

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, October 13, 2015

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Jerry Dunlay and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to include burn ban notice and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Discussed with County Attorney Mark Walk and GIS Director Barb Baldwin a request from Rick Thurnau to purchase right-of-way in the Village of Otranto. This matter was questioned if it is county property. Consensus is this is not the County's issue and an abstract company should be consulted.

Tom Madden gave a VBC project update. The first amendment to the Industrial Sewage Pretreatment Agreement, consideration of the Consumer Price Index with the City of Osage and a Resolution for accepting work for wastewater treatment facility improvements were all tabled.

Sheriff Greg Beaver gave a department update. Discussed a purchase of an iPad for \$279.99 to be used for the marijuana town hall meeting. This will be paid from the Drug Forfeiture Fund.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reviewed an Iowa DOT preconstruction agreement for paving intersections along Hwy 218 starting north of St. Ansgar to the MN State Line. Cost of the work will be \$46,890.00. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to authorize the Chair to sign the agreement. Roll call vote: all ayes. Discussed bidding diesel fuel for the winter season.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve the minutes of the October 6th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

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

Bids were opened for the metal cabinets left over from the old courthouse. Two bids were received. Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to accept the high bids received from Tedd Maakestad and Dan Swan for the items that they bid on. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on attending Magistrate Court for the steel wheel violation. Walk reported on the NIACOG meeting and Paulus reported on the Riceville City Council meeting. Received manure management plan updates from Fred Koschmeder and Jonas Z. Leid. Received the September Clerk of Court report in the amount of \$2,955.74.

A burn ban notice was declared by Mitchell County EMA Director Ray Huftalin on October 12th at 3:30 p.m. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the burn ban notice until the Chair deems fit to change the notice. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve the revised Mitchell County Burial Policy. The approved cost for

opening and closing the graves is increased to \$500.00. Roll call vote: all ayes. Tabled an update for the Mental Health Advocate.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Shannon Paulus – Chair Board of Supervisors