

December 18, 2017

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 ó Mark Doland; Vice chairman ó Henry VanWeelden; Member ó Mark Groenendyk. Also present were Amanda DeVore, CRI; Angie Holland, Osky Herald; Miranda Keeler, KBOE; Ken Allsup, Osky News; Dave Sedivec, Conservation Director; Russ VanRenterghem, Sheriff; Larry Septer, Jail Administrator; Dave Shanahan, Engineer; Deann DeGroot, MCARD; Heather Gross, CDS; Joe Warrick; Beth Danowsky and Susan Brown, Mahaska County Auditor. This meeting was filmed by Communications Research Institute of William Penn University.

Chairman Doland opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. with a moment of silence.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Groenendyk to approve agenda. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: No Comments

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by VanWeelden to approve minutes from December 4th meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Deann DeGroot presented monthly MCARD report and it was placed on file.

Dave Sedivec, Conservation Dir., gave monthly report and it was placed on file.

The board recognized the results of jail inspection done earlier this year in which the jail was described as a well-managed facility. Chairman read the letter aloud. Administrator and staff were commended for their hard work and a job well done.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Groenendyk to authorize signature on engagement letter with Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, Crueger Dickinson LLC, and von Briesen & Roper, s.c. as Counsel in relation to claims against opioid manufacturers. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by VanWeelden to authorize signature on letter of support for the increase of ICF/ID beds at Diamond Place in Oskaloosa to 12. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Groenendyk to reappoint Peggy Wright to the Mahaska County Conservation Board for a five year term ending December 31, 2022. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Groenendyk to approve twelve month Class C Liquor License for Debbieø Celebration Barn effective January 1, 2018. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by VanWeelden to approve 5,156 homestead tax credit claims (including 27 disabled veterans homestead claims) and 911 military claims for tax credit along with 5,207 family farm applications (not including four disallowances as recommended by assessor) and 11,436 agricultural land applications for fiscal year taxes payable 2018-2019. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Board wanted to give direction to county departments as budgeting begins asking that the budget target be tied to the county-wide valuation increase which is approximately one percent.

It was moved by VanWeelden seconded by Groenendyk to authorize signature on corrected shared salt shed storage agreement with Iowa DOT and City of Oskaloosa. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by VanWeelden to make the following payroll changes as recommended by engineer: Change Zach Neff to Excavator Operator at \$22.10/hr effective December 18, 2017. Correct Andrew Rustø starting salary to \$19.40/hr; starting date was November 21, 2017. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Committee reports: Groenendyk reported Agency on Aging has some new members on board. Doland notified that the South Central Behavioral Health Region board will meet on Wednesday, Dec. 20th. They are discussing a 28E change that would allow member counties to levy separate individual amounts.

Public Comments: None

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

Attest: _____

Susan L. Brown
Mahaska County Auditor

Mark Doland
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors