

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

The Board of Supervisors convened at 9:04 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Judy Voaklander, Jerry Dunlay, Randy Conrad and Crystal Berche (Media). Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Walk, second by Paulus to approve the minutes of the November 28th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

At 9:04 a.m. the Chair opened the public hearing for the Village of Mona paving project. The Chair asked if there were any written or oral comments received prior to the hearing. Supervisor Walk stated that Tom Martin was against the project. A number of Mona residents are in favor of it. County Engineer Rich Brumm stated that Mona is the only community in the county that does not have a paved street. Estimated cost of the project is \$40,000.00. The public hearing was closed at 9:06 a.m.

Motion by Walk, second by Paulus to approve Resolution #996-17 for the paving project (L-HMA1-73-66) on 500th Street from State Hwy 218 west to Echo Avenue in Mona. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Brumm stated he is preparing an ad to sell two used pickups. After discussion, consensus for Rich to purchase a pavement saw for \$1,200.00.

County Attorney Mark Walk reviewed the opioid litigation proposal for legal counsel to represent Mitchell County. Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to authorize the Chair to sign Resolution #997-17, with a change, and for the County to engage with the "Law Firms" on the opioid litigation law suit and also to proceed signing a contract with the "Law Firm". Roll call vote: all ayes.

Discussed with Osage City Manager Jerry Dunlay an annexation request. The Board requested language to be corrected in the resolution.

Sheriff Greg Beaver introduced Justin Trees as his recommendation as a Mitchell County Deputy Sheriff to replace Jerry Jensen who retired in October. Motion by Walk, second by Paulus to approve the hiring of Justin Trees as a Mitchell County Deputy Sheriff. Roll call vote: all ayes. Greg plans to interview two more applicants to replace Deputy Jeff Huftalin who is retiring the end of December.

Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to approve the Auditor's Quarterly Report in the amount of \$301.00. Roll call vote: all ayes.

After discussion, motion by Paulus to approve the 2018 Courthouse Holiday schedule. Motion died for a lack of a second. Motion by Voaklander to add a half day for New Year's Eve. Motion died for a lack of a second. Motion by Paulus, second by Voaklander to approve the 2018 Courthouse Holiday schedule as presented. Paulus and Voaklander voted aye. Walk voted nay. Motion carried.

Items of note: Paulus reported on the Historical Preservation, E911 meetings and the County Wellness Christmas party. Voaklander reported on the County Social Services and Heartland Insurance meetings. Received manure management plan updates from the Myron Hemann Site and the Old Gestation Site. Discussed the County Care Facility building and property.

Meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors