

**August 10, 2015**

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met in special session on the above date at 11:00 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the Mahaska County courthouse. Present were the following board members: Chairman ó Mark Doland; Vice chairman ó Henry VanWeelden; Member ó Mike Vander Molen. Also present were Eduardo Zammirra, Jason Madison, CRI: Ginger Allsup, Osky News; Emery Songer, KBOE; Iowa DHS Director Charles Palmer; Julie Jetter, Iowa DHS Community Systems Consultant; Heather Gross, Julie Bak, Mid-Iowa Behavioral Health; State Senator Ken Rozenboom; Sharon Watson and Susan Brown, Mahaska County Auditor.

Chairman Doland opened the meeting at 11:00 a.m. with a moment of silence.

Meeting was filmed by Communications Research Institute of William Penn University.

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

Director Palmer spoke to the board offering any help he or his office can provide to work together and take care of those that will be affected by the possible mental health region changes brought about by not approving the Mid Iowa Behavioral Health Region as of June 30 this year. His office is pleased that the county has extended a Plan B should the appeal be denied and he feels the timeline submitted by the county is satisfactory. His preference is that Mahaska and Marion counties choose what contiguous region they would apply to for membership pending the appeal being denied. A hearing in the appeal is scheduled for August 21, 2015. Director Palmer said that he would work with the county should the appeal go past the deadline of November 1, 2015.

It was moved by VanWeelden to adjourn. Supervisor Vander Molen wanted to be on record in support of working with Marion County as decisions are made for applying to contiguous regions. Vander Molen seconded motion to adjourn. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Susan L. Brown  
Mahaska County Auditor

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Mark Doland  
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors