

**Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
September 24, 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, Brent Aden; Nita Hinrickson, Auditor. Others present: Reporter, Erin Sommers; Shawn Monahan, Corebridge; Margo Underwood, Hometown Pride; Tate Schmeling, County Engineer; Laura Erickson, Deputy Auditor; and Steve Nelson, Sheriff.

Motion by Clarence Siepker, seconded by Brent Aden, to approve the minutes from September 17, 2024 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

Old business: None

Shawn Monahan, Corebridge, informed the board of a new Iowa Retirement Investor's Club (RIC) offering for the county employee. There would be a 28.88% higher account balance with RIC and the County would have an initial small fee of \$100-\$400 dependent on # of county employees and \$50-\$500 annually. No decision was made.

Margo Underwood, Hometown Pride, updated the Board on projects. There have been 267 projects completed. Total funds received includes grant money. Pocahontas County Foundation will have an application meeting October 2 at 6:30 pm at County Conservation.

Tate Schmeling, County Engineer, advised the Board that he finished interviews for Engineer Tech. Bridge on the county line is completed. Wednesday there will be a precon meeting for box culverts in Sherman. They will be talking with Bargan for N65 crack sealing to help extend the road life until replacement is completed in a couple of years. Garfield landowner is adding tile next to drainage ditch. Landowner has followed the specs and would like the drainage ditch district maintain after completion. Tate also advised that he and his wife will be having a baby next week and will be in and out. Tate asked the board if he could use his sick time beings he didn't qualify for FMLA. The board approved.

Nita Hinrickson, County Auditor, advised the Board that she had looked into other HR consulting firms and got a quote. In doing research, we currently pay \$1500/month (\$18,000/year) in addition to a fee for special projects. When asking department heads how often they reach out to the HR consultant it was rarely. Currently comes to department head meetings. A new quote is \$300/hour and would have 2 people assigned to our county, if we averaged 1 hour a month that would be \$3,600/year. Nita will check to see what special projects would cost.

Nita also informed the board that letters were sent out to the previous compensation board members and 3 out of the 7 declined to continue being a member. The board decided to move forward with implementing the board again. Nita will prepare a resolution and also look into information to provide the board on what their job entails.

Clarence asked about the ad that was put in the paper for Facility Maintenance and that it had not gone to the board. Nita advised that she was told to put the ad in the paper and that after reviewing past minutes no ad had previously had prior board approval. But going forward if they wanted to approve an ad she would. There has only been one applicant. Initial deadline is September 27, 2024.

If there is money that needs to be used from the ARPA funds, Nita advised that Cathy Frerk from the recorders would like to digitize their books at a cost of approximately \$7000. We also received alternate bids to add upper level expansions to the new jail. Alt 1 would be a General Pop Dorm for \$115,035.50 and Alt # 2 with Medium & Max Cells for \$239,276.50.

Motion by Louis Stauter, seconded by Brent Aden, to approve Jt DD 1 Cal, 54 Poc work order for tile outlet and surface pep repair for \$2,200.00 to Schoon Excavating. Ayes all, motioned carried.

Motion by Louis Stauter, seconded by Brent Aden, to approve DD 86 Main invoice for pasture seed in the amount of \$300.00 to Zuetlau Seeding. Ayes all, motioned carried.

The Iowa DNR has made a preliminary determination that B & B Hog Farms has met the legal criteria to be issued a construction permit. Motion by Jeff Ives, seconded by Brent Aden, to sign the waiver letter and adopt the following resolution. The Chairperson called the question with the following recorded vote: Ayes – Ives, Stauter, Smith, Siepker, Aden; Nays – none.

Whereby the Chairperson declared the resolution duly adopted to-wit:

RESOLUTION

2024-09-#40

Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors

September 24, 2024

**APPROVAL OF WAIVER OF POCAHONTAS COUNTY'S RIGHT TO APPEAL ISSUANCE
OF FINAL CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CONFINED ANIMAL
FEEDING OPERATION BY THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1 The Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors has received notice from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that B & B Hog Farms has been issued a draft permit for the construction of a confined animal feeding operation building(s) at SE ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 03, T93N, R31W, Des Moines Township in unincorporated Pocahontas County.

Section 2 The Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors reviewed the construction permit application and the manure management plan and determined that both appeared to be in compliance with the requirements of the Master Matrix, Iowa Code Section 459 and Iowa DNR rules and recommended approval of said application on August 13, 2024.

Section 3 The Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors hereby waives its right to appeal the issuance of the final permit within the fourteen (14) day limit from the time of receipt of notice of the issuance of the draft permit.

Section 4 The Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors encourages the Iowa DNR to issue the Final Permit immediately upon notification of this waiver.

Section 5 The Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Board Chairman to notify the Iowa DNR of this waiver.

Section 6 This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by Brent Aden, seconded by Jeff Ives, to approve Manure Management Plan (1) KT Pork, LLC – ID# 61834 SW SW Sec. 20, Cedar Township Trevor Schwartz as owner & contact person. Ayes all, motioned carried.

Motion by Clarence Siepker, seconded by Brent Aden to approve claims as presented. Ayes all, motioned carried.

A & M Laundry	Supplies	81.10	1
Alliant Energy	Utilities	194.67	1
Amazon	Supplies	1324.99	7
AP Air Inc	Parts	165.00	1
Arnold Motor	Parts	12.05	1
Bacon Builders	Parking Lot	172568.50	1
L Bailey	Expenses	138.06	1
W Beneke	Expenses	228.09	1
N Birkey	Expenses	373.23	1
B H Energy	Natural Gas	35.26	1
Blackstrap	Materials	6816.27	1
Bolton & Menk	Engineering Services	809.50	1
Bunda Seed	Seed	675.25	1
B.V Co Sheriff	Service	117.76	1
Calhoun Co PH	Services	390.82	1
Cal Co ECA	Utilities	10.50	1
Carquest Rolfe	Supplies	220.00	1
CID	Supplies	225.00	1
City-Pocahontas	Utilities	279.39	1
Clay County Environmental Heal	Supplies	130.35	1
Comfort Inn	Training	766.08	1
O Cressler	Expenses	180.47	2
Del City	Supplies	94.00	2
Doolittle Oil	Supplies	248.63	1
Frank Dunn Co	Materials	899.00	1
Elderbridge	Annual Allocation	7214.00	1
Farm & Home	Supplies	55.02	1
D Feistner	Expenses	416.10	2
City-Fonda	Utilities	125.49	1
Galls	Uniform	46.35	1
Gilmore City	FTM -RUT Reimbursement	1428.73	1
Gordon Flesch	Lease	338.88	1
City-Havelock	RUT FTM Reimb	848.45	1
Healthcare First	Service	111.02	1
Dereck A Hebert	Phone Reimb	100.00	1
Hilton Des Moines	ICEA Conf Lodging	1031.31	3
B Hinners	Supplies	19.80	1
Wanita A Hinrickson	Postage	19.70	1
B Hetrick	Expenses	279.63	1
M Hoyt	Expenses	408.67	1
Huseby	Service	773.60	1
HyVee AR	Jail Meds	7.83	1
IADPS	Service	1456.50	1
IA Prison Ind	Materials	2197.60	1
IACCS	Training	225.00	1
ICEA	Education Conference	1125.00	1
ILEA	Service	150.00	1
IA Lakes Elec	Electricity	961.00	1
ISCTA	Service	100.00	1
J Ives	BOS Ex	626.96	1
Jack's Uniform	Uniform	154.89	1
JCL Solutions	Supplies	1640.00	1
KC Nielsen	Parts	84.42	1
LexisNexis	Service	137.00	1
Machine Shop	Supplies	46.86	2
Martin Marietta	Materials	382.49	1
Mathy Construction Company	Construction C-49	726789.27	1
Metal Culverts	Materials	24866.00	1
MidAm Energy	Utilities	70.19	1
Midwest Cont	Maintenance	268474.27	1
Midwest Wheel	Parts	164.62	1
Murphy Tractor	Equipment	400756.00	1
Comm First	Parts/Materials	242.84	1
L Nehman	Safety Reimbursement	200.00	1
New Way Ford	Service	306.60	3
N IA Telecom	Equip	504.50	1
NW IA YES	Service	3325.00	1

Office Elements	Supplies	55.53	1
Palmer Mutual	Line Chg	164.96	1
City-Palmer	RUT FTM Transfer	2238.41	1
PA CO Sheriff	Service	32.01	1
PJ Greufe	Service	1500.00	1
City-Plover	RUT FTM Transfer	1047.55	1
Po Co Solid Waste	Rural Waste	11717.70	1
PO CO IT Dept	Copier Maintenance	95.79	2
Pocahontas County Extension an	Training	405.00	2
Poca Comm Hospital	Service	13957.11	2
Poky Equip	Parts	108.07	2
Pro Co-Op	Fuel	2574.87	2
Pro Co-Op	Materials	28175.86	1
POS	Supplies	4995.90	1
ProMark	Service	3750.00	1
Bryan C Rahn	Expenses	340.12	1
Wyatt C Rahn	Expenses	26.70	1
Ray O'Herron	Uniform	1335.97	1
Record Dem	Minutes	575.77	2
Rees Truck	Parts	113.76	1
E Ahlrichs	Mileage	366.80	1
City-Rolfe	Utilities	32.61	1
C Schachtner	Election	22.23	1
Dale Schultes Construction Inc	Maintenance	2594.75	1
IA SOS	IVoters	848.75	1
A Stern-Domek	Mileage	238.10	1
Titan Mach	Parts	1291.97	1
UKG	Service	22.68	1
USPS	Postage	146.00	1
K Vadar	Mileage	259.16	1
City-Varina	RUT FTM Transfer	397.76	1
Verizon	Phones	471.65	3
WAPITI	Services	525.00	1
J Watson	Mileage/Meals	26.70	1
Webster Co Sheriff	Service	2498.00	2
Wessels Oil Co Inc	Dust Control Subsidy	2280.00	1
Wessels Oil Co Inc	LP	938.00	1
Woodbury Co Sheriff	Service	30.00	1
Woods	Supplies	107.89	2
P Zaugg	Mileage	18.72	1
Ziegler	Parts	256.46	1
Grand Total		1721779.87	

Weekly meetings: Ives- Solid Waste, Econ Dev, Drainage Concerns; Stauter- YES Center; Smith- Insurance Meeting; Siepker- DCAT and Aden- Solid Waste and Econ Dev.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Louis Stauter, seconded by Clarence Siepker, to declare the meeting adjourned. Ayes all, motion carried.

Kyle Smith, Chairman

Nita Hinrickson, Auditor