

December 4, 2006

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on the above date at 9:00 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the Mahaska County courthouse. Present were the following board members: Chairman – Greg Gordy; Vice chairman – Lawrence Rouw; Supervisor – Henry W. VanWeelden. Also present were the following: Scott Dailey, KBOE Radio; Scott Manthe, Oskaloosa Herald; Eric Palmer, Attorney; Ken DeWitt; Jerome Nusbaum; Chad Farner, Kid's Corner; Beth Danowsky; Mary Horras; and Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor.

Chairman Gordy opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the agenda for today's meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to approve the minutes of November 6th, 13th and 20th. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to approve the bills for November in the amount of \$736,369.63 and payroll in the amount of \$422,891.41. None denied. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Eric Palmer, attorney for Ken DeWitt and Ken DeWitt discussed the building permit that Mr. DeWitt had purchased in October. He had not at that time included a drawing of the property. That permit was denied. The board told him to re-apply and attach the drawing and submit it for consideration.

Meeting recessed at 9:25 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to open the public hearing for the consideration of an application for a Community Development Block Grant to be used for a community child care facility. All present voted aye. Motion carried. Beth Danowsky and Chad Farner discussed the grant application with the board. There were no written or oral comments from the public. It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to close the public hearing. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to co-sponsor with the City of Oskaloosa the application for the CDBG for the Early Childhood Center. Two aye; 1 nay. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to review and approve the following Mahaska County Community Development & Housing Needs Assessment as presented. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Federal law requires each local government applicant to identify community development and housing needs, including the needs of low- and moderate-income persons and activities that will be undertaken to meet the needs. The following procedure satisfies the requirement:

At a board of supervisors meeting, public hearing or similar public meeting, or during a community planning process, the following items should be discussed and recorded:

1. Major housing and community development needs of low- and moderate-income residents of the community.
2. Other major housing and community development needs (for residents who are not of low and moderate income).
3. Planned or potential activities to address the needs identified in 1 and 2 above.

MAHASKA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT

I. Community Development and Housing Needs of Low and Moderate Income Persons

- A. Adequate jobs and job training opportunities for lower income residents.
- B. Street and public utility improvements in lower income neighborhoods.
- C. Affordable, decent, safe and sanitary housing for lower income residents.
- D. Affordable day care options for lower income residents.

II. Other Community Development and Housing Needs

- A. Job opportunities for all residents.
- B. Street and public utility improvements concentrated in infrastructured incorporated areas away from agricultural areas.
- C. Develop, maintain and repurpose commercial and industrial areas to promote sustainable community growth.

III. Planned or Potential Activities to Address Housing and Community Needs

- A. The Mahaska County and the City of Oskaloosa are active participants with the Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development Committee, Main Street, Indian Hills Regional Development Committee and the Transportation Advisory Committee to promote job expansion. As a result of these activities several new jobs are being proposed within the community.
- B. The County has a comprehensive plan, land use plan and 5-year transportation plan to help guide street and public service improvements.
- C. Mahaska County supports and promotes the use of federal and state housing programs to assist low income residents with housing needs.
- D. Several agencies in the county that are involved in preschool, day care and after school care have been meeting for the past few years to develop a plan for addressing day care and other related issues for the community.

A total of two citizens were present at the 12/4/06 public hearing where the Community Development & Housing Needs Assessment was reviewed and approved. There were also, the county auditor and three members of the Board of Supervisors present. The assessment was approved as shown (or was modified to reflect).

Date

Signature

It was moved by Rouw seconded by VanWeelden to approve the request of the engineer to advance Scott Schippers to full time employment with benefits effective December 18, 2006. 2 aye. 1 nay. Motion carried.

The engineer discussed with the board to get bids for a tractor mower.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Rouw to adjourn. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Greg Gordy, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Kay Swanson, Mahaska County Auditor