

Supervisors Room, Courthouse  
Pocahontas, Iowa  
February 9, 2021

The Board of Supervisors of Pocahontas County, Iowa, met in regular session pursuant to adjournment.

Members present: Chairman, Clarence Sieper; Supervisors, Jeffrey Ives, Brent Aden, Louis Stauter, Kyle Smith; and Auditor, Kelly Jepsen. Others Present: Reporter, Erin Somers. Telephonically: Keyton Strutzenburg.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve the minutes, dated February 2, 2021 and February 5, 2021 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Ives, to approve the tentative agenda with the addition of Steve Nelson, Sheriff, to discuss FY22 budget request at 11:30 a.m. Ayes all, motion carried.

Shelly Zabel, CFR Prevention Specialists, met telephonically with the Board to give an update on the prevention services they provide in Pocahontas County and made a budgetary request of \$7,200 for FY22. In FY20, 90 hours of prevention services was given to 287 people in Pocahontas County.

Curt Sindergard, (telephonically), and Amy Johnson, County Treasurer, came before the Board and requested an assignment of County held certificates on parcels #03-27-100-007 and #03-27-100-010, located in the North half of the NW quarter of Section 27 of Powhatan Township. Johnson recommended that the taxes and drainage not be abated, since the valuation of the two parcel is \$79,230. Motion by Ives, seconded by Stauter, to authorize the Treasurer to sell the two tax certificates, #17-181 and #17-182, to Curt Sindergard for the cost of the back taxes and drainage of \$5,675.64 plus the transfer fee of \$20.00, totaling \$5,695.64. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Ives, to continue with the County's established Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) guidelines until February 28, 2021. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to approve the appointment of Chief Deputy Sheriff, Wes Van Donge, as Jail Administrator. Ayes all, motion carried. As of February 4, 2021, Van Donge took on these additional duties.

Motion by Ives, seconded by Smith, to appoint Jodi Clausen as a Pocahontas County Medical Examiner- Investigator, as she has successfully completed the Medicolegal Death Investigator Training Course. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Aden, to set a public hearing for the max levy on the FY22 Budget for Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room of the Courthouse. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Ives, seconded by Aden, to authorize the Chairman to sign the letter to IDALS requesting payment #1 for DD 168, in the amount of \$1,126,862.62. Ayes all. Motion carried.

On behalf of the Interim Board, a motion was made by Stauter, seconded by Aden, to deny the Jt. DD 181 Big Cedar claim from the Pocahontas County Secondary Roads for watchman's service, in the amount of \$424.41. Ayes-Aden, Sieper, Stauter, Smith; Nay-Ives. Motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Stauter, to approve the Jt. DD 46-88 Main Open Ditch claim from the Pocahontas County Secondary Roads for watchman's service, in the amount of \$1,167.13. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Ives, seconded by Aden, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plans: (1) 123 (T. Lampe)-ID#61614 located in the NE NW, Section 9, Cummins Township with New Fashion Pork as owners & Sarah Withers as contact person; (2) Farm 235-Reed – ID# 67051 located in the SE NE, Section 26, Dover Township with New Fashion Pork as owner & Sarah Withers as contact person; and (3) Schnell Turkey Farm – ID# 65240 located in the SW SW, Section 3, Douglas Township, Sac County with Michael Schnell as owner & contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Aden, to approve all the claims as reviewed by the Supervisors for payment, including claims with documented public purposes. Ayes all, motion carried. The following claims were audited and allowed:

A & M Laundry	Supplies	69.50	1
Ability Network	Service	1254.12	1
Parker Aden	Consultant	282.23	1
K Aljets	nylon tee	38.36	1
Alliant Energy	Utilities	313.15	1
Amazon Capital Services	pump/barrel	78.88	1
Amazon Capital Services	socket	26.31	1
Amazon Capital Services	Equip	107.94	1
Amazon Capital Services	Parts	33.98	1
Amazon Capital Services	Supplies	800.31	5
Arnold Motor	Parts	183.43	1
AT&T	Phone	56.64	1
Bauer Construction	Office Updates	2285.32	1
Marvin Beneke	Board of Adj	25.00	1
Bi-State Elec	Equip	132.00	1
Bomgaars	Uniform	144.99	1
BV Co Journal	Minutes	707.92	1
Calhoun-Burns	Bridge Rate/Inspect	4855.97	1
Charm-Tex	Supplies	159.78	1
City-Pocahontas	Utilities	5196.50	5
Counsel	engineer/copier	68.83	1
Counsel	Lease	78.65	2
Creative Stitches	Uniform	710.34	1
B Dahl	Mileage	101.70	1
B Dahl	Phone	25.00	1

Dollar Gen	Supplies	169.50	1
Laura S Erickson	Postage	8.55	1
Farm & Home	clamps	21.16	1
Farm & Home	coupler #82	13.99	1
Farm & Home	furnace filter	12.87	1
Farm & Home	fuse/duct tape	38.47	1
Farm & Home	gloves	14.49	1
Farm & Home	mailbox	43.99	1
Farm & Home	pump #82	361.99	1
Farm & Home	pvc cement	11.98	1
Farm & Home	rake	23.99	1
Farm & Home	swivel #1 tank	74.99	1
Farm & Home	tape	3.67	1
Farm & Home	Supplies	916.92	5
Michelle L Ferguson	Training	118.87	1
Allan Fischer	reimb mailbox	25.00	1
City-Fonda	Utilities	202.66	1
Force America	Parts	186.50	1
T Grau	Expenses	245.19	1
Great American Financial Serv	Lease	241.83	1
Barbra J Hinners	Postage	22.00	1
Randy Hopkins	Board of Adj	25.00	1
Hannah G Hubbell	Phone	25.00	1
Hannah G Hubbell	Supplies	48.96	1
Humboldt Co Sheriff	Service	30.00	1
HyVee AR	Meds	35.14	1
ILEA	Admin Fee	125.00	1
Indian Traders Chad Boysen	Weapons	150.00	1
ISU	Training	40.00	1
Jack's Uniform	Uniforms	249.74	1
R Jergens	Expenses	509.55	1
R Jergens	Mileage	250.00	1
Juicebox Interactive	Website	230.00	1
Kaseya US, LLC	Equip	13906.84	1
Keltek	amber flashing lights	694.26	1
Brooke A Krips	Mileage	185.53	1
Brooke A Krips	Phone	25.00	1
L-Tron Corporation	Equip	1856.74	1
Laurens Municipal	utilities/Laurens	215.97	1
Laurens Sun	Minutes	1030.42	1
RELX INC DBA LexisNexis	Service	110.00	1
Loffler	Lease	81.86	1
Mail Servcs	Postage	204.09	1
Tiffiany M McClurg	Training	30.00	1
Mediacom	Internet	229.40	1
St Med Exam	Autopsy Serv	6210.00	1
K Metzger	Mileage	188.33	1
K Metzger	Phone	25.00	1
Meyer Electric	Service	5581.62	1
MidAmeri Energy	rural Manson int. lts	28.19	1
MidAmeri Energy	Electricity	44.17	1
MidAmeri Energy	GC/elec	48.98	1
Murphys Flooring	Flooring	4184.81	1
Myron Corp	Pub Relations	160.14	1
Napa	fuel line	3.38	1
Kayla M Nedved	Mileage	23.18	1
Kayla M Nedved	Phone	25.00	1
S Nelson	Phone	171.58	1
Nomann Construction	Door	633.18	1
Northland Prod	Supplies	235.95	1
NW Comm	Internet	27.95	1
NW Comm	Phone	1705.52	1
OASIS Answers	Training	796.00	1
Office Elements	Equip	1412.92	1
Office Elements	Supplies	177.62	4
Palmer Mutual Tel	Phone	314.92	1
City-Palmer	utilities/Palmer	94.84	1
Pitney Bowes	Lease	325.23	2
Po Co Recorder	Record	15.00	1
Pocahontas Co. IT Department	long distance/engineer	35.13	1
Pocahontas Co. IT Department	Phone Internet	146.58	1
Poca Fiber	Phone Internet	1738.96	3
Pro Co-Op	diesel	25064.37	1
Pro Co-Op	gas	2822.57	1
Pro Co-Op	propane/Fonda	875.19	1
Pro Co-Op	propane/Havelock	742.10	1
Pro Co-Op	propane/Palmer	607.15	1
Pro Co-Op	propane/Varina	534.46	1
Pro Co-Op	Fuel	572.15	2
RAM Systems	Service	565.00	1
Record Dem	Ads	561.60	2
Record Dem	Budget	105.00	2
Record Dem	Minutes	1010.87	1
Record Dem	Report	447.35	1
Record Dem	Subscrip	30.00	1
Record Dem	Supplies	400.00	1
Jackie L. Thompson Schaffner J	Service	301.00	1
Schreier Pumping Inc	crushing concrete	34337.70	1
IA SOS	Notary	30.00	1
Seiler App	Parts	9.00	1
Select Parts	solenoids	62.83	1
Shield Tech	Service	500.00	1
Solutions Inc	Renewal	562.18	1
Troy Stockwell	Board of Adj	25.00	1
M Thomas	Supplies	1418.40	1
Anne E Thompson	Fee	334.89	1
Anne E Thompson	Phone	25.00	1
Transit Works	Supplies	105.90	1
Verizon	Hot Spot	544.90	1
Verizon	Phones	701.27	1
Webster Co Sheriff	Service	18.36	1
Wells Fargo Financial Leasing	Lease	89.00	1
Emily A Williams	Expenses	884.32	1

Windstream	Phone	264.26	2
Melissia M Zuetlau	Fuel	8.57	1
Grand Total		139698.53	

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, advised that the DOT would like to finalize the payment for the road use for the detours by Mallard and Gilmore City. It was the concessions of the Board to have Moellering sign the agreement with the DOT.

The Board questioned Moellering why his FY22 budget request revenues were considerably higher than his expenditures. After discussion, Moellering agreed to change the county contribution from 90% to 80%, approximately \$235,000.00.

Kelly Jepsen, County Auditor, advised that Governor Reynolds has reallocated Local Government Relief Funds to counties to aid in the relief of COVID-19 expenses incurred. Pocahontas County is set to receive an additional \$86,326.09 in grants. The Board and Jepsen discussed the County Facilities Reopening Plan and were in an agreement to stay in Phase Two, where mask are required to be worn, until more County's residents receive the COVID-19 vaccination.

At 11:00 a.m., the Board, along with Gary Atherton, Assistant to the Engineer/Drainage Clerk, held a bid letting for the repair on DD 59. The full minutes are available for review in the Auditor's office.

Weekly meetings: Ives- Solid Waste concerns; Aden and Smith-Department Head meeting; Siepker-Trails and Upper Des Moines Executive meeting; and Stauter-CFR and Fair board. All Supervisors participated in a special session to discuss the FY22 budgets.

Sheriff, Steve Nelson and Barb Hinners, Sheriff's Office Supervisor, met with the Board to discuss the Sheriff's Department's FY22 budget request. They will make some adjustments and resubmit their budget request to the Auditor.

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

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Clarence Siepker, Chairman

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Kelly Jepsen, Auditor