

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
March 12, 2024

The Board of Supervisors of Pocahontas County, Iowa, met for a regular session pursuant to adjournment. Members present: Chairman, Kyle Smith; Supervisors, Jeff Ives, Louis Stauter, Clarence Siepker; and Auditor, Kelly Jepsen. Supervisor, Brent Aden, was absent.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Stauter, to approve the minutes from March 5, 2024 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Ives, to approve the agenda as posted. Ayes all, motion carried.

Landowner, Kirby Sampson, met with the Board to discuss the drain pipe under his private crossing. The County recently sent him a letter advising that his drain pipe was 4.5 feet too high, impeding the flow of water in DD 114. Sampson provided documentation on the build of the crossing and felt like it was a County issue with Bolton & Menk. The County will contact Bolton & Menk and do more research. Gary Atherton, Assistant to the Engineer/Drainage Clerk and Tate Schmeling, Asst. County Engineer were present for the discussion.

Sheriff Steve Nelson and Office Supervisor, Barb Hinnert presented two quotes from Motorola Solutions. One quote was for five 4RE/V300 in-car video system and five V700 body worn cameras with a five-year subscription for \$44,653.00 plus \$200.00 for each V300 charging station. The other quote was for one of the exact same system from the first quote for a 1/5 of the cost plus \$975.00 for the annual license & support fee for the body camera, and \$975.00 for the annual license & support fee for the in-car video system. Motion by Stauter, seconded by Ives, to authorize the purchase of five 4RE/V300 in-car video system and five V700 body worn cameras with a five-year subscription for \$44,653.00 plus five V300 charging stations for \$1,000.00 from Motorola Solutions. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Ives, seconded by Siepker, to approve a utility permit allowing Palmer Mutual Telephone Company to do underground construction across organized drainage district lands and approve the Iowa DOT agreement allowing Palmer Mutual Telephone Company use of highway Right-of-Way. Ayes all, motion carried. Work will be performed on 330th Ave. in Section 11 & 12, Lizard Township; 630th St. in Section 27, Bellville Township; 270th Ave. in Section 12, Lincoln Township; and 230th Ave., 610th St. and 220th Ave. in Section 18, Bellville Township.

Moellering handed out copies of the Secondary Roads' Seasonal Employee Employment Policy and their Drug and Alcohol Policy. The Board will review and place on next week's agenda.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Ives, to acknowledge Jeffrey S. Kuchel's resignation from Civil Service Commission. Ayes all, motion carried. Kuchel was the County Attorney's appointee.

Motion by Ives, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge the County Attorney's appointment of Noelle Murray to the Civil Service Commission for the remainder of the term ending December 31, 2024. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve the Recorder's Report of Fees Collected for the month of February. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Ives, to approve the allowances, disallowances, and deletions for Family Farm and Ag Land tax credits for the 2023 valuation year, pursuant to Iowa Code 425A.4 and authorize the Chairman to sign letters to landowners who no longer qualify. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Ives, to approve Jt. DD 63 MOD claim for \$198.33 and Jt. DD 77 MOD claims for \$66.11 and \$264.44, all payable to Pocahontas County Secondary Roads for watchman services. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Stauter, to authorize a match for the ISAC Wellness incentive of \$100.00 for a physical exam and \$25.00 for completing the online assessment. Ayes all, motion carried. The public purpose is to encourage employees to participate in the Wellness program, which decreases the County's health insurance premium.

Auditor Jepsen and the Board discussed water damage found in the Conference Room on the third floor of the Courthouse and using prisoners to assist with different projects at the Courthouse. The Board would look at the Conference Room after the meeting. Jepsen will contact the prison about having some wooden chairs refinished at the prison. If they do a good job, then possibly have them come refinish the handrails at the Courthouse. Smith will contact Midstate Plumbing & Heating to see if using prisoners to help remove the current HVAC system would be cost effective.

Motion by Ives, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plans: (1) Bellcock Turkey Farm – ID# 66193 located in the SE SW, Sec. 17 Douglas Township, Sac County with Josh & Justin Bellcock as owner & Josh Bellcock as contact person; and (2) Bellcock Turkey Farm North – ID# 65240 located in the SW SW, Section 3, Douglas Township, Sac County with Josh & Justin Bellcock as owner & Josh Bellcock as contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Stauter, to approve the claims as reviewed by the Board, except for claim #1627 and approve the Treasurer's payments from self-funding account. Ayes all, motion carried. The following claims were audited and allowed:

A & M Laundry	Supplies	81.10	1
K Aljets	Postage	28.55	1
Alliant Energy	Utilities	263.40	1
Alpha Wireless	Communications	295.00	1
Amazon	Supplies	1426.93	6

C Archer	Education	139.69	1
Arnold Motor	Parts	3.86	1
G Atherton	Education/Reimburse	214.41	1
Axon	Service	1615.00	2
C Bailey	Education	29.30	1
Bauer Built	Tires/Parts	180.08	1
W Beneke	Expenses	209.26	1
B H Energy	Natural Gas	300.16	1
K Brown	Expenses	678.60	1
BV Co Journal	Minutes	475.44	1
Calhoun Co Sheriff	Service	126.28	2
Cal Co ECA	Utilities	10.50	1
CID	Supplies	867.00	1
Century Link	Line Chg	63.45	1
Christensen Bros Inc	Construction	115473.61	3
City-Pocahontas	Utilities	5483.58	6
J Conlin	Expenses	116.97	1
Po Co Sec Rd	Fuel	149.76	1
Dakota Supply	Parts	187.78	1
DIII Conservation	Dues	250.00	1
Doolittle Oil	Supplies	222.00	1
Dr Tatman	Service	120.00	1
Frank Dunn Co	Supplies	1898.00	1
Farm & Home	Supplies	590.92	5
D Feistner	Expenses	270.00	2
Feld Fire	Service	1732.75	2
City-Fonda	Utilities	263.60	1
Force America	Parts	164.67	1
Foundation An	Service	164.50	1
B Gronewold	Safety	150.00	1
D Harson	Expense	28.02	1
Healthcare First	Service	111.02	1
D Heuton	Expenses	82.45	1
B Hinners	Postage	15.98	1
J Hubbell	Expenses	98.35	1
IADPS	Service	300.00	1
IA Prison Ind	Signs	221.32	1
INTRANS ISU	Education	185.00	1
ILTA	Training	400.00	1
ISAC	Training	210.00	1
ISSDA	Training	125.00	1
Jacks OK Tire	Tires/Parts	529.80	1
R Jergens	Expenses	816.41	1
Juicebox	Hosting	230.00	1
B Kinkade	Well Closure	500.00	1
B Krips	Expenses	252.95	1
Krueger Survey	Services	1700.00	1
LaCrosse Seed	Supplies	6240.00	1
B Larsen	Reimb	2258.67	1
House of Print	Supplies	234.93	2
LMPC	Utilities	266.23	1
Laurens Sun	Minutes	690.88	1
Laurens Sun	Subscrip	30.00	1
LexisNexis	Service	130.00	1
MJ Litwiller	Expenses	188.46	1
K MacRunnel	Well Shock	300.00	1
Mail Services	Service	305.55	1
McKesson	Supplies	15.83	1
K Metzger	Expenses	214.87	1
MidAm Energy	Electricity	201.32	2
Midwest Wheel	parts	88.31	1
R Moore	Meals/Lodging	265.58	1
Murphy Tractor	Parts	76.78	1
Comm First	Parts/Supplies	151.17	1
Comm First	Service	141.60	1
Netsmart	Service	1763.28	1
New Way Ford	Service	56.15	1
NW Comm	Line Chg	158.99	1
Office Elements	Supplies	3435.35	5
Palmer Mutual	Line Chg	164.96	1
City-Palmer	Utilities	219.82	1
Pitney Bowes	Lease	170.43	1
PJ Greufe	Service	1500.00	1
Po Co Solid Waste	Rural	11369.26	1
Po Co Solid Waste	Services	16.00	1
Poca Co Treas	Reimb	90.00	1
PO CO IT Dept	Phone Fiber	306.60	2
Postmaster	Postage	118.20	1
Poca St Bank	Rent	400.00	1
Poca Comm Hospital	Services	126.50	1
Poky Equip	Supplies	87.08	1
Poky Fiber	Service	1082.39	4
Pro Co-Op	Fuel	1390.89	2
Pro Co-Op	Materials	12951.34	1
Record Dem	Ads	777.72	4
Rees Truck	Parts	172.00	1
Ring-O-Matic	Parts	244.38	1
City-Rolfe	Utilities	381.39	1
A Salsberry	Expenses	145.37	1
K Scheidegger	Expenses	54.20	1
T Schmeling	Meals/Lodging	374.36	1
Schneider Corp	Beacon Ser	15114.00	1
SCI Comm	Service	438.55	1
IA SOS	Notary	60.00	1
K Seiler	Postage	10.60	1
B Shelgren	Service	100.00	1
Solutions	Service	1200.00	1
M Stall	Expenses	150.81	1
Ten Pt Const	Services	12629.77	1
Titan Mach	Parts	129.61	1
C Toner	Expenses	8.81	1
UnityPoint Occ Health	Services	50.00	1
Verizon	Phones	1489.71	3

Webster Co Sheriff	Service	33.00	1
Wex Bank	Fuel	712.23	1
Windstream	Line Chg	129.80	1
Woods	Supplies	35.82	2
Ziegler	Supplies	165.50	1
Zoho Corp	Service	2967.00	1
Benefits Inc	Self-Funding	6181.54	2
Benefits Inc	Flex	656.85	2
Brian Larsen	Reimbursement	2258.67	1
Grand Total		233931.56	
End of Report			

Weekly meetings: All Supervisors participated in FY25 budget meeting. Additionally, Ives-Driveway concerns; Stauter-Fair Board; Smith-Drainage concerns; and Siepker-Linking Families Executive Board meeting and Linking Families regular meeting.

Sheriff Nelson returned to discuss his FY25 budget request. Jepsen will review his budget.

With no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Kyle Smith, Chairman

Kelly Jepsen, County Auditor