

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, March 22, 2016

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Jerry Dunlay, KIMT Channel 3 and Chrystal Berche (Media). Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

At 8:32 a.m. the Chair opened the public hearing for the plans and specs for the Industrial Pretreatment Odor Control Project. Tom Madden gave an overview of the project. There were no oral or written comments received prior to the hearing or during the hearing. Public hearing was closed at 8:33 a.m.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve Resolution #960-16 awarding the construction contract for the Odor Control Project to Blazek Corporation for the base bid of \$597,000 and the alternate bid of \$2,400 for a total of \$599,400. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Alexander Schmidt read a letter of concern regarding his extreme dissatisfaction over the Board's recent decision to erect a sign on Hwy105 just outside of St. Ansgar that warns of "Suicidal Deer". A note from Elizabeth Weaverling stating that she is against the new deer sign was presented. Motion by Paulus to remove the deer sign and put up a more appropriate sign. Motion died for a lack of a second.

Discussed TIF Zones with County Attorney Mark Walk.

Sheriff Greg Beaver presented the February Sheriff report. Motion by Paulus, second by Voaklander to approve the report in the amount of \$4,580.19. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Brumm discussed the RISE Road Project.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve the minutes of the March 15th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

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

Planning & Zoning Director Mark Ross requested a waiver for an extension to the Kuper hog confinement expansion. DNR requires a 100 foot set back from the road. Mitchell County requires a 60 foot set back. Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve the waiver of the 60 foot set back. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the FMC Landfill meeting, Paulus reported on the Sister City meeting and Walk reported on the Upper Cedar Watershed and housing meetings. Received manure management plan updates from Fitzmaurice Finisher Farm, Geiger Sow/litter, Halvorson Finisher Farm, HUFCA – Evanson, and Schroeder Hog Farm LLC.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve reappointing Walk to the Upper Cedar Watershed Management Improvement Authority Board of Directors and Paulus as the alternate. This is for a four year term. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Supervisor Walk gave a report on a proposed natural gas line thru Mitchell County.

Lacie Litton of the Wellmark Health Insurance Company presented the Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) FY-2015 group health program report. Also present were Pam Beyer and Megan Taets. Mitchell County received a 9.61% increase in rates for July 1, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Stan Walk - Chair Board of Supervisors