

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

Tuesday, September 15, 2015

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to delete Conservation update and to include art work and display policy and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk stated that the Koenigs tree issue has been settled. Discussed the title to the Oak Grove Cemetery at Mitchell. The title is not in Mitchell County's name. Mark will do more research. Also discussed the Duane Tesch property in Toeterville. There may be vehicles on the property that are unlicensed. Discussed the placement of security cameras in the Treasurer's office.

Tom Madden reviewed the final Wapasha Construction pay request for the Valent project. Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve the request in the amount of \$251,080.89. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Sheriff Greg Beaver gave a department update.

Bids were opened for the sale of a sheriff department car and a Conservation pick up. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the bid from Bob Koenigs for the sheriff car in the amount of \$650.00 and the bid from Scott Moen for the conservation pickup in the amount of \$776.00. Roll call vote: all ayes.

At 9:00 a.m. the Chair opened the public hearing on the plans and specs for the St. Ansgar shop building. County Engineer Rich Brumm stated that the proposed building is 100 foot long by 80 foot wide. He estimated the cost to be \$317,000. The Chair asked if there were any oral or written comments received prior to the hearing. None had been received. There were no comments from the public in attendance. Hearing was closed at 9:02 a.m.

County Engineer Brumm opened the bids for the shop building. Three bids were received. After discussion of the bids, motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to reject the bids due to the bids being higher than the estimate. Roll call vote: all ayes. Rich will contact the bidders.

County Engineer reported that FEMA officials are coming today and WHKS is coming to inspect the Mitchell Cedar River Bridge.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve placing \$1,623.65 in the Conservation Land Acquisition & Capital Improvement Fund. \$48.65 from theft at Hamlin Garland, \$75.00 from James Koster for CRP mowing and \$500.00 from Fred Elwood, Dan Blake and Jerome Koenigs for DA cabin renovation. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve the minutes of the September 8th and 11th meetings. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the Heartland Insurance Employment Practices seminar and the VBC odor control meeting. Walk reported on the conservation and NIACOG meetings. Paulus reported on the Courthouse security

and FMC-ECI meetings. Received the August Clerk of Court report in the amount of \$1,926.08. The Courthouse grand opening has been rescheduled for October 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. A silent auction of not needed courthouse items will be held the week of September 21st.

Discussed allowing local artists to display their art work in the courthouse. Supervisor Paulus will post a memo regarding this.

Discussed establishing a policy for displaying signs on the walls and woodwork in the courthouse. Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to establish the policy and have our courthouse maintenance Dave Hartogh be designated to hang items in the building. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Shannon Paulus – Chair Board of Supervisors