

## **PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA**

Tuesday, September 11, 2012

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Penney Morse, Janeal Dunn, Lanny Hepner, Betty McCarthy, Mary Dunea, Jerry Halverson, Don Hendrickson, Sandra Heckstein, Pam Meyer and Jim Cross (Press News). Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk stated that he had reviewed the contract for North Iowa Inspections and recommended its approval. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the North Iowa Inspections contract. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Tom Madden of Yaggy Colby Associates gave a project update and reviewed a change order in the amount of \$25,717.49 for extra site work done by Popp Excavating. Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve the change order. Roll call vote: all ayes. Tom reviewed a utility accommodation for a water main at the Valent plant site. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the utility accommodation. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Mitchell County Hospital Administrator Kevin Runolfson gave an update on activities with the hospital. A new Doctor and a Chief Financial Officer are being recruited. Pat Rourick has resigned his position as a Hospital Trustee and Jon Koster has been appointed to fill that position thru the end of 2012.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reviewed the Hwy. 218 approaches agreement. Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to authorize the Chair to sign the Iowa Department of Transportation Preconstruction Agreement for the approaches. Roll call vote: all ayes. After discussion, motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve Resolution #845-12 establishing a 25 mph speed limit and erecting the speed limit signs on Echo Avenue and 500<sup>th</sup> Street at Mona. Roll call vote: all ayes. Roads department is doing routine maintenance.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve abatement #285 of the 2009-2010 taxes of Shanah Hackensmith-Habitat for Humanity in the amount of \$1,147.50 on account of a tax certificate and abatement #286 and #287 in the amounts of \$336.00 and \$412.00 on account of County owned property. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve the minutes of the September 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the Heartland Insurance Risk Pool Employment seminar, Walk reported on the NIACOG meeting and Marreel reported on the Wellness, Board of Health and the FMC-ECI meetings. The August Clerk of Court report was received in the amount of \$2,414.36.

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

Meeting recessed at 9:37 a.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

MSA Professional Services Community Development Specialist Susan Judkins reviewed the Upper Cedar Watershed Management Authority. Also present were Casey and Penney Morse, Wayne Fredericks, Karen Damjanovic, Mark Walk, Rich Brumm and Jim Cross. Susan stated that there are 23 entities participating. Mitchell County has not joined previously due to concerns regarding liability. Changes to the by-laws are being reviewed. Susan explained that there are grants available. Floyd County is the lead county for the financing and is applying for a grant. Mitchell County is at the top of the watershed and Susan is encouraging Mitchell County to reconsider and join the watershed authority. This will be considered at the September 18<sup>th</sup> BOS meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Bob Marreel – Chair Board of Supervisors