, Sheriff; Dave Sedivec, Conservation Director; Ben Hoskinson, IRVM; Jamey Robinson, EMA; Reid Stevens, Sec Rd; Heather Gross; Steve Parker; Scott VanVeldhuizen; Duane Vos, Racom and Susan Brown, Mahaska County Auditor. This meeting was filmed by Communications Research Institute of William Penn University.

Chairman VanWeelden opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. with a moment of silence.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Wanders to approve agenda for today’s meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Groenendyk to approve minutes from December 3, 4 & 11 meetings. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Wanders to make the following payroll changes in the Sheriff’s Dept: Change Jordan Redlinger from full-time jailer to part-time jailer effective December 4, 2018 at $13.00/hr; Add Cori Flatt as part-time jailer effective December 5, 2018 at $12.00/hr. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Wanders to approve the following payroll changes in the Treasurer’s office as presented: Transfer Deputy Emily Scholtus from the Driver’s License to the Tax Dept budget at a rate of 60% of the treasurer’s salary effective Jan 2, 2019; Add Jonathon Angove as Deputy Treasurer in Driver’s License at a rate of 60% of the treasurer’s salary effective Jan 2, 2019. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Dave Sedivec, Conservation Director, gave monthly report and it was placed on file. The Conservation Board has recommended the appointment of Henry VanWeelden to the board for a five year term ending December 31, 2024. It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Wanders to appoint Henry VanWeelden to the term as recommended. Ayes: Groenendyk, Wanders. Abstain: VanWeelden. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Wanders to approve the following Resolution as presented by Ben Hoskinson, IRVM Manager. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2018-17
A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH IOWA DOT FOR A LIVING ROADWAY TRUST FUND GRANT FOR COUNTIES
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAHASKA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO:

Section 1. Approve the agreement with the Iowa DOT for a Living Roadway Trust Fund Grant for a forestry head attachment; and

Section 2. Authorize the Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors to execute the agreement on behalf of the County.

Passed, approved and adopted this 17th day of December, 2018.

A proposed 28E agreement between the county, City of Oskaloosa and Stephen Memorial Animal Shelter was discussed with Animal Shelter board members, Jeannie Beiri and Connie Rogers. Some details still need to be worked out so the agreement will be considered at a future meeting.

Supervisor Groenendyk reported that communication system proposals have been reviewed by consultants and they have made the recommendation of the proposal from Racom for a 3 site system. The 911 Board had met last week and agreed to pay for responder radios. County will need to supply radios for Conservation and Secondary Road. A resolution to set public hearing on general obligation loan agreement is needed. Racom will wait until following the public hearing to sign contract.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by VanWeelden to move forward with the Racom 3-site proposal and give authority to Freeman and Mazzitello to work out final details for contract. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Wanders to approve and authorize signature on engagement letter with Northland Securities as underwriter for the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance radio communication system equipment. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

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

RESOLUTION #2018-18

RESOLUTION TO FIX A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON A GENERAL OBLIGATION LOAN AGREEMENT FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Mahaska County, Iowa (the “County”), proposes to enter into a loan agreement (the “Loan Agreement”) in a principal amount not to exceed $5,500,000, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 331.402 and 331.441 of the Code of Iowa, for the essential county purpose of acquiring emergency services communication equipment; and
WHEREAS, it is necessary to fix a date of meeting of the Board at which it is proposed to hold a hearing and take action to enter into the Loan Agreement and to give notice thereof as required by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Mahaska County, Iowa, as follows:

Section 1. This Board shall meet on the 2nd day of January, 2019, at the County Courthouse, Oskaloosa, Iowa, at 9:15 o’clock a.m., at which time and place a hearing will be held and proceedings will be instituted and action taken to enter into the Loan Agreement.

Section 2. The County Auditor is hereby directed to give notice of the proposed action on the Loan Agreement, setting forth the amount and purpose thereof, the time when and place where the said meeting will be held, by publication at least once and not less than 4 nor more than 20 days before the meeting, in a legal newspaper of general circulation in the County, in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF PROPOSED HEARING ON LOAN AGREEMENT IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $5,500,000

(General Obligation Emergency Services Communication Equipment)

The Board of Supervisors of Mahaska County, Iowa, will meet on the 2nd day of January, 2019, at the County Courthouse, Oskaloosa, Iowa, at 9:15 o’clock a.m., for the purpose of holding a hearing and taking action to enter into a loan agreement (the “Loan Agreement”) in a principal amount not to exceed $5,500,000 for the essential county purpose of acquiring emergency services communication equipment.

The Loan Agreement is proposed to be entered into pursuant to authority contained in Sections 331.402 and 331.441 of the Code of Iowa. The Loan Agreement will constitute a general obligation of the County.

At that time and place, oral or written objections may be filed or made to the proposal to enter into the Loan Agreement. After receiving objections, the County may determine to enter into the Loan Agreement, in which case, the decision will be final unless appealed to the District Court within fifteen (15) days thereafter.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of Mahaska County, Iowa. Susan Brown, County Auditor

Section 3. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Passed and approved December 17, 2018.

No action taken at this time on the compensation board’s recommendation for FY20 elected official salaries.
It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Wanders to approve and authorize signature on final plans for secondary road project #STBG-SWAP-CO62(95)-FG-62. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Committee reports: Supervisor VanWeelden reported from Indian Hills Regional Development that the Biotechnology Innovation Organization, has selected Des Moines for the 2019 Bio World Conference next July. There will be tours etc. at the Cargill complex in Eddyville as part of the conference. The Logan Mine reclamation project received the Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation National Award. These projects are funded by coal tax monies. Supervisor Wanders had attended an Eighth Judicial District meeting informing of new procedures in prisoner evaluation.

Public Comments: None

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

Attest:  ________________________              _______________________
           Susan L. Brown                                    Henry Van Weelden
           Mahaska County Auditor                                  Mahaska County Board of Supervisors