

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, June 23, 2015

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Joe Marzen, Larry Klemesrud, Gary Kuper, Gloria Brincks, Mark Ross and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Discussed with County Attorney Mark Walk a county weed control issue on 240 acres of land at the intersection of highways 9 and 218. County Weed Commissioner Joe Marzen stated that he has observed a few thistles on the property but most of the weeds are ragweed. It was stated that this is an eye sore for the community. The land is being rented by a farmer who lives outside of the county. The land has not been planted for this season. County Attorney will attempt to contact the farmer. He has five days to respond. County Engineer has contacted the sponsor of the proposed ATV/UTV ride thru the County. County Attorney stated that the County has to apply to the DOT for permission for this ride to take place. Discussed fireworks permits. County Attorney is drafting a new form for issuing fireworks permits.

Tom Madden stated that seeding is being done at the wastewater plant for the VBC project.

Tom Madden reviewed an estimate from Adams Plumbing for discharging water at the County Care Facility. After discussion, motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to authorize Adams Plumbing to perform the work for \$12,170.00. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Jerry Pilgrim presented two paintings that he had painted. The paintings are from an anonymous donor. One will be displayed in the Courthouse hallway and one in the Veteran's Affairs office. Veteran's Affairs Director accepted the paintings from Jerry and Kari Pilgrim.

Sheriff Greg Beaver stated his department has purchased a new Chevy Tahoe truck.

County Engineer Brumm reported that the rock run is on hold. Rich and Supervisor Walk attended a meeting with the Lyle Township Board regarding maintenance of two miles of the State Line Road west of the Absolute Energy plant. The Stacyville/McIntire paving project has been delayed until July 8th.

Conservation Director Adam Shirley reported that a section of the Wapsi Bike Trail paving was washed out on Monday. Discussed options for fixing the trail. The Halvorson, Otranto and Stacyville parks were closed due to the flooding. Electricity generation was up at the Mitchell Dam during May.

Dennis Riley interviewed for a Board position on the Conservation Board. John Hartogh's term expires June 30th. Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to appoint Dennis to a 5 year term. Roll call vote: all ayes.

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

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

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the FY 16 Rural Library Contract. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve fireworks permits to John W. Duryee for the evenings of July 3rd & 4th and to Don Thorson for the evening of July 4th. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Walk reported on the Upper Cedar Watershed meeting and a meeting with the Lyle Township Board and the Heartland Power Solar dedication. Voaklander reported on giving the Ukrainian's a tour of the Landfill and Paulus on her time spent with the Ukrainian delegation. Received manure management plan updates from Kiss/Tip 13 Finisher Farm, Jenkins North & South Finisher Farms, Liberty East, West & South Finisher Farms, Johnson/Tip 6 Nursery Unit, Baarsch Farms Junction North and Mark Patterson.

Meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Shannon Paulus – Chair Board of Supervisors