

**December 02, 2024**

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 Danay Garcia, IT: Carter Brehm, Assistant County Engineer; John Bandstra, Robert Van Wheeldon, Patti Sines, Chris Ver Steegh and Kasey Kauffman, Mahaska County Real Estate Deputy.

Chairman Groenendyk opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

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 Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve the payroll changes for the Sheriff's office. Julie Corbett has been hired as a full-time jailer effective Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024. Her annual salary will be \$47,649. Matthew Kapustka has been hired as a full-time deputy effective Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. His annual salary will be \$55,699. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve the 2024 Weed Commissioners annual report. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to appoint Kathy Butler for a four-year term and Joy Prothero for a two-year term to the Compensation Board as advocates for the Supervisors. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to appoint Lori Oaks for the licensed Real Estate category and Mark Mauer for the Banker/Property Appraiser category to the Compensation Commission Board. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board considered the error/oversight of Prairie Township fire levy. The subject was tabled until further information is provided.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to award the contract for project L-2024(01)- - 73-62, HMA Resurfacing with Soil Stabilization on 230<sup>th</sup> St. and Lynn Ave to Norris Asphalt Paving Co., LC after discussing bids from Norris Asphalt Paving Co., LC and Inroads, LLC. Both bids were below the estimated cost for the project with Norris Asphalt Paving Co., LC placing their bid at \$324,054 and Inroads, LLC placing

their bid at \$375,255. The project is estimated to begin in the fall of 2025. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mark Groenendyk discussed ongoing 911 issue stating he had a productive meeting with the Marion County Sheriff in which Mahaska County Sheriff, Russ Van Renterghem, Deputy Ben Johnston and Ronda Almond were also in attendance. They discussed dispatch costs, where the funding originates to cover these costs and concerns of public safety. Groenendyk proposed a possible work session with the city of Oskaloosa to take place this December. It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to place documents on the Mahaska County Courthouse website for convenient public viewing regarding the ongoing EMA or 911 matter. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- ✚ Webb discussed the transition from Sieda to the state program LIHEAP for energy assistance and a possible technology issue with the transfer of documents from Sieda to LIHEAP, causing a delay in reviewing applications.
- ✚ Wanders discussed 1015 Transit lacking staff and resources due to funding, stating there may be fundraisers held to assist them in providing much needed transportation to our veterans.

Public comments: John Bandstra thanked the board for making information more easily accessible to the public.

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

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Kasey Kauffman  
Mahaska Co. Real Estate Deputy

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Mark Groenendyk – Chairman  
Mahaska Co. Board of Supervisors