

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
January 24, 2023

The Board of Supervisors of Pocahontas County, Iowa, met for a regular meeting. Members present: Chairman, Brent Aden; Supervisors, Jeffrey Ives, Louis Stauter, Clarence Siepker, Kyle Smith; and Auditor, Kelly Jepsen. Others present: Reporter, Erin Somers.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Smith, to approve the minutes dated January 10, 2023, January 12, 2023, and January 13, 2023 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

Amy Johnson, County Treasurer, presented the new Pocahontas County Investment Policy and conflict of interest letter. Motion by Smith, seconded by Stauter, to approve said policy and letter. Ayes all, motion carried.

Johnson also advised the Board on the new ISAC Wellness program for 2023. Motion by Smith, seconded by Siepker, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Wellness Program Agreement with ISAC. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Ives, seconded by Siepker, to authorize a match for the ISAC Wellness incentive of \$75.00 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.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Stauter, to approve the Treasurer's Quarterly Investment Report, Semi-Annual Report, and Cash Settlement. Ayes all, motion carried. In the Quarterly Investment Report, it was noted that there was \$600.00 cash in the Treasurer's Office, \$7,002,592.06 in Certificates of Deposit, \$2,423,726.47 in Stamped Drainage Warrants, \$1,345,370.64 in Drainage Improvement Certificates, and \$11,365,674.04 in banks, for a total of \$22,138,013.21. This quarter there were no CD's renewed, \$231,561.12 in interest earned, and 377 driver's licenses issued that generated \$2,639.00 in revenue.

Gary Atherton, Assistant to the Engineer/Drainage Clerk, presented the DD 60 Damage Report. Motion by Stauter, seconded by Ives, to acknowledge said report and set a Completion Hearing for DD 60 for Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 2:00 p.m., in the Assembly Room at the Pocahontas County Courthouse. Ayes all, motion carried.

Atherton and the Board also discussed the specifications suggested by Buena Vista, Calhoun, and Sac Counties Drainage Engineer for our joint ditches. The Supervisors would like more time to consider the specifications, so no decision was made. They will discuss further during next week's Board meeting.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, and the Board discussed his revised DOT budget, 5-year plan, and the All-Systems Unrestricted Routes in Pocahontas County for 2023. Motion by Stauter, seconded by Smith, to adopt Secondary Roads' budget and program revisions for the DOT. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

Motion by Smith, seconded by Ives, to acknowledge the letter from the Public Health Board naming Jill Conlin as the new Administrator for Public Health as of December 13, 2022. Ayes all, motion carried. Conlin has been interim Administrator since April 8, 2022.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge the hire of Laura Williams as a FT Clerk in the Assessor's Office. Ayes all, motion carried. Williams will start February 1, 2023 earning \$18.23/hr.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Smith, to approve the hire of Ryan Jergens as a Reserve Deputy for the Sheriff's Department. Ayes all, motion carried. Jergens started employment on January 20, 2023 at \$18.00/hr.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve the wage increase for Jailer, Tanner Orwig and Dispatcher, Bryan Rahn, as per union contract. Ayes all, motion carried. On February 2, 2023, both will reach 18-months of service and their wage will be changed to \$19.01/hr. plus shift differential.

Noting the buyout of Laurens State Bank and the need to increase the maximum amount in each depository, a motion was made by Smith, seconded by Ives, to adopt a new resolution, replacing Resolution 2023-01-3 adopted on January 3, 2023. The Chairman called the question with the following recorded vote: Ayes: Ives, Stauter, Aden, Siepker, Smith. Nays: none. Whereby the Chairman declared the resolution duly adopted to-wit:

Resolution-2023-01-#9
Depositories of Public Funds

BE IT RESOLVED by this Board of Supervisors of Pocahontas County, IA, that in accordance to with the provisions of Section 12C.2 of the Iowa Code, that we hereby authorize the County Treasurer, Amy Johnson, to deposit funds in her hands into the Pocahontas State Bank, Pocahontas; Availa Bank, Pocahontas; Community State Bank, Laurens; United Bank of Iowa in Rolfe and Pocahontas; First Community Bank in Fonda and Pomeroy; West Iowa Bank in Laurens; IPAIT in Des Moines; and Drainage Warrants/Improvement Certificates not to exceed the maximum amounts as hereby set below.

DEPOSITORIES	LOCATION	Max for 2022	Max for 2023
Pocahontas State Bank	Pocahontas, IA	\$12,000,000	\$15,000,000
Availa Bank	Pocahontas, IA	\$12,000,000	\$15,000,000
Community State Bank	Laurens, IA	\$12,000,000	\$15,000,000
United Bank of Iowa	Rolfe, IA	\$12,000,000	\$15,000,000
First Community Bank	Fonda, IA	\$12,000,000	\$15,000,000
West Iowa Bank	Laurens, IA	\$12,000,000	\$15,000,000
United Bank of Iowa	Pocahontas, IA	\$12,000,000	\$15,000,000

IPAIT	Des Moines, IA	\$12,000,000	\$15,000,000
Drainage Warrants/ Improvement Certificates	County	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following banks be depositories and the Elected Officials named below shall deposit funds in the amounts not to exceed the amounts named opposite each of said designated depositories and said Officials are hereby authorized to deposit the funds in each bank as follows:

Availa Bank	Kelly Jepsen, Auditor	\$1,000,000
Availa Bank	Cathy Frerk, Recorder	\$ 50,000
Pocahontas State Bank	Steve Nelson, Sheriff	\$ 50,000

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 24TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2023

By: Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors

/s/ Brent Aden, Chairman, /s/Jeffrey K. Ives, /s/Louis Stauter, /s/Clarence Siepker

ATTEST: /s/Kelly Jepsen, County Auditor

Motion by Ives, seconded by Stauter, to approve Jt. DD 63 MOD claim from the Pocahontas Record Democrat for publication of ROW hearing for \$228.42. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Ives, to approve Jt. DD 63 MOD claim from Bolton & Menk for professional services for \$9,103.50. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Ives, to approve claim from B & W Control Specialist for brush control in Jt. DD 9-13 for \$9,296.25, Jt. DD 72-43 for \$144.75, and Jt. DD 88-46 for \$620.63. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Ives, to approve the contract with the Pocahontas County Fair Board for use of the Expo Center on Wednesday, February 15th for the DD 53 Reclassification Hearing. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Ives, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plan: (1) Steve Wheatley #2- ID# 58343 located in the SW SE, Section 27, Lincoln Township with Steve Wheatley as owner & contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Stauter, to approve the claims as reviewed by the Board. Ayes all, motion carried. The following claims were audited and allowed:

A & M Laundry	Supplies	77.10	1
Access Systems	Pay Off	2577.45	1
K Aljets	Postage	10.60	1
Alliant Energy	Utilities	1122.42	1
Alpha Wireless	Supplies	448.10	1
Amazon	Supplies	776.58	6
Arnold Motor	Parts	1514.74	1
Ashley N Aschenbrenner	Mileage	134.93	1
Baum Hydraulics	Supplies	733.56	1
Bennett Recycling	Services	33.00	1
N Birkey	Mileage	308.64	1
B H Energy	Natural Gas	4668.96	1
BV Co Journal	Minutes	230.62	1
Cal Co ECA	Utilities	10.50	1
Calhoun-Burns	Service	5686.30	1
Mark Calmer	Well Plug	800.00	2
Canon	Pay Off	6706.66	1
Charm-Tex	Supplies	122.08	1
City-Pocahontas	Utilities	792.92	2
CJ Cooper & Asso	Safety	90.00	1
Comm First	Parts	15.97	1
Comm First	Service	109.89	1
Comm Lumber	Supplies	288.15	1
J Conlin	Mileage	179.91	1
O Cressler	Mileage	168.93	1
Doolittle Oil	Supplies	234.57	1
Electronic Special	Supplies	127.40	1
Farm & Home	Supplies	1282.39	4
Fast Lane	Supplies	40.00	1
City-Fonda	Utilities	248.72	1
Foster's Frame	Services	517.00	1
Steven M Frerk	Safety	111.99	1
Gilmore City	Road Use Taxes	1290.77	1
Gray Sanitation	Services	90.00	1
Dayton M Harson	Feed	19.22	1
City-Havelock	Road Use Taxes	766.51	1
City-Havelock	Utilities	600.00	1
Healthcare First	Service	104.74	1
K Hoffman	Mileage	19.89	1
B Hetrick	Mileage	198.99	1
Humboldt Co Sheriff	Service	709.49	1
HyVee AR	Jail Meds	53.49	1
IState Truck	Parts	258.99	1
IADPS	Service	1431.00	1
IA Prison Ind	Signs	3492.80	1
IA Prison Ind	Uniform	230.00	1
ISU	Education	220.00	1
IHCA	Training	875.00	1
ILEA	Service	125.00	1
IA Lakes Elec	Electricity	6747.50	3
Iowa State University Institut	Education	1050.00	1
ISAC	Training	790.00	4
Jack's Uniform	Uniform	1436.43	1
Jacks OK Tire	Tires/Parts	1874.62	1
Johnston Auto	Supplies	55.53	1
Kakacek Lawn	Service	900.00	1
KAYL	Ad	105.00	1
Robert Kleen Kleen Painting	Painting	1190.00	1
M Klocke	Mileage	22.23	1
Irva Krause	Refund	330.00	1

LMPC	Service	643.26	1
LMPC	Utilities	281.60	1
Laurens Sun	Minutes	335.02	1
Philips Lifeline	Lifeline	329.60	1
Mary J Litwiller	Expenses	89.74	1
Machine Shop	Supplies	1121.34	2
Martin Marietta	Granular	127098.49	1
Mediacom	Line Chg	15.67	1
Mid Co Machinery	Maintenance	1652.10	1
MidAm Energy	Utilities	268.53	1
MW Card & ID	Service	1250.00	1
Midwest Wheel	Parts	1100.28	1
Misty Mace	Signs	80.00	1
Murphy Tractor	Parts	188.04	1
Napa	Supplies	12.99	1
L Nehman	Safety	105.93	1
Netsmart	Service	47.40	1
New Way Ford	Equipment	130040.00	1
New Way Ford	Service	3471.23	2
Northern Safety Co Inc	Safety	155.44	1
Northwest Concrete Products Co	Materials	1005.00	1
NW IA YES	Service	631.50	1
Office Elements	Supplies	459.84	3
PAC Manufact Co	Supplies	120.00	1
Palmer Mutual	Line Chg	164.96	1
City-Palmer	Road Use Taxes	2009.39	1
City-Palmer	Utilities	107.23	1
PJ Greufe	Services	7500.00	2
City-Plover	Road Use Taxes	936.13	1
City-Plover	Utilities	100.00	1
Plumb Supply	Supplies	739.78	1
Po Co Aud	GIS	3000.00	1
Po Co Home Care	Aides	11739.50	3
Po Co Solid Waste	Rural	10875.36	3
PO CO IT Dept	Phone Fiber	53.24	1
Poca Equip	Parts	60.54	2
Poca Comm Hospital	Meals	1568.00	1
Poca Comm Hospital	Safety	322.50	1
Poky Fiber	Service	89.95	1
Pro Co-Op	Fuel	2424.24	3
Radar Rd Tec	Radar Cert	245.00	1
Rapid Reproductions	Engineering Equipment	6200.00	1
Record Dem	Ads	1860.68	5
Rees Enterprises LLC DBA Mid-I	Service	2500.00	1
Rees Truck	Parts	970.22	1
Steve Ripperger	Plug	600.00	1
E Ahlrichs	Mileage	223.33	1
City-Rolfe	Utilities	728.24	1
Rubber Inc	Parts	251.25	1
J Runneberg	Safety/Phone Reimb	220.75	1
Schoon Excavating	Drainage	16127.59	1
IA SOS	Mailing	650.69	1
Seiler Appl	Service	489.00	2
Select Parts	Parts	725.25	1
Sports Rehab	Service	872.46	1
A Stern-Domek	Mileage	119.46	1
STRAHL LLC	Engineering Equip	220.00	1
T Reuters	Service	165.21	1
Donald P Trexel	Mileage	12.87	1
UnityPoint Occ Health	Safety	200.00	1
US Cellular	Phone	56.41	1
USPS	Supplies	366.60	1
K Vadar	Mileage	304.50	1
Matthew J Valentine	Uniform	221.24	1
Van Diest Supply	Chemicals	835.56	1
City-Varina	Road Use Taxes	359.35	1
Nathanial J Vento	Training	90.00	1
Verizon	Phones	989.03	4
Counsel	Lease	41.74	1
J Watson	Meals	156.49	1
Wells Fargo	Pay Off	2314.00	1
Calvin Wheeler	Well	385.20	1
Windstream	Line Chg	326.66	2
Woods	Supplies	46.58	2
Ziegler	Supplies	1101.14	1
Grand Total		408327.60	

Weekly meetings: Ives-Economic Development and Workforce Development; Stauter-Pipeline and YES Center; Aden-Economic Development and Pipeline; Siepker-Rolling Hills, Conservation, Pipeline, and DECAT; and Smith-Two pipeline meetings, Conservation, Public Health concerns, Safety, and Building & Grounds. All Supervisors participated in the Jt. DD 63 ROW Hearing and budget reviews.

Auditor Jepsen updated the Board on budget requests, ending balances and possible levies. Jepsen also advised of an error the State made in calculating the residential rollback. The legislators may pass a bill requiring each county to redo their valuations, which would affect every levying authority across the State. If the bill passes, Pocahontas County's valuation would decrease by almost \$8,000,000.00.

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

Brent Aden, Chairman

Kelly Jepsen, Auditor