

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, March 25, 2014

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Tom Martin, Randy Conrad, Mary Jo Burkgren and Deb Nicklay (Press News). Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Sheriff Greg Beaver gave a department update.

Tom Madden of Yaggy Colby & Associates stated that the cold weather has hampered the progress of the VBC project. Tom reviewed a change order for the pretreatment plant. Motion by Walk, second by Paulus to approve Henkel change order #5 in the amount of \$12,164.50. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Rich Brumm stated that he had made a decision to hire Melissa Tusler to take the place of Claudia Lacour who will be retiring in June. Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to approve hiring Melissa Tusler as a new office assistant for the Mitchell County Highway Department. Her date of hire is April 1, 2014 and her starting wage is \$16.00 per hour. Roll call vote: all ayes. Motor graders were discussed. Mitchell and Worth are demoing two graders. Discussed the rock run for this summer. Rich is considering doing less miles this year but putting more rock on the roads. Roads department is opening road culverts.

Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the March 18th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

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

Motion by Walk, second by Paulus to approve authorizing FEH Associates to prepare and send out a request for proposals for the required special inspections and testing for the new Mitchell County Courthouse. The RFP's will be received after the bids are received for the General Contractor and before the award of contract. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Paulus attended Iowa Pipeline training, storm spotter training, FMC DECAT Governance and the Sister City meetings. Walk and Paulus attended the Absolute Energy annual meeting and Stan attended a gas line meeting. Voaklander attended the Economic Development, Heartland Insurance Rick Pool and Prairie Ridge meetings. The Prairie Ridge Addiction Treatment Services annual audit for the year ended June 30, 2013 was received. Manure management plan updates were received from Buck, Fitzmaurice/Tip 5 Finisher Farm, Garden, Gieger Sow Farm Sow/litter, Halvorson Finisher Farm, Hemann West Finisher Farm and Ruehlow 2 LLC.

Supervisor Walk left at 9:34 to attend another meeting.

Judy Champion of the Osage Sister City organization reported that the organization is hosting five health care professionals from Russia May 23rd thru the 31st. They are looking for families to host the visitors.

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors