

**Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
December 3, 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; Peter Seehusen; Dereck Hebert, IT; Gary Atherton, Assist. Engineer.

Motion by Clarence Siepker, seconded by Brent Aden, to approve the minutes from November 26, 2024 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

Old Business – ARPA funds. Dereck Hebert received the third quote from Midwest Alarm. Dereck reviewed the quotes and felt there were only two choices. Iowa Fire but that would only cover the Courthouse. Lynx Systems, which is cloud based, could utilize all county buildings. With Lynx Systems, we could eliminate panic buttons and utilize keys on a keyboard for \$5,450.00/year. Dereck will check on cost for hardware for the fire system. Lynx Systems can also provide mass notifications.

Nita Hinrickson, Auditor, advised the Board that she reached out to two other companies on painting the rotunda and will hopefully hear back this week. Tate Schmeling reviewed the invoice for their expenses for the Law Enforcement Center and was able to lower the cost. Nita will send the invoice to John Hansen to have it come out of the bond.

Nita also advised that Brian Reis had presented some options for the use of ARPA funds. Once painting quotes are received, the Board will look at other options for the rest of the funds. Nita will reach out to contractors and get a quote on siding, one garage door and windows for the building located east of the new LEC.

Louis Stauter asked about public storm shelter once the Sheriff's office moves to the new building. Nita will check with Steve Nelson to see if there will be space to utilize at the Law Enforcement Center.

Motion by Brent Aden, seconded by Clarence Siepker, to acknowledge Christina Poncin's 12 month's as full-time jailer/dispatcher with the Sheriff's Office. Her new rate of pay effective December 11, 2024 will be \$21.05/hr. Ayes all, motion carried.

After discussion with Gary Atherton regarding the invoice, motion by Brent Aden, seconded by Clarence Siepker, to approve Calhoun County's proposed Open Ditch Repair of JDD 9 Cal 13 Poc for \$1,500.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Jeff Ives, seconded by Clarence Siepker, to approve drainage claims from secondary roads for the following ditches: DD 30 Main - \$300.37 & \$725.38; DD 41 MOD – \$2,789.91 & \$1,696.92; DD41 Br 6 - \$807.18; DD41 Br 32 Open Ditch - \$351.79; Dd 47 Br F - \$1,038.33; DD53 - \$455.39, \$351.79 & \$807.18; DD 57 Main - \$1,258.21; DD 57 MOD - \$3,433.79 & \$85.16; DD 63 - \$351.79; DD 86 - \$3,797.33; DD87 Main Tile - \$1,379.09; DD114 MOD - \$703.58; DD128 - \$1,009.66; DD 167 Tile - \$2,266.52; DD 170 Lateral 7 Tile - \$788.87.

Motion by Clarence Siepker, seconded by Louis Stauter, to approve drainage claims from secondary roads for the following ditches: DD181 Little Cedar - \$329.00 & \$414.00; DD181 Big Cedar - \$351.79.

Motion by Jeff Ives, seconded by Brent Aden, to approve Pocahontas County Auditor DD 51 Reimbursement claim of \$57.82 for proposed repairs meeting. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Jeff Ives, seconded by Clarence Siepker, to approve Hudson Law Firm invoice of \$450.00 for DD51 calls.

Motion by Clarence Siepker, seconded by Brent Aden, to approve Manure Management Plans (1) Wacousta 4 Site – ID# 71771 NW SW, Sec. 4, Wacousta Township, Humboldt Co. Summit Pork IV, LLP as owner & Scott Jacobsen as contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Weekly meetings: Ives- none; Stauter- drainage concerns; Smith- Department Head & Jail Meeting; Siepker- UDSM & Laurens City Council Meeting and Aden- Solid Waste.

Clean Grid Alliance will be hosting a Solar 101 Event on December 9th at 6:00pm at the Manson Area Community Center.

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

Kyle Smith, Chairman

Nita Hinrickson, Auditor