

Agenda Notice –

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors will meet on
Monday, November 15, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.
in the Third-floor conference room of the
Mahaska County Courthouse, 106 South 1st Street, Oskaloosa, IA.

This meeting may be found at the following live stream link:

https://www.mahaskacounty.org/board_of_supervisors/meetings.php

In addition to this meeting being live-streamed, there will be available an audio-conferencing option for constituents to comment during public comments and any public hearing.

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If you call in and do not wish to speak, please be courteous and mute the microphone on your phone.

1. Approve agenda
2. Public Comments
3. Consider Letter of Intent for county representation and inspection services for the Heartland Greenway System Project
 - * ISG – Tiffany Kruizenga
4. Approve minutes Nov 1
5. Payroll changes:
 - * Sec Rd
6. Consider agreement with consultant for broadband project
7. Approve Resolution #24
 - * Resolution of Support for Fiber Optic Broadband Network Expansion
8. Approve 2021 Weed Commissioner's Report
9. Consider Engber's Acres Preliminary and Final Plat
10. Approve 2nd tier canvass – Regular City/School Election 11/02/21
11. Supervisor appointments to Mahaska County Compensation Board
12. Appoint members to the Mahaska County Solid Waste Commission
13. Action on request for recount in Mahaska County filed by Tony Bokhoven for office of Pella City Council At Large
14. Public Comments
15. Committee Reports

November 1, 2021

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 Joe Lancello, KBOE/KMZN Radio; Darin Hite, IT; Tom Flaherty, Economic Development Director; Andrew Ritland, Co Attorney; Diane Crookham, Recorder; Steve Burnett and Frank Hansen, MCG and Susan Brown, Mahaska County Auditor. This meeting was live streamed by Communications Research Institute of William Penn University. Meeting opened with a moment of silence.

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

Public Comments: None

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve the minutes of October 18. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve the bills for the month of October in total \$1,342,487.96. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve the following payroll changes: removal of Zac Neff from Secondary Road department payroll as of November 4, 2021; add Doug McMillan as part time employee at Secondary Road effective October 25, 2021 at hourly rate of \$16.00; change job classification to Motor Grader Operator for Andrew Padgett effective November 8, 2021 and Shawn Ridenour effective November 2, 2021 at hourly rate of \$24.25; add as full time jailer Khandi Tucker effective November 9, 2021 and William Kutcher effective October 22, 2021 at \$35,000/year with six month probationary period at \$34,500; add as part time jailer Brennen Shull effective October 25, 2021 at \$15.00/hr; change in wage for part time clerk Cynthia Briggs in Recorders office to \$14.00/hr. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve signature on Amended and Substituted County Electronic Services System 28E Agreement from Iowa County Recorders Association. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion held with Tom Flaherty, Econ Director; Steve Burnett and Frank Hansen of MCG regarding broadband needs and opportunities county-wide. It is estimated at \$12.1 million to build out new fiber network. There is a November 22, 2021 deadline for applying for state grant monies which makes for a timing challenge. Potential for use of ARP funds the county is receiving and possible federal grants. Sequence of events would include review by state auditor as to the project being within the spirit of the ARP law, securing a consultant and issuing an RFP for the project(s).

Public comments: None

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

Attest: _____
Susan L. Brown
Mahaska County Auditor

Steve Wanders – Vice Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

MAHASKA COUNTY



2021 WEED COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

For the County of: Mahaska

Submit to County Board of Supervisors by: November 1, 2021
 Return copy to the IDALS office by: December 1, 2021

Weed Commissioner's Contact Information:

Name Ben Hoskinson	Year Appointed 2005
Address 2166 Forrest Ave	Telephone 641-672-2897
City, Zip Code Oskaloosa, 52577	Alternate Telephone
Email Address hoskinson@mahaskacountyia.gov	Pesticide Certificate # 23857

Which of the noxious weeds have you found in your county?

- 1 - Found, a problem in my county
- 2 - Found, but not a problem

- 3 - Not known in my county
- ? - If you cannot identify this plant

<i>Primary Noxious Weeds</i>	<i>Answer</i>	<i>Secondary Noxious Weeds</i>	<i>Answer</i>
Buckthorn	2	Buckhorn Plantain	2
Bull Thistle	1	Cocklebur	1
Canada Thistle	1	Curly Dock (Sour Dock)	2
Field Bindweed	1	Multiflora Rose	1
Hoary Cress (Perennial Pepper-grass)	2	Poison Hemlock	1
Horse Nettle	2	Puncturevine	2
Leafy Spurge	3	Red Sorrel (Sheep sorrel)	2
Musk Thistle	1	Shattercane	2
Palmer Amaranth	3	Smooth Dock	2
Perennial Sow Thistle	1	Teasel	1
Quackgrass	2	Velvetleaf (Butterprint)	1
Russian Knapweed	3	Wild Carrot	1
		Wild Mustard	1
		Wild Sunflower	1

<i>Invasive Prohibited Plants</i>	Answer		
Garlic Mustard	1		
Japanese Hop	1		
Japanese Knotweed	1		
Oriental Bittersweet	1		
Purple Loosestrife	2		

Please list any other plants which are a problem or a concern in your county:

As County Weed Commissioner, do your duties include roadside spraying?

Yes No

Did your county publish a Notice of Program for weed control pursuant to the provisions of Title VIII Chapter 317 Section 317.14?

Yes No

Did your county employ contract spraying during 2021?

Yes No

If yes, what percentage of your total spray program is contracted? _____%

If possible, please list the contract rates. \$/mile _____

Total contract cost \$ _____

In the past year how much did your county spend on purchasing herbicides?

\$ 17,500

How many times during 2021 was it necessary to serve a noxious weed notice?

Private (written) 0 Public (written) (DOT, DNR, CCB) 0

How many times did you contact individuals personally, rather than sending them a weed control notice?

Private (verbal) 2 Public (verbal) (DOT, DNR, CCB) 1

How many times did you actually enter private or public land, control weeds, and assess the cost to the owner?

0

How many months were you employed as weed commissioner in 2021?

12 months

Are your duties as weed commissioner incorporated into another county job?

Yes No If Yes, what? Roadside Manager

Weed Comm. Duties 5% IRVM Duties 95%

Other County Duties _____%

How does the overall county weed situation compare with last year?

Improved Unchanged Worse

Comments? _____

Is brush control included in your weed commissioner duties?

Yes No

If yes, what method(s) do you use? *(Circle all that apply):*

Spraying Cutting Stump treatment Basal bark

Other, explain Forestry Mower on Excavator

What are your suggestions and/or recommendations which may improve your county weed and brush infestations?

Keep spraying small brush, cutting with crews in the winter, and running the forestry mower

What herbicides did your county use in your weed control program? Be specific, please list brand name and quantity of each. Please do not list surfactants or adjuvants. If the spray program is contracted in your county, ask your contractor for this information. Add another page if necessary.

Herbicide usage table:

CHEMICAL/BRAND	RATE USED	QUANTITY USED	TO CONTROL?
<i>(Example)</i> Milestone	4 fluid ounces per acre	3.32 gallons	Thistle and teasel on roadside
Opensight Vastlan Escort	3.3 oz/acre 51 oz/acre 1/2 oz/acre	45 lbs 84 gal 36 oz	Brush/weeds mix
Telar Method Makaze	1.75 oz/acre 16 oz/ acre 2 qts/ acre	14 oz 1 gal 4.25	Bareground mix
Frequency	7 oz/ acre	2 quarts	Bareground mix
Pathway	spot	8.75	cut stump
Tahoe 4E Stalker	25% w/basal oil 3% w/basal oil	4.75 1 gal	stump/basal mix

The above report is true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____
County Weed Commissioner

Date

Signature _____
Chairman, County Board of Supervisors

Date

Please return a copy to:

Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship
Attn: State Weed Commissioner
2230 S Ankeny Blvd
Ankeny, IA 50023-9093