

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, August 23, 2011

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Charlie Pajer, Betty McCarthy, Lindsey Falk and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk reported on the upcoming steel wheel court case. A possible appointment to the Board of Adjustment was discussed.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve the minutes of the August 16th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

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

Mary Dunea gave an update of upcoming events that the Mitchell County Historical Preservation Commission will be taking part in. There will be a fall bus tour of historic sites in the County. Mary stated that the commission would like to add two more members to their roster. Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve the addition of Wendy Heuton and Joshua Randall to the Commission. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reported that the deck has been poured for the Stillwater Bridge. The paving of Broad Street in Stacyville will start this week. The Roads department is patching roads. Drainage issues thru New Haven were discussed. County Engineer will look into this further.

Mitchell County Economic Development Director Brenda Dryer reviewed a spec building project in the Industrial Park in St. Ansgar. The building for now will be 100 ft. by 200 ft. but could be expanded up to 40,000 sq. ft. No cost figures have been worked out. Brenda is writing a business plan. A memorandum of understanding for the Valent project was discussed.

Items of note: Walk reported on the Governor's transportation 2011 meeting, Marreel reported on the Wellness Committee, FMC DECAT Governance and the FMC-Early Childhood Iowa meetings and Voaklander reported on the Workforce Development and Economic Development meetings. Manure management plan updates were received from Peter Nolt, Peter Nolt Site 1, Maple Lawn Pork, LLC and T.C. Pork II, Inc. The FY 2011 Mitchell County Agricultural Extension Financial Report was received.

To be noted that 2 million dollars is to be transferred to the Secondary Roads Fund from the Capital Projects Fund.

Jeff Heil, Vice President of Northland Securities, reviewed the use of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) funds. Present were Deputy Auditor Barb Baldwin and Assessor Dean Pohren. The BOS is considering using TIF funds to assist with expenses associated with the pre-treatment plant for the Valent Bio-Sciences project. Mr. Heil recommended the Board have Bond Counsel prepare a reimbursement resolution before proceeding with financing. Also, discussed whether TIF

funds could be used for public use buildings such as the Courthouse.
Meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors