

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

Tuesday, July 23, 2019

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Randy Conrad, Dave Hartogh, Adam Shirley, Russ Kephart, Penney Morse, JR Peterson, Lisa Peterson, Myron Kuper, John Everly, Megan Taets and Steve Thompson (Media). Motion by Walk, second by Francis to include discussion on demolishing the County Care Facility and the Osage Day Care buildings and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Walk, second by Francis to approve the minutes of the July 16th meeting, the claims and handwritten warrants. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk had nothing to discuss.

Sheriff Greg Beaver discussed road closures for the Main to Main Marathon scheduled for August 24<sup>th</sup>.

Discussed with County Engineer Rich Brumm using TIF funds for 2020 road and bridge projects. The Board is considering borrowing \$5 million for needed road repairs. No official action was taken. Rich stated that the rock run is continuing and line painting will start in a week. Roads department is blading roads and spotting rock. Kevin Fox expressed a concern that his road between Valley and Walnut hasn't been graded for almost a month. Supervisor Smolik pointed out that rock has to be hauled from a further distance since the quarry's in that area don't have rock available. Kevin stated that these problems need to be addressed.

The Board had open discussion on a construction permit application for Kuper Hog Site 1. Comments were received from Penney Morse concerning our habitat, contamination of water and the Master Matrix scoring for the new proposed facility. JR and Lisa Peterson expressed concerns about heavy concentration of confinement buildings in their area. Supervisor Francis stated she is working on a letter encouraging the State Legislature to look at changing the Master Matrix requirements. After further discussion, motion by Walk, second by Francis to approve a Construction Permit Application for Kuper Hog Site 1 and the Master Matrix scoring of 445 points. Roll call vote: all voted aye. Documents submitted will be forwarded on to the DNR.

Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve a continuation of a second five-year loan with the Osage Home Trust Bank for a Conservation loan. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Conservation Director Adam Shirley discussed making an access for canoes at the 2 Poles location on the River Road between Hwy 9 and Mitchell. At present this project hasn't been budgeted for. Discussed using Hotel/Motel funds to assist with the project. Action on the project was tabled for one week.

Motion by Walk, second by Francis to approve the Treasurer's Semi-Annual Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June

30, 2019. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Discussed with Megan Taets a request to contribute \$1,600.00 to the Prime for Life Program. Megan stated that the funds have been budgeted for in the Substance Abuse Budget. Megan will turn in a claim for the \$1,600.00 request.

Items of note: Francis reported on the County Social Services and Economic Development meetings. Smolik reported on the Upper Wapsi Watershed, North Iowa Juvenile and FMC Landfill meetings. Received manure management plan updates from Carpenter South Finisher Farm, Hogville Corp., Peter Nolt Site 1 & 2 and Wegner Finisher Farm.

Supervisor Walk reported on a program that the DNR has that can financially assist with the demolition of derelict type buildings. The Mitchell County Hospital Board is inheriting the former Day Care building and is needing \$75,000 for demolition of the building. Discussed also applying for funds to assist with demolishing the County Care Facility building. Application for the funds is due in February of 2020.

Meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Steve Smolik – Chair Board of Supervisors