

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, April 19, 2011

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present was Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to delete discussion on phone system and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Economic Development Director Brenda Dryer reviewed an IDED application. Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to authorize the Chair to sign Resolution #803-11 sponsorship for applications to the Iowa Department of Economic Development on behalf of Valent BioSciences Corporation. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Mitchell County Agricultural Extension Regional Director Gary Hall, Extension Council members Shawn Sponheim, Josh Olson, Cindy Hemann, Gregg Maakestad, Steve Rachut and office manager Darla Olson were present to discuss the current building loan for the ISU Extension office building. The current balance of the loan is \$63,527.69 and the current interest rate is 5.25%. Steve reviewed a proposal where the Ag Extension District would pay \$7,500 on the principal. The BOS are being requested to use county funds to close out the mortgage of \$56,027.63. The Extension District would repay the remaining loan over 10 years with an interest rate of 2.5% or less if approved by the Supervisors. Monthly payments would be approximately \$528.17. After conferring with County Treasurer Pam Meyer regarding available funds, motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve the request to pay off the loan of \$56,027.63 and to set a interest rate of 2.5%. The County Attorney will draw up the amortization schedule. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Attorney Mark Walk discussed a mental health commitment for a Mitchell County resident. The resident is considered an immediate risk to others. The County Attorney's office will be filing the commitment with the Court.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reported on the Addison Avenue paving project. Howard County has held their pre-con meeting. The project will commence on April 25th with an anticipated completion date around Memorial Day. Rich stated that he has been in contact with the City of Carpenter regarding a drainage issue inside the city limits. The City is looking into the drainage issue. A widening of a driveway at the FMC Landfill was discussed. No action was taken.

Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve placing \$5,000 in the Land Acquisition and Capitol Improvement Fund from the Hanson Foundation Grant for playground equipment in County parks. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve the minutes of the April 12th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

In the next couple of weeks the Board will be establishing a committee to review the County redistricting plan.

At 9:30 a.m. the regular meeting recessed and the 28E Chickasaw/Mitchell Targeted Case Management Board convened via a conference call. Present at Chickasaw County were Supervisors John Andersen, Jason Byrne, Rick Holthaus, Virgil Pickar, Tim Zoll, Auditor Joan Knoll and Case Management Director Sheila Kobiliska.

Review of the projected cost report was postponed. Sheila reviewed the budget amendment. After discussion, motion by Walk, second by Holthaus to approve the budget amendment. Roll call vote: All ayes. The financial report was discussed. There being no further business, motion by Marreel, second by Byrne to adjourn. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Regular meeting reconvened at 9:45 a.m.

Items of note: Marreel reported on the NCRERC meeting, Walk reported on the T-21 and St. Ansgar Community Commerce meetings and Voaklander reported on the FMC Landfill meeting. Received the North Iowa Council of Governments Financial Report for the year ended. June 30, 2010. Effective April 1, 2011, Mavis Hanson's status changed to PT-10 at the County Care Facility. Received manure management plan updates from Ruehlow 1, 2, 3 LLC.

A letter from Dr. Ross requesting that Ken Parcher be appointed as a Medical Examiner Investigator for Mitchell County was discussed. Ken stated he would attend a 40 hour death investigator class prior to being appointed. Ken would report directly to Dr. Ross. Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to appoint Ken Parcher as Medical Examiner Investigator pending completion of the course. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Penney Morse updated the Board on current activities of the Mitchell County Historical Preservation Commission. The David sign dedication is scheduled for June 5th.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors