

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, September 8, 2009

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:35 a.m. with all members present. Also present was Michelle Haacke (Media). Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Sheriff Curt Younker reviewed the Sheriff report for August. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the report in the amount of \$32,372.45. Roll call vote: all ayes. The Sheriff presented a report on the K-9 dog's activities. The Board expressed concerns on the aggressiveness of the dog toward other dogs, liability and the fact that originally the Board wasn't asked about purchasing the dog. It was recommended that when the dog is out with the public it should be muzzled and on a leash. The Sheriff stated that the dog's kennel is now locked at all times.

Discussed with County Attorney Mark Walk a proposed ordinance pertaining to protecting Mitchell County hard surfaced roads. A public hearing is scheduled for 8:45 a.m. on September 22nd to consider the ordinance. Also discussed the bridge that collapsed over Otter Creek.

East Lincoln Township Trustees Richard Wright, Ron Douglas and Dick Meirick discussed procedure for purchasing a fire truck for the Riceville Fire Department and for the signature on the loan papers. After discussion, motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to authorize the East Lincoln Township Trustees to sign the note to purchase the township's portion of the fire truck and to levy a tax to make the payments. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the claims. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the September 1st meeting with changes. Roll call vote: All ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve Suspension of taxes #263 in the amount of \$1,078.00, Suspension #264 in the amount of \$244.00, abatement of taxes for County Conservation property's #265, #266, #267, #268, #269, #270 and #271 in the amounts of \$180, \$56.00, \$110.00, \$34.00, \$18.00, \$8.00 and \$138.00. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Discussed with County Engineer Jim Hyde and Assistant Engineer Rich Brumm the bridge that collapsed over Otter Creek. Jim reported that he has ordered four rail cars for the bridge. Reviewed quotes for a 2010 pickup truck. After discussion, motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to purchase a 2010 Ford 150 ½ ton pickup from Leading Edge Ford in the amount of \$24,299. Roll call vote: all ayes. Dave Randall, Sr. of Randall Construction discussed repairs to the floor of the Engineer's office building. It is felt that the building is worth fixing. Dave will prepare an estimate of cost for the

repairs. Discussed repaving Monument Avenue north of Stacyville during this fiscal year. It was reported that there are wheel ruts and hydroplaning is occurring. Jim stated that he would have to amend the Roads budget and program. Consensus to do the project.

Regular meeting recessed at 11:00 a.m.

The Joint Chickasaw-Mitchell TCM 28E Board convened via a conference call. Present at Chickasaw County were Supervisors: John Andersen, Arnie Boge, Rick Holthaus, Virgil Pickar, Sherry Mattke and Auditor Joan Knoll. Present at Mitchell was TCM Director Sheila Kobliska. Sheila made a request for two lap top computers for staff use. The present lap top computers are approximately eight years old and have been not working properly. Quotes were received from Radio Shack and Virtual Qwest. Low quote was from Virtual Qwest. After discussion, motion by Voaklander, second by Boge to approve purchasing the two lap top computers and additional software from Virtual Qwest in the amount of \$1,573.00. Roll call vote: all ayes. Motion by Voaklander, second by Holthaus to adjourn the meeting at 11:23 a.m. All voted aye.

The regular meeting reconvened at 11:23 a.m.

Items of note: Walk reported on the TIF meeting that he and Brenda Dryer attended, Voaklander reported on the Landfill meeting and the Latham forum and Marreel reported on the NIVC picnic. Received the August Clerk of Court report in the amount of \$1,404.96. Received manure management plan updates from Merten Farms and D & J Farms. Effective September 3, 2009, Annamaria C. Wilder, R.N., has been hired as PRN staff nurse. Her starting wage is \$18.40 per hour.

Deputy Auditor Barb Baldwin gave an update on FY 2010 County budget. At this time the General Basic Fund looks fine.

Meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Bob Marreel – Chair Board of Supervisors