

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
October 20, 2020

The Board of Supervisors of Pocahontas County, Iowa, met at 10:00 a.m., in regular session pursuant to adjournment.

Members present: Chairman, Jeffrey Ives; Supervisors, Clarence Siepker, Brent Aden, and Louis Stauter; Auditor, Kelly Jepsen; and Reporter, Erin Sommers. Supervisor Ed Dewey was absent.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Aden, to approve the minutes, dated October 13, 2020, as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve the tentative as posted. Ayes all, motion carried.

At 10:00 a.m., the Board proceeded to the bid letting for open ditch repairs for DD 41. Full minutes can be found in the appropriate drainage books in the Auditor's Office.

Jill Conlin, Pocahontas County Home Care Aide Agency Director, requested a wage increase for Mary Eastman, as Eastman has taken on extra responsibilities. Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to approve a wage increase for Mary Eastman, Administrative Assistant, from \$15.80/hour to \$16.30/hour. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve the Treasurer's Quarterly Investment Report from July 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve a tax abatement on parcel 08-05-262-017, S. 20' Lot 4 Blk. 14, for the City of Rolfe, for FY20 and FY21, in the amount of \$474.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to approve a pay increase for Randal Lauderback, Secondary Roads employee, as he has completed his probationary period. Effective October 12, 2020, Lauderback's new rate of pay was \$21.20, as per union contract. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Siepker, to approve allowances, disallowances, and deletions as recommended by the County Assessor for Homestead, Military, and Disabled Veterans Homestead tax credit applications for the 2020 valuation year pursuant to Iowa Code 425.3, 425.15, and 426A.14. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve Jt. DD 63, Br. Main Tile claim from the Emmetsburg Reporter-Democrat for publishing the notice to bid, for \$115.13. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plan: (1) KT Pork, LLC – ID# 61834 located in the SW SW, Section 20, Cedar Township, with Trevor Schwartz as owner & contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to cancel the Board of Supervisors meeting for Tuesday, November 3, 2020, due to the 2020 General Election; and set the canvass of the General Election for Tuesday, November 10th, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room at the Courthouse. Ayes all, motion carried. Ayes all, motion carried.

Kelly Jepsen, County Auditor, advised that the county had reached their goal for the 2020 Wellness Program, earning a 5% premium deduction for health insurance.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, gave an update on N-28. The contractor is making good progress; the shouldering in the South 12 miles will be complete tomorrow and then they will move north. Due to the current condition of the parking lot at the Courthouse Moellering recommended placing a coal patch in the area damaged by the tree removal; the Board agreed with his recommendation.

Weekly meetings: Aden-Board of Health and DD 47 Br. F concerns; and Stauter-Yes Center, ISG, and met with Brian Blomme.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Jeffrey K. Ives, Chairman

Kelly Jepsen, Auditor