

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, July 9, 2019

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Randy Conrad, Tony Stonecypher, Casey Ketelsen, Garret Barker, Amanda Adams, Harlan Bisbee, Jeff Heil, Adam Shirley, Al Winters, Milt Owen, Ted Funk, Steve Cooper, Matt Pitzen, Ken Pitzen, Rick Bodensteiner, Vince Shay, Russ Kephart, Barb Schwamman and Mary Pieper (Media). Motion by Francis, second by Walk to delete County Attorney discussion and 2019 Disabled Veteran's Homestead Credits and Business Tax Credits and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Walk, second by Francis to approve the minutes of the July 2nd meeting and the claims. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Sheriff Greg Beaver gave a department update.

County Engineer Rich Brumm stated that the Roads department are doing ditch cleaning and culvert work. Grading of 370th Street east of Primrose Avenue will begin soon.

Items of note: Smolik reported on a DNR site visit for Kuper Hog 1 and the EMA meeting. Received manure management plan updates from Anderson Finisher Site and Blong North.

Discussed with Courthouse Maintenance man Dave Hartogh the County Social Services parking lot. Rich Brumm will have someone look at the parking lot and give a quote to fill the cracks.

At 9:00 a.m. the Chair opened the public hearing on a proposal to enter into General Obligation Urban Renewal Loan Agreements. Northland Securities Financial Advisor Jeff Heil explained the proposals for the loan agreements. The proposals are for housing, Conservation Otranto Dam project, land purchase and gravel for Secondary Roads. The Chair asked if there were any comments received prior to the public hearing. Supervisor Walk had received none. Supervisor Francis had fifteen comments in support of Conservation. Barb asked to see an accounting of how the money will be spent. It was reported that Floyd and Delaware County's were seeing a profit on kayaking. The Auditor said he had not received any written comments. Milt Owen spoke in favor of the Otranto Dam project. Vince Shay stated that the Cedar River is a great resource. Supervisor Walk spoke in favor of the housing program. Supervisor Francis suggested that the housing program be changed to assist others who are in the lower income bracket. Harlan Bisbee read a prepared statement supporting the Construction Incentive Program and the County using the money paid by the Windmill Company for the Program. Others speaking in support were Osage/Riceville Superintendent Barb Schwamman and Osage Mayor Steve Cooper. The public hearing was closed at 9:25 a.m.

Motion by Walk, second by Francis to approve Resolution #1040-19 taking additional action on a proposal to enter

into General Obligation County Urban Renewal Loan Agreements and authorizing the use of a preliminary official statement in connection therewith. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve Resolution #1041-19 taking additional action on proposal to enter into a Taxable General Obligation County Urban Renewal Loan Agreement and authorizing the use of a preliminary official statement in connection therewith. Roll call vote: Francis and Walk voted aye. Smolik voted nay. Motion carried.

Jeff Heil discussed meeting again on July 30th to set the sale of bonds. Consensus to place this on the July 30th agenda for possible action.

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Steve Smolik – Chair Board of Supervisors