

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, October 14, 2008

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Lee Boerjan and Warren Haacke (Media). Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to include letter of support and discuss tax increment financing and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Alex Kuhn who is the Regional Coordinator of United Way made a presentation of the United Way programs in Mitchell County. Alex made a request to do a presentation with the Mitchell County employees. Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve the request that all employees attend one of the presentations. Date and times will be coordinated with the Auditor and Alex. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Sheriff Curt Younker reviewed the Sheriff's report for September. After discussion, motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve the report in the amount of \$33,154.72. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Marreel, second by Voaklander to approve the minutes of the October 7th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to reappoint Doug Krabbe to a five year term on the Board of Adjustment. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve the Auditor's quarterly report in the amount of \$538.00. Roll call vote: all ayes.

After discussion, motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve an abatement of taxes for the 360 Network in the amount of \$2,312.00. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the Heartland Insurance meeting, Marreel reported on the NCRERC and NIVC meetings and Walk reported on the water school, Alliant Energy conference and the Mental Health meeting. Received manure management plan updates from Jonas Z. Leid, Merten Farms and Hufco LLC-Mosher Ridge.

County Engineer Jim Hyde reported that Meek Construction was the low bidder to install the rail cars. The winter salt supply is in and Roads department is patching blacktops. Discussed stop signs at the railroad crossings in the City of Carpenter. It was determined that the County doesn't control the signage only the twenty-four feet of roadway. Consensus for the Roads department to put up the stop signs if the City of Carpenter approves a resolution for them.

After discussion, motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve the Chair signing a letter of support for a Wellness/Harkin Grant to help increase Mental Health services in Mitchell County. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Discussed with County Attorney Mark Walk tax increment financing (TIF) and legal descriptions for the wind turbines. The GIS department will be working on the legal descriptions. Also discussed the CAT Grant for the Wapsi Great Western Bike Trail. Present were Mitchell County Conservation Director Milt Owen and Elaine Govern. Reviewed the forty-five day deadline for signing the CAT Grant and the 28E Agreement. County Attorney stated that the 28E Agreement won't get signed in that time frame due to all of the entities that are involved in the project. The County Attorney will review the CAT Grant one more time.

P&Z Director Mark Ross gave an update on a junk yard at Mona. Mark stated that the junk yard is in violation of the County junk ordinance. County Attorney will review the situation and the junk ordinance.

Discussed the status of septic systems yet to be completed in the City of McIntire. Present were Mayor Ron Richardson and Councilman Richard Huddleston. Two septic systems are to be completed this fall and one is at a stalemate. After discussing options, motion by Walk, second by Marreel to authorize the County Attorney to proceed with legal measures to resolve the issue in McIntire. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Regular meeting recessed at 10:38 a.m. At 10:50 a.m. the Joint Chickasaw/Mitchell County 28E Board convened via conference call. Present at Chickasaw County were Sherry Mattke, Virgil Pickar, John Huegel, Arnie Boge and Auditor Judy Babcock. Present at Mitchell County was Case Management Director Sheila Kobliska. Shelia reviewed findings of audit performed for the department. Discussed having an annual audit performed. Motion by Huegel, second by Walk to have an audit done annually for the joint 28E agency. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Discussed liability coverage for the agency. Both counties have different levels of liability coverage. Consensus is to be adequately insured. Heartland Insurance Trustees Voaklander and Huegel will take this up with the Heartland Insurance Risk Pool and report back.

Discussed a new member to the TCM Advisory Board. Motion by Marreel, second by Huegel to appoint Michele Wagner to the Board. Roll call vote: all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Regular meeting reconvened and after brief discussion the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors