

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, June 9, 2020

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Randy Conrad, Samantha Scharper, Rachel Foster, Lindsay Uhlenhopp and Tony Stonecypher. Due to the COVID 19 the meeting was made available to the public by video via "Go to Meeting" Motion by Smolik, second by Walk to include county newspapers and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Walk, second by Smolik to approve the minutes of the June 2nd meeting and the claims. All voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk discussed the Russ Kephart property in New Haven. According to the Mitchell County Zoning Ordinance it appears that Mr. Kephart is operating a junk yard. This is in violation of the Zoning Ordinance. The Sheriff department could write tickets each day. This would be a simple misdemeanor charge and could result in 30 days in jail and or a \$100.00 fine. The County Attorney and the Sheriff will work out a plan.

Discussed a request from the Feldt family to cancel a drainage assessment for Drainage District 1 & 22 that they received. The Feldt's feel they are not receiving any benefit from the drainage district. Legally the assessment can not be reduced to a zero amount or to remove them from the drainage district. Supervisor Francis will send the Feldt's an email explaining this.

Bids for new shingles and gutter for the County Services building were reviewed. Discussed the warranty for the current shingles. No action was taken.

County Engineer Rich Brumm stated there is 50 miles left to do for the rock run. Rich reported on the saw joint project.

Motion by Walk, second by Francis to approve Resolution #1060-20 setting July 21, 2020 at 8:45 a.m. to set a public hearing on the Urban Renewal Plan Amendment. Walk and Francis voted aye. Smolik voted nay. Motion carried.

Discussed with MCEDC Director Tony Stonecypher for Mitchell County to continue contributing to the Avance Program. A request has been made for \$7,000. No action was taken.

Tony reviewed amending the Commercial Construction Incentive Program to include adding demolition of derelict houses and buildings. The BOS will meet with the Economic Development Commission on June 29th to discuss this further.

The Board directed the Auditor to sign up for a subscription to the Recorder/Monitor newspaper.

Items of note: Francis reported on the NE Iowa Workforce meeting and a Mobile Momma presentation. Smolik reported on the DECAT Governance and Valent meetings. Walk reported on the Upper Cedar Watershed and NIACOG meetings.

The BOS constituted themselves as a Board of Canvassers and proceeded to canvas the votes for the Primary Election held on June 2, 2020. Candidates nominated are as follows:

REPUBLICAN

United States Senator	Joni Ernst
United States Representative District 1	Ashley Hinson
State Senator District 26	Waylon Brown
State Representative District 51	Jane Bloomingdale
County Auditor	Rachel Foster
County Sheriff	Gregory Beaver
Supervisor District 2	James Wherry
Supervisor District 3	Steven A Smolik
Supervisor District 4	Michael Mayer
Supervisor District 5	Mark Morley Hendrickson

DEMOCRATIC

United States Senator	Theresa Greenfield
United States Representative District 1	Abby Finkenauer
State Senator District 26	Deb Scharper (write in)
State Representative District 51	Jane Podgorniak

Motion by Walk, second by Smolik to accept the canvas of votes for the June 2, 2020 Primary Election and to sign the abstract of votes. All voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Barb Francis – Chair Board of Supervisors