

**May 20, 2024**

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met 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; Judi Hamaker, Veronica Kurtz, and Bailey Cotter with the Heartland Insurance Risk Pool (HIRP) and Holmes Murphy; Heidi Kuhl, Northland Securities; Chris Clingan, Conservation Director; Carter Brehm and Mike Rodwell, Secondary Roads; Josh Stevens (EMA) and Cheryl Eklofe (911 Center); Troy Bemis, Maintenance Director; Russ Van Renterghem, Sheriff and Teri Rogers, County Auditor.

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: None

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve the minutes of May 6 and May 7. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve the bills for April in the amount of \$741,089.93. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Judi Hamaker with Heartland Insurance Risk Pool (HIRP) presented information on insurance renewal with Veronica Kurtz and Bailey Cotter. The HIRP Board approved a rate study.

After due consideration and discussion, Board Member Webb introduced the resolution and moved to authorize the preliminary official statement for sale of project notes. It was seconded by Wanders to approve the following Resolution regarding the General Obligation Urban Renewal Loan Agreement Series 2024A bond. To adopt the resolution, and the roll being called, the following Supervisors voted:

Roll call vote:

Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Member Webb, Vice-Chair Wanders and Chair Groenendyk \_\_\_\_\_

Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10**

Resolution authorizing the use of a preliminary official statement in connection with the sale of General Obligation Urban Renewal Loan Agreement Anticipation Project Notes, Series 2024A.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (the “Board”) of Mahaska County, Iowa (the “County”), heretofore proposed to enter into a (the “Loan Agreement”) and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$20,000,000 pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 331.441(2)(b)(14),

Section 331.402, Section 331.442, and Chapter 403 of the Code of Iowa, for the purpose of paying costs, to that extent, of carrying out projects in the Prairie Wind Urban Renewal Area consisting of construction, reconstruction and maintenance of County roads and bridges (the “Projects”), and in lieu of calling an election upon such proposal, has published notice of the proposed action and has held a hearing thereon, and as of October 5, 2020, no petition had been filed with the County asking that the question of entering into the Loan Agreement be submitted to the registered voters of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board previously determined to use a portion of the County’s authority under the Loan Agreement to enter into a separate loan agreement (the “2020A Loan Agreement”) and to authorize the issuance of its \$8,940,000 General Obligation Urban Renewal Bonds, Series 2020A, dated November 30, 2020 to fund a portion of the Projects; and

WHEREAS, the County now proposes to use a portion of its remaining borrowing authority under the Loan Agreement to enter into an additional loan agreement (the “2025 Loan Agreement”) and to issue General Obligation Urban Renewal Bonds, Series 2025 (the “2025 Bonds”) for the purpose of funding a portion of the Projects; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 76.13 of the Code of Iowa, the County has authority to issue anticipatory project notes in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the 2025 Loan Agreement (the “2025 Loan Proceeds”); and

WHEREAS, a Preliminary Official Statement (the “P.O.S.”) has been prepared by Dorsey & Whitney LLP (the “Disclosure Counsel”), as bond and disclosure counsel to the County, to facilitate the sale of a General Obligation Urban Renewal Loan Agreement Anticipation Project Notes, Series 2024A (the “Project Notes”) pursuant to the provisions of Section 76.13 of the Code of Iowa, in anticipation of the receipt of and payable from the 2025 Loan Proceeds, and it is now necessary to make provision for the approval of the P.O.S. and to authorize its use by Northland Securities, Inc. (the “Underwriter”), as the underwriter of the issuance of the Project Note;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Mahaska County, Iowa, as follows:

Section 1. The Chairperson and County Auditor are hereby authorized to take such action as shall be deemed necessary and appropriate, with the assistance of Disclosure Counsel and the Underwriter to prepare the P.O.S. describing the Project Notes and providing for the terms and conditions of their sale, and all action heretofore taken in this regard is hereby ratified and approved.

Section 2. The use by the Underwriter of the P.O.S. in substantially the form as has been presented to and considered by the Board of Supervisors is hereby approved, and the Underwriter, together with Disclosure Counsel, is hereby authorized to prepare and use a final Official Statement for the Project Notes substantially in the form of the P.O.S. but with such changes therein as are required to conform the same to the terms of the Project Notes and the resolution, when adopted, providing for the sale and issuance of the Project Notes, and the Chairperson and/or County Auditor are hereby authorized and directed to execute a final Official Statement for the Project Notes, if requested. The P.O.S. as of its date is deemed final by the County within the meaning of Rule 15(c)(2)-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Section 3. Further action with respect to the 2025 Loan Agreement is hereby adjourned to the Board of Supervisors meeting on June 3, 2024.

Section 4. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. This resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval, as provided by law.

Passed and approved May 20, 2024.

Heidi Kuhl with Northland Securities appeared before the Board. The Board reviewed the finance plan for the upcoming 2024A financing. Next steps will be on June 3, 2024.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve two payroll changes for Conservation. Connor Gittings will begin employment on May 20<sup>th</sup> as a seasonal Conservation Technician with an hourly rate of \$14 per hour. Ashley Hunter will be removed from payroll effective May 11<sup>th</sup>. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

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

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve the Class C Retail Alcohol License for Your Private Bar pending completion of dramshop review and submission to the local authority for approval. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve the preliminary and final plat for the Bonnettville Subdivision. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve the preliminary and final plat for the Mily Terrace Subdivision. There is now an access easement that lines up with the current driveway off 235<sup>th</sup> Street. The location where the surveyed parcel in the plat meets the road is right over the crest of a hill. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve the preliminary and final plat for the Huffman Subdivision. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Mahaska County and The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Iowa Council 61. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion with Josh Stevens, Mahaska County EMA regarding updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan took place. With a current hazard mitigation plan in place, an entity can qualify for some federal grant programs through FEMA. Josh has submitted the “notice of interest” and Iowa Homeland Security has indicated that projects should begin later this year.

Discussion with Josh Stevens and Cheryl Eklofe, 911 Director regarding Wapello County's request for Racom service. Wapello County is interested in using the Eddyville tower for emergency communications. If Wapello County can clearly define what they want from us, we will see if we can comply.

Committee Reports:

✚ Mark Groenendyk informed everyone that the Mahaska County Solid Waste Landfill had a meeting last Thursday, but Mark was unable to attend. No update at this time.

Public Comments: None

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

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Teri Rogers  
Mahaska County Auditor

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Mark Groenendyk  
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors