

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, February 5, 2019

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Dean Pohren, Randy Conrad, Al Winters, Duane Tesch, Joy Beckman, Lori Mayer, Brian Wagner, Emily Moore, Tony Stonecypher, Jerry Phillips, Russ Kephart and Chrystal Berche (Media). Motion by Walk, second by Francis to add redistricting committee meeting and to approve the amended agenda. All ayes.

Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the January 29th meeting. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Engineer Rich Brumm stated that he is working with Conservation Director Adam Shirley on the Otranto Dam project. The project is a couple of years away.

Treasurer Shannon Paulus reviewed a request to sell two tax certificates to the City of McIntire. After discussion, motion by Walk, second by Francis to approve the sale of Tax Certificates #2013-13024 and #2015-15021 for \$10.00 each to the City of McIntire. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Shannon also requested approval to remove Jean Hemann from bank signature cards (due to retirement) and add Laurel Gisleson to the signature cards. Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve the request. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Supervisor Walk reviewed proposed TIF projects for 2019. The proposed projects and TIF funds would include \$750,000 for road rock, \$271,000 for Conservation land purchases and \$2 million for Phase 2 of the Commercial Housing Program. Brian Wagner, Manager of the Toeterville Elevator encouraged the BOS to consider paving four miles of Hickory Avenue from Toeterville north to the State Line Road. Discussed traffic counts and the need to repair other paved roads. No action was taken. The TIF projects will be placed on the February 12th agenda for more discussion.

Emily Moore and Lori Mayer discussed a potential assisted living project within the City of St. Ansgar. A ten unit facility is in the planning stage. The group is requesting \$500,000 from the County to assist with the project. No action was taken.

Items of note: Francis reported on the Board of Health and Heartland Insurance meetings. Walk reported on the North Iowa Regional Port Authority meeting and Smolik reported on the Valent meeting. Received manure management plan updates from Kuper Cattle, Kuper Hog Site 2 LLC, McIntire Finisher Farm and Iowa Select – Thorsen Sow Farm a.k.a. Tip 10. Effective February 8, 2019 Christa Merten, Home Care Aide III is to receive a 1 year salary step increase to \$14.91 per hour. Public comment was received from Al Winters, Dean Pohren and Jerry Phillips. Discussed property's in the Urban Renewal areas and whether or not the new wind towers were put on line prior to January 1st.

Supervisor Walk set the first Supervisor Redistricting Committee meeting for Wednesday, February 13th at 6:00

p.m. in the Supervisor Board room.
Meeting adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Steve Smolik – Chair Board of Supervisors