June 18, 2001

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met on the above date at 9:00 a.m. in the Magistrate Court Room on the third floor of the Mahaska County courthouse. Present were Board members: Howard Groenendyk, Greg Gordy, Henry VanWeelden. Also present: Kay Swanson County Auditor; Michelle Moore, Bill Mick, Jimmy Carter, Tim Massier from Zeigler Co., Daryl Menninga from Swaney Equipment Co., Randy DeGeest, Lori Faybik from the Ottumwa Courier, Dennis Luebbe County Engineer, Calvin Stam, Kelly Minter, Tucker Lillis, Jamie Brockman KBOE Radio, Wendy Smith, Mike Peterson Rexco Company; Larry Jackson and Mayor Tom Rielly, Larry Stevens, Stephen Rowe, Carl Moyer, Gary and Jodi Shearer. Chairman Groenendyk opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the agenda with the deletion of the approval of minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the bills for May in the amount of \$989227.75 and payroll \$468,600.02. All ayes. Motion carried.

Michelle Moore from the Mahaska County Agricultural and Rural Development Committee gave her monthly report and a report on the Revolving Loan Funds. They were placed on file.

Bill Mick from the South Central Mental Health gave an update on the financial condition of the Mental Health Center. The South Central Mental Health Center Board had met and agreed to give the Accounts Receivable amounts to Mahaska County after June 30, 2001. This is an estimated \$57,610.00.

The matter of the Courthouse Security Plan was tabled.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the request of the Sheriff to increase the mileage rate for the service of papers and institutional trips to .34 cents. The old rate was .32 cents. This is effective July 1, 2001. All ayes. Motion carried.

The matter of the air conditioning maintenance contracts was tabled.

Motorgrader bids were opened:

Road Machinery & Supplies Co.	\$154,379.00
Rexco Equipment, Inc.	140,975.00
Ziegler, Inc.	165,609.00
Swaney Equipment Co.	156,394.00
The engineer will examine the bids and make a recommendation later today.	

The engineer recommended a pay change for Colette Scott from \$24,946.00 to \$25,393.00 to be effective July 1, 2001. No action was taken on this matter.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Groenendyk to approve a salary increase for Shirley Ashman, clerk in the Supervisors office of 2% effective July 1, 2001. Two ayes One nay. Motion carried.

MAHASKA COUNTY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Chapters 84A and 84B created the Iowa Department of Workforce Development rural and satellite office network, which now consists of 71 Iowa Workforce Development Centers maintained statewide; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Workforce Development rural and satellite offices provide many essential services for employers and businesses, including recruitment; application processing; screening services; and workforce consulting; and many valuable services to Iowa citizens, including job development, referral and placement; unemployment insurance services; job training for welfare recipients; and labor market information; and

WHEREAS, the employers, businesses and residents of this county and surrounding counties have benefited greatly from services provided by the Iowa Workforce Development rural and satellite offices; and

WHEREAS, it is our belief that mass closure of the Iowa Workforce Development rural and satellite office network will have a lasting negative affect statewide, causing small and rural businesses more hardship in an increasingly unstable economic period;

WHEREAS, the unemployment insurance surcharge, which funds 56 of the 71 Iowa Workforce Development rural and satellite offices throughout Iowa is currently set to sunset on June 30, 2001, unless there is further action by the Iowa Legislature during the special session scheduled to convene on June 19, 2001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors supports and endorses the Behn amendment, Senate Amendment 3698 to House File 696, which would extend the unemployment insurance surcharge and allow the continues operation of the Iowa Workforce Development rural and satellite office network.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditor's office shall forward a copy of this resolution to state legislators serving this county and to Senators Jerry Behn and Stewart Iverson, and Representative Brent Siegrist, State Capitol, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

Motion by VanWeelden and seconded by Gordy to adopt this resolution. Ayes: VanWeelden, Gordy, Groenendyk Nays: None

Dated this 18th day of June, 2001

ATTEST _____County Auditor

Motion by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the recommendation of the County Engineer to purchase the Caterpillar 3306 DIT motorgrader from Ziegler Inc. for \$165,609.00. All ayes. Motion carried.

Following much discussion with the members of the city council, school board and public present it was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to expand upon the motion as recorded in the May 5, 2001 minutes for the county's share of the local option sales tax to be placed in the general fund for property tax relief except where 28E agreements have been signed with the school districts. Roll call vote: Gordy – aye; VanWeelden – aye; Groenendyk – aye. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed until 1:00 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:08 p.m.

Owner Carl Moyer, and managers Gary and Jodi Shearer, of the Eddyville Raceway Park and Stephen Rowe from Snyder & Associates discussed with the Board about the road from the highway to the Raceway Park. It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve to agree to the concept to hard surface the 3000' access to the Eddyville Raceway on Merino Ave and the Engineer would continue to negotiate with the DOT the cost. All Ayes. Motion carried.

City manager Don Sandor and City Engineer Larry Stevens discussed the memo that County Engineer Dennis Luebbe had sent to the city about the 35th Street Annexation Agreement. The city wants the county to waive the fees for the annexed portion of 35th Street. Will investigate the matter more.

Bid for rebuilding a cold storage building at the County shop grounds was received from Pro-line Co. Inc. for \$60,661.00. This would replace the building destroyed by storm in June 1998 and was insured. Insurance money has been received. No action was taken today.

The county engineer's employment contract was discussed and was tabled until July 2, 2001.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to remove Kerri Folkerts from the jail payroll effective June 30, 2001 at the request of the Sheriff. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to accept the resignation of Sara M. Hunt as County General Relief Director effective June 29, 2001. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Chairman

Kay Swanson, County Auditor