February 7, 2005

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met 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: Henry W. VanWeelden, Chairman; Greg Gordy, Vice-Chairman; Lawrence Rouw, member. Also present were the following: Scott Dailey, KBOE Radio; R.D. Keep, Emergency Management Coordinator; Jay Christensen, Joe Hohenberger, Mahaska Health Partnership; Steve Siegel, Wapello County Supervisor; Erwin Lopez, Jerry Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer; Mike Rodwell, Mahaska County Secondary Road Dept.; Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor.

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

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

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the minutes of January 3rd, 4th, 10th, 12th, 17th, 24th, and 31st. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the bills for January in the amount of $912,058.96 and payroll in the amount of $423,431.72. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the request of Mahaska County Pheasants Forever for on-premise Application for Liquor, Wine or Beer five day permit. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the quarterly report for the Recorder for quarter ending December 31, 2004. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the monthly report for the Veteran Affairs Commission for January. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the request of the Treasurer to place Marilyn Boomershine on the payroll during the property tax season at $7.50 per hour. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the request of the Treasurer to refund of $28.00 to be issued to for a tax sale certificate holder for tax, penalty, and fees regarding Tax Sale Certificate 2004-4180 in Jefferson Township. This property is the former Cone Cemetery and to abate the taxes for fiscal years 2002 and 2003 and fees. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

R.D. Keep discussed the following Memorandum of Understanding with the board for evacuation of the new elementary school building in case of an emergency. It
was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to approve the agreement and to add the supervisors to the second paragraph. Vote was – two aye; one nay. Motion carried.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This document serves as a memorandum of understanding between Mahaska County Emergency Management, Oskaloosa Community Schools, Mahaska County Secondary Road Department and Mahaska County Board of Supervisors.

Regarding facility use at 2704 Old Highway 163, Oskaloosa, Iowa, in case of an emergency requiring the evacuation of Oskaloosa Elementary School, and deemed necessary by Oskaloosa school officials and Mahaska County Supervisors.

Mahaska County Secondary Road Department agrees to allow Mahaska County Emergency Management and Oskaloosa Community Schools to use the county shop garage and or fenced area south of the facility for a period of time as needed. If use of facility is needed for more that one day, the parties must agree and sign an agreement to be prepared at that time. It is expected that bus transportation will be en route to transport children from the area. The facility would serve only has a temporary holding facility until pick-up is complete.

The Oskaloosa School District will accept responsibility for injury to students or staff, or any damage incurred to the facility by students or staff.

This memorandum of understanding must be reviewed each year and signed by administrator(s) or their designee(s) of Mahaska County Emergency Management, Oskaloosa Community Schools and Mahaska County Board of Supervisors. Original agreement will remain in the office of Mahaska County Emergency Management. Signed copies will retained by other signees.

s/ ______________________________ Mahaska County Emergency Management Date:

s/ ______________________________ Oskaloosa Community Schools Date:_______

s/ ______________________________ Mahaska County Supervisors Date:_______

This agreement in force at time of final signature

Date of enactment:___________________

Jay Christensen and Joe Hohenberger discussed the following resolution with the board. It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to approve the resolution. All present voted aye. Motion carried.
Resolution

Be it resolved that the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors authorizes Mahaska County Hospital d/b/a Mahaska Health Partnership to levy a $.10 per 1,000 valuation assessment to subsidize the ambulance service for the fiscal year July 1, 2005-June 30, 2006. This levy is the same as the previous fiscal year.

It is understood by the Mahaska County Hospital d/b/a Mahaska Health Partnership that the levy represents an annual request to the board of supervisors, and there is no guarantee that the levy will be granted in any fiscal year.

The ambulance levy funds may only be used to supplement the following:

1. Operating deficits in ambulance operations. These deficits may be due to continued funding shortfalls by the Medicare and Medicaid programs, increasing costs of personnel, or other increased operating costs.
2. Overhead related to ambulance operations, which may include the depreciation on the ambulance garage (new in 2002), billing and administrative costs, education, insurance, etc.
3. The cost of new or replacement equipment for the ambulance service, including ambulance vehicles and other equipment necessary for the provision of emergency medical services.

Erwin Lopez, Mahaska County resident and Steve Siegel, Wapello County Supervisor discussed the proposed Ottumwa Casino with the board. They were asking for a letter for support for the Casino. No decisions were made today.

Jerry Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer and Mike Rodwell from the Secondary Road Dept. discussed the bridges to be replaced or repaired in the county.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by Gordy to approve the contract for bridge inspection services with Snyder & Associates for a fee not to exceed $12,700.00. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to set the hearing date for reclassifying roads on March 21, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

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

Henry W. VanWeelden, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors
The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met in reconvened session of the budget work session at 1:30 p.m. on the above date. The meeting was held in the third floor conference room of the Mahaska County courthouse. Present were the following board members: Henry W. VanWeelden, Chairman, Greg Gordy, Vice-Chairman and Lawrence Rouw, Member. Also present were the following: Eric Coop, Oskaloosa Herald; Mike Gipple, Conservation Dept.; Paul DeGeest, Mahaska County Sheriff and Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor.

The board discussed the budgets for the sheriff and the conservation department.

The meeting was recessed until 10:00 a.m. on February 8, 2005.

Henry W. VanWeelden, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor