

The Iowa County Board of Supervisors met February 24, 2017. Chairman Garringer called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Garringer, Huedepohl, Heitshusen, and Gahring were present. Pope was absent.

Motion by Huedepohl, seconded by Gahring to **approve the agenda**. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Huedepohl, seconded by Gahring to **approve the minutes** from February 17, 2017. All aye, motion carried.

Chair Note: Board received manure management plans from Morrow 2 Site, Slaubaugh Site, Black Diamond, and Windy Ridge. Board approved payroll paid with warrant numbers 50308 – 50475.

Motion by Gahring, seconded by Huedepohl to **approve and authorize the chair to sign Resolution 2017-2-24 in opposition of HF 186 regarding allowing a Land Use District to impose Hotel/Motel Tax as follows:**

Resolution # 2017-2-24

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING HF 186

WHEREAS, House file 186 making changes to the Iowa Hotel/Motel tax law has been filed with the Iowa Legislature by Representatives Pettengill, and Maxwell, and

WHEREAS, Said changes add Land Use Districts formed under chapter 303 section IV of the code of Iowa as eligible to impose Hotel/Motel Tax, and

WHEREAS, The Amana Colonies Land Use District is the only land use district in the state and by definition can be the only one in the State of Iowa, and

WHEREAS, Iowa County Iowa and the majority of its citizens are negatively impacted by HF 186 due to loss of valuable Hotel/Motel tax dollars to Iowa County, and

WHEREAS, HF 186 was written and filed without notice to or consultation of the Board of Supervisors of Iowa County, Iowa, the only negatively affected parties to HF 186

NOW THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Iowa County, Iowa as follows:

The Iowa County Board of Supervisors strongly opposes any change to the Iowa Hotel/Motel Tax law as set out in HF 186 that will result in a loss of current Hotel/Motel Tax revenue to the County of Iowa and call upon the Iowa Legislature to reject said House File.

All aye, motion carried.

Nick Amelon, County Engineer met with the board to discuss construction, road maintenance and other miscellaneous items in the secondary road department.

Aaron Sandersfeld, Transportation Director met with the board to update them on his department.

Motion by Gahring, seconded by Heitshusen to **approve the hiring of James Humpton as Transportation Driver effective March 1, 2017 at the rate of \$13.12/hr.** All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Heitshusen, seconded by Huedepohl to **approve the liquor license renewal for PHAT Daddy's, Inc.** All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Heitshusen, seconded by Gahring to **remove Personnel Policy HR010 regarding travel and meal reimbursement from the tabled items.** All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Gahring, seconded by Heitshusen to **take no action at this time on changing of the Personnel Policy HR010 regarding travel and meal reimbursement per advisement of the counties HR attorneys, Ahlers & Cooney, PC.** Huedepohl, Heitshusen, Gahring, aye. Garringer, nay. Motion carried.

No action was taken regarding the appointment of Condemnation Compensation Commission.

No action was taken regarding Pioneer Cemetery Commission vacancies.

Motion by Heitshusen, seconded by Gahring, to **allow Scot Wetjen, Building Maintenance Manager, to drive the employer provided vehicle for daily commuting to and from personal residence to place of employment for a 6-month trial period,** subject to tax if applicable. Scot is to provide information to the contrary to tax. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Gahring, seconded by Heitshusen to **approve the use of the Iowa County credit card** kept in the Auditor's Office to renew Carbonite back up services for Iowa County Ambulance. All aye, motion carried.

No action was taken regarding the offer of a Marengo Memorial Hospital tour, each member of the board will contact the hospital on an individual basis.

Motion by Gahring, seconded by Huedepohl to **approve the Request for Proposals for the English River Watershed Planning Services** to be submitted to East Central Iowa Council of Governments. Huedepohl, Gahring, Garringer, aye. Heitshusen, nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Heitshusen, seconded by Gahring to **adjourn** at 10:59 a.m. All aye, motion carried.

Ray Garringer, Chairman

Jessica Stohlmann, Auditor

*****Minutes are unofficial until approved at next Board Meeting.*****