

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, May 19, 2015

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer and Deb Nicklay (Media). Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to include 1899 map and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Discussed with County Attorney Mark Walk port authorities. Supervisor Walk is interested in establishing a port authority with Worth County in an attempt to promote more natural gas being available for both counties. County Attorney Walk will research the legalities of what is involved in setting up a port authority.

Discussed a letter from the Iowa Drainage District Association, Buena Vista, Calhoun and Sac County's regarding funding a legal defense for a lawsuit between the Des Moines Waterworks and the three county boards of supervisors. This will be placed on the May 26th agenda for possible action.

At 9:00 a.m. the Chair opened the public hearing to amend the FY 15 Mitchell County budget. Deputy Auditor Barb Baldwin gave an explanation on the reasons to amend the budget. The Chair asked if there were any oral or written comments received prior to the hearing. None were received. There were no comments from the public in attendance so the hearing was closed at 9:02 a.m.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve Budget Appropriations Resolution #941-15. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Tom Madden reported that the Valent project is in clean up mode.

Sheriff Greg Beaver presented the April Sheriff report. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the report in the amount of \$5,557.75. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Brumm reported that the roads department is working on the gravel roads. The Lime Kiln project is done. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve Resolution #942-15 closing a roadway for the Stacyville to McIntire road project. Roll call vote: all ayes. Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve Highway Bridge Projects Program BROS-C066 (61) - - 8J-66 for box culverts. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve a request from the Osage Chamber of Commerce to approve a detour route using T42 for the July 4th Osage Parade. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Conservation Director Adam Shirley gave a department update. CRP planting is being done, parks are now open and the dam is running well. Discussed borrowing money for park upgrades and can money redemption.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve placing \$7,556.04 in the Land Acquisition and Capitol Improvement Fund. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Judy Funk presented the Heartland Insurance annual renewal. Mitchell County will be receiving a \$24,619.00

premium credit for FY 16. The total premium is \$264,146.00 for next year. This is down 4.5%. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to authorize the Chair to sign the form to bind coverage for FY 16. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Max Elg of Solutions Inc. presented a program about what services Solutions provides for the county and a new program called Managed Services. BOS will take this under consideration. Also discussed information technology (IT) services.

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

Assessor Amy Folkerts reviewed a business property tax credit claim from the Mitchell County Farm Bureau. It is recommended that the claim be disallowed because the property is now exempt and not eligible for the credit. Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the letter and to send the notice to the Farm Bureau. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the FMC Landfill and Juvenile Detention meetings and Walk on the Conservation meeting. Received the April Clerk of Court report in the amount of \$2,804.07.

Discussed a plaque from the Osage Masonic Lodge for the courthouse. Also a lunch for the grand opening prepared by the Mitchell County Cattleman. Henkel Construction and FEH Associates will be asked if they would be willing to share in the expense of the lunch. The Osage Ministerial Association is being asked to participate.

Recorder Pat Skuster reported on preserving an 1899 Mitchell County plat map. She has received a quote of \$1,000.00 to have it framed. Pat will gather more information before proceeding.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Shannon Paulus – Chair Board of Supervisors