

Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
May 10, 2022

The Board of Supervisors of Pocahontas County, Iowa, met in regular session pursuant to adjournment. Members present: Chairman, Louis Stauter; Supervisors, Jeffrey Ives, Brent Aden, Clarence Siepker, Kyle Smith; and Auditor, Kelly Jepsen. Also present: Reporter, Erin Somers.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Aden, to approve the minutes, dated May 3, 2022, as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

The agenda was approved as posted, on motion by Smith, seconded by Ives. Ayes all, motion carried.

Amy Johnson, County Treasurer, advised that parcel 13-30-200-003, which has several years of back taxes and drainage against it, has been quit claim deeded to Fay Wadle. Wadle is willing to pay all the outstanding drainage of \$1,474.93 and requested the property taxes, \$737.00, be abated. Since the property has been transferred, property tax going forward will be paid. After discussion, a motion was made by Aden, seconded by Smith to approve a tax abatement on said parcels for \$737.00. Ayes all, motion carried. Present: Dennis Wadle

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Aden, to table the Clean Air/Tobacco Use Policy until next week. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Ives, seconded by Smith, to approve the request of explanation of claim benefits and authorization to release protected health information for Benefits, Inc. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Ives, to acknowledge the resignation of Emily Williams, FT Workforce Marketing Coordinator, for Economic Development, effective May 3, 2022, and thank her for her service to Pocahontas County. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Aden, to acknowledge Rolling Hills Governance Board's pay increase for Alison Hauser. Ayes all, motion carried. Hauser's salary increased to \$54,000.00 and is retroactive to January 1, 2022. Rolling Hills reimburses Pocahontas County for Hauser's wages.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to approve a pay increase to \$12.00/hr. for precinct election officials and \$15.00/hr. for the precinct election official Chairman. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Siepker, seconded by Ives, to approve the Recorder's April Report of Fees Collected. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Ives, seconded by Aden, to approve the Fourth Amendment to the Child Support County Staffing Contract between the Iowa Department of Human Services, Bureau of Collections and the Webster County (Host) Political Subdivision. Ayes all, motion carried. The amendment extends the duration of the contract from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 and incorporates the program budget for FY 23.

The Board reviewed the revised quote for Estes Construction. Estes gave the County a quote in 2020 to do an assessment of the Courthouse to determine areas of concern, prioritize all the issues found, suggest solutions, and give a cost range. This would assist in making educated decisions that would help save time and money by understanding the unseen needs of a building that is almost 100-years-old. Motion by Smith, seconded by Ives, to approve Estes Construction to do both a basic assessment and a MEP assessment on the Courthouse, for \$12,000.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Ives, to acknowledge receipt of Manure Management Plan: (1) Park Lane Farms, LLC – ID# 61547 located in the SW SW, Section 7, Colfax Township with Park Lane Farms, LLC as owner & contact. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

A & M Laundry	Supplies	104.25	1
A Plus Auto	Parts	303.90	1
Alliant Energy	Utilities	425.33	1
Alpha Wireless	Supplies	60.00	1
Amazon	Supplies	325.86	2
Arnold Motor	Parts	33.96	1
G Atherton	Phone/Mileage	131.95	1
Axon	Service	375.00	1
Cory D Bailey	Supplies	179.60	3
Craig Banwart	Well Plug	500.00	1
B H Energy	Natural Gas	2156.36	4
Calhoun-Burns	Bridge Rate/Inspect	2595.59	1
Cemstone	Concrete	411.00	1
CID	Supplies	332.00	2
CenturyLink	Service	13735.02	2
City-Pocahontas	Utilities	4501.38	6
CJ Cooper & Asso	Fees	35.00	1
Coffmans Lock	Service	859.40	1
J Conlin	BG Check	15.00	1
James P Conway	Feed	18.19	1
Counsel	Lease	110.17	2
Creative Stitches	Uniform	120.00	1
Cummins Inc.	Maint	1161.13	2
Dollar Gen	Supplies	14.50	1
Doolittle Oil	Supplies	461.83	1
Electronic Eng	Repair	91.50	1
Electronic Special	Labor	240.10	1

Farm & Home	Supplies	913.48	2
Fast Lane	Supplies	26.90	1
Tim Flaherty	Well Plug	440.73	1
City-Fonda	Utilities	197.20	1
Foundation An	Service	339.00	1
Patrick Frank	Well Plug	413.13	1
Frazier Nursery	Trees	19928.00	1
Gordon Flesch	Lease	35.00	1
T Grau	Expenses	679.30	1
GreatAmerican	Lease	242.56	1
Healthcare First	Service	104.74	1
Dereck A Hebert	Renewal	20.00	1
Henderson Prod	New truck box #133	21198.90	1
K Hoffman	Mileage	19.89	1
Hannah G Hubbell	Phone	26.05	2
Dave Hundertmark	Well Plug	500.00	1
IState Truck	Supplies	159.72	1
ICRA	Dues	200.00	1
IA DOT	Services	241.60	1
IA Prison Ind	Signs-Supplies	660.00	1
ILEA	Service	50.00	1
Insight	Licenses	2943.00	2
IA Lakes Elec	Repair	122.00	1
ISU	Excavation Safety	725.00	2
Jack's Uniform	Uniform	198.73	1
Jacks OK Tire	Tires/Parts	3323.20	1
VialConst	Labor	1014.00	1
K Jepsen	Mileage	98.57	1
R Jergens	Expenses	1230.53	2
Johnston Auto	Supplies	30.00	1
Juicebox	Hosting	230.00	1
KIAQ-FM	Ad	769.00	1
M Klocke	Mileage	22.23	1
Brooke A Krips	Mileage	349.07	1
House of Print	Supplies	330.00	1
Laurens Municipal	Utilities	241.60	1
Lawson Products	Supplies	260.41	1
LexisNexis	Service	110.00	1
Loffler	Lease	347.40	1
Mail Services	Service	250.75	1
Martin Marietta	Rock	1355.27	3
McKesson	Supplies	633.35	1
Mediacom	Internet	236.90	1
Menards	Supplies	382.31	2
K Metzger	Mileage	565.87	1
MidAm Energy	Electric	242.23	6
Midwest Wheel	Supplies	580.19	1
Robin K Moore	Meals	210.02	3
Murphy Tractor	Parts	93.14	1
Kayla M Nedved	Mileage	58.93	2
S Nelson	Ammo & Phone	451.13	2
Netsmart	Service	1682.00	1
Norsolv Sys	Waste Oil Disposal	261.95	1
NW Comm	Line Chg	300.00	1
Office Elements	Supplies	267.42	2
City-Palmer	Utilities	192.38	2
People Works	Training	549.00	1
Pitney Bowes	Lease	170.43	1
PJ Greufe	Services	6000.00	1
City-Plover	Utilities	100.00	1
Po Co Home Care	Aides	26.77	1
Po Co Extension	Spraying Materials	45.00	1
Poky Sales & Serv	Repairs	26.00	1
Poca Comm Hospital	Services	34.75	1
Poky Fiber	Phone Internet	284.90	2
Poky Ford	Service	93.05	1
Pro Co-Op	Fuel	272.94	1
Prof Dev	Dues	355.00	1
Ray's Plumbing	Supplies	576.60	1
Reagan Outdoor	Billboard	1450.00	1
Record Dem	Ads	637.00	2
Rees Truck	Parts	431.02	1
Connie Schachtner	Mileage	133.38	1
SCI Comm	Service	1687.12	2
Seiler App	Service	228.75	2
Solutions	Forms	331.90	2
SS Collision	Service	875.00	1
M Parrott	Supplies	118.62	1
Surplus Center	Supplies	27.95	1
TEAM Services, Inc.	Outside Eng	2085.75	1
T Reuters	Service	154.40	1
Donald P Trexel	Mileage	12.87	1
Union Pacific	Lights	4530.92	1
VA CCN Refunds	Refunds	124.00	1
Nathanial J Vento	Mileage	473.85	1
Verizon	Cell Phones	4330.17	3
R Vosberg	Postage	14.76	1
Wells Fargo	Lease	89.00	1
Wex Bank	Fuel	45.21	1
Windstream	Line Chg	264.26	2
Wolcyn Tree Farm	Trees	6596.50	1
Woodley Ins	Insurance	418.00	1
Woods	Supplies	14.32	1
Ziegler	Supplies	965.76	1
Grand Total		130377.75	

Motion by Aden, seconded by Siepker, to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract for pavement markings with Vogel Traffic Services from Orange City, IA for \$53,319.03. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Ives, to approve the hire of Brian Gronewald, as the Palmer Truck Driver for Secondary Roads. Gronewald will start on May 23, 2022 at \$21.01/hour. Ayes all, motion carried.

Jack Moellering, County Engineer, and the Board discussed the applications for the Assistant County Engineer position. It was the consensus to continue advertising for an Engineer. Supervisor Smith will gather information on locations to advertise for Moellering.

Moellering presented a new bid for an excavator. Road Machinery & Supplies Co. from Sioux City, IA bid \$189,375.00 for a Komatsu, model #PCL138USLC-11 Excavator. After considering all the bids, the comfort level of the operators, and the availability, a motion was made by Ives, seconded by Smith, to authorize the County Engineer to purchase the Komatsu from Road Machinery & Supplies Co. from Sioux City, IA for \$189,375.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

On behalf of the Jail Committee, Al Hinrickson recommended that the Board hire an architect to do a preliminary drawing so the cost of a new jail facility can be compared with the cost of transporting inmates to area county jail facilities. Hinrickson present a fee structure for Rick A. Weidner, AIA, to provide preliminary site plans to aid in deciding the location for a new jail, and to be used for public meetings and brochures, at a cost of \$9,000.00. The Board requested more bids for architectural services.

Weekly meetings: Ives –Jail committee and drainage concerns; Stauter – Department Head meeting and cemetery & drainage concerns; and Smith– Board of Health, Department Head, and jail committee. All Supervisors participated in the DD 60 hearing on repairs and bid letting.

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

Louis Stauter, Chairman

Kelly Jepsen, Auditor