

August 6, 2007

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 – Lawrence Rouw, Vice-Chairman – Henry W. VanWeelden and supervisor – Greg Gordy. Also present were the following: Scott Dailey, KBOE Radio; Joleen Arnold, Mahaska County CPC; Mike Gipple, Mahaska County Conservation; Henry VanRheenen; Mary Sexton, Mahaska County Clerk of Court; Troy Bemis, Courthouse Maintenance; Rose Anne Mefford, Mahaska County Attorney; Misti White, Asst. Mahaska County Attorney; Jerry Nusbaum, Mahaska County Engineer; and Sue Brown, Mahaska County Deputy Auditor.

Chairman Rouw called the meeting to order with a moment of silence.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the agenda for today's meeting with the addition of a discussion on the County Farm land lease. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the minutes for July 2nd and July 16th. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the bills for July in the amount of \$1,219,838.86 and payroll in the amount of \$309,195.81. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Van Weelden seconded by Gordy to approve the 4th quarter and the annual report for the Recorder. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

No action taken on Community Services office space.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to go into closed session for discussion of County Farm land lease at 9:20 a.m. per Iowa code section 21.5 (c). All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to move out of closed session at 9:35 a.m. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mike Gipple, Mahaska County Conservation Director, informed the board of a possible land donation to the County. No action taken.

Mary Sexton, Mahaska County Clerk of Court, reported safety concerns regarding the witness stand in the Magistrate courtroom. It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to direct Troy Bemis to remodel the witness stand in the Magistrate Courtroom with the state supplying the materials. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Henry VanRheenen discussed Willow Crest preliminary subdivision plat with the board. It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Gordy to approve the preliminary plat of Willow Crest subdivision. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

No action taken on a pet resolution for the Mahaska County Courthouse.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to add Mike Mothershed to the list of medical examiners and investigators for Mahaska County fiscal year 07-08. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

A special meeting will be set to finalize the Mahaska County Health Plan book.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Rouw to deny the request for tax abatement presented by an attorney for Cornie Boender. Two ayes. One nay. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to approve the follow resolution. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

STOP SIGN RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: The Board of Supervisors is empowered under Section 8B.07 of the Federal Highway Administration Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices 2000 to place Stop Signs at road/rail grade crossings warranting such safety improvements, and

WHEREAS: The 290th Street/Union Pacific Railroad crossing in East Des Moines Township lacks automated signals and has limited visibility of oncoming trains by approaching road vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors that Stop Signs be erected at both approaches of 290th Street to the Union Pacific Railroad crossing.

Passed and approved this 6th day of August, 2007.

/s/ Lawrence Rouw

Chairman, Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: /s/Sue Brown

Deputy Mahaska County Auditor

It was moved by Gordy seconded by VanWeelden to adjourn today's meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Lawrence Rouw, Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

Sue Brown, Deputy Auditor

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