

May 15, 2023

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 – Mark Groenendyk; Vice chairman – Steve Wanders; and Member – Chuck Webb. Also present were Darin Hite, IT; Tom Flaherty, Economic Director; Connie Van Polen, County Treasurer; Mike Rodwell and Carter Brehm, Secondary Roads; Russ Van Renterghem, County Sheriff; Channing Rucks, Oskaloosa Herald; Deann DeGroot, Oskaloosa Chamber; Judi Hamaker, Heartland Insurance Risk Pool; Mary Griffin and Veronica Koster, Holmes Murphy; Jeff De Rooi, Harold Fynaardt, Helena Hayes, William Hayes, Brian Jacobsen, Jack Rempe, Sandra Rempe, Connie Rempe Blommen, Nick Ryan, Curtis Van Der Hart, Larry Van Maanen, Micah Van Mersbergen, Harold Westercamp and Teri Rogers, County Auditor. This meeting was live streamed by Communications Research Institute of William Penn University.

Chairman Groenendyk opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Public comments:

- ✚ Nick Ryan spoke in opposition to the city's annexation plan
- ✚ Micah Van Mersbergen stood in support of the landowners on the annexation issue

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve minutes of May 1, May 4 and May 8. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve the bills for April in the amount of \$745,110.71. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Webb indicating that the County is not part of the annexation by the city. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Judi Hamaker with Heartland Insurance Risk Pool along with Mary Griffin and Veronica Koster presented a review of the county's insurance renewal documents. The deadline for any changes is May 31st, 2023. This should be placed on the next Board agenda for approval. The next meeting for the Heartland Insurance Risk Pool is Sept. 14, 2023.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve a payroll change for the Sheriff's department. Effective May 14th, 2023, Jailer Jennifer Stoneberg will be promoted to the rank of Senior Jailer with the Mahaska County Sheriff's office. Her annual salary will increase from \$44,271 to \$46,523.50 on that date to reflect this promotion in rank. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve FY 2023 IDOT budget amendment which moved money from one controlling item to another controlling item without changing the bottom line. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mike Rodwell and Carter Brehm presented contract documents for signature for the Contractor's Performance Bond for project number L-2023(03)-73-62, 275th St. PCC Paving. Chair Groenendyk made a motion to accept the bond. The motion was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Deann DeGroot presented an application that was approved by the Revolving Loan Fund board and must now be approved by the Board. This would be a one-time grant in the amount of \$15,000 to encourage restaurant growth in Mahaska County. The available money is the result of two years' worth of interest growth in the Revolving Loan Fund. It was moved by Groenendyk seconded by Wanders to approve the use of the revolving loan fund interest in the structure of a grant. Groenendyk and Wanders voted for while Webb abstained. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to authorize the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for OCIO Enhanced Security Services. This contract expires Feb. 28, 2025. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve the contract renewal / proposal for fiscal years 2023-2025 for Cost Allocation Plans by Cost Advisory Services, Inc. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to fill the County Treasurer vacancy by appointment. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve the 12-month Class E Retail Alcohol License for Highway Liquors and Tobacco. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- ✚ Member Webb reported on Pathfinders. They are working with Conservation regarding funds to expand recreational grounds in the county and buy equipment
- ✚ Vice-Chair Wanders reported on Southern Iowa Mental Health's merger with the SEAL region and 10-15 Transit bills.

Public Comments:

- ✚ County Treasurer approached the Board regarding the status of Fund 16; Emergency Service bond for the radio system.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to adjourn. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Attest: _____
Teri Rogers
Mahaska County Auditor

Mark Groenendyk
Mahaska Co. Board of Supervisors