

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

Monday, November 9, 2020

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Samantha Scharper, Bruce Biederman, Jim Wherry, Mike Mayer, and Tony Stonecypher. Steve Thompson was present from the Media. Due to the COVID 19 the meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Smolik, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Walk, second by Smolik to approve the minutes of the November 3rd meeting and the claims. All voted aye.

Discussed with County Attorney Mark Walk a possible county wide ordinance regarding the public wearing masks due to the increase of COVID cases in Mitchell County. Mark stated that the Governor would have to enact an Emergency Proclamation. Mark also said that the Iowa Attorney General's office doesn't agree at this time. Supervisor Walk would rather the BOS approve a Resolution that would strongly suggest the public wear masks.

Sheriff Greg Beaver gave an update for the jail.

County Engineer Rich Brumm stated that some of his employees are being tested for COVID and for safety reasons he is isolating at home.

Items of note: Francis reported on the Iowa Workforce Development meeting. Mike Mayer asked about the status of the Russ Kephart case.

Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve reappointing Jolene Norby to a 3 year-term on the Board of Health. All voted aye.

Motion by Francis, second by Smolik to approve reappointing Jean Brumm, Leo Jordan and Kurt Meyer to a 6 year-term on the Judicial Magistrate Appointing Commission. All voted aye.

The BOS constituted themselves as a Board of Canvassers and proceeded to canvas the votes of the November 3, 2020 General Election. It was found that the following received votes for County offices as follows:

Rachel Foster	Republican Auditor 4 Year Term	5,195 votes
Gregory Beaver	Republican Sheriff 4 Year Term	5,421 votes
Todd A. Frein	Democrat Supervisor District 1 2 Year Term	614 votes
James Wherry	Republican Supervisor District 2 4 Year Term	856 votes

Steven A. Smolik	Republican Supervisor District 3 2 Year Term	784 votes
Michael Mayer	Republican Supervisor District 4 4 Year Term	625 votes
Mark Hendrickson	Republican Supervisor District 5 4 Year Term	661 votes
Steve Norby	Hospital Trustee 6 Year Term	4,408 votes
Cheryl Smalley	Hospital Trustee 6 Year Term	3,889 votes
Luke Porisch	Hospital Trustee 6 Year Term	103 votes (write in)
Jackie Armstrong	Soil & Water District Commissioner 4 Year Term	3,612 votes
Eric Jellum	Soil & Water District Commissioner 4 Year Term	3,784 votes
Suzanne K. Sletten	Soil & Water District Commissioner 4 Year Term	3,870 votes
Denise Gerdts	Ag Extension Council 4 Year Term	3,508 votes
Joseph Klaes	Ag Extension Council 4 Year Term	3,073 votes
Jill Popp	Ag Extension Council 4 Year Term	3,355 votes
Angie Sprung	Ag Extension Council 4 Year Term	3,179 votes
Ronald Valasek	Burr Oak Township Trustee 4 Year Term	90 votes
Vince Morische	Cedar Township Trustee 4 Year Term	2 votes
Roger Schroeder	Douglas Township Trustee 4 Year Term	137 votes
Richard L. Wright	East Lincoln Township Trustee 4 Year Term	54 votes
Lee Newton	Jenkins Township Trustee 4 Year Term	107 votes
Richard Havlovic	Liberty Township Trustee 4 Year Term	117 votes
Keven A. Koster	Mitchell Township Trustee 4 Year Term	119 votes
Donnie Thorson	Newburg Township Trustee 4 Year Term	159 votes
Clarence Kruse	Osage Township Trustee 4 Year Term	1 vote
Kurtis Meyer	Otranto Township Trustee 4 Year Term	152 votes
Craig Tesch	Rock Township Trustee 4 Year Term	173 votes
Kevin L. Koster	St. Ansgar Township Trustee 4 Year Term	166 votes
Norbert A. Hemann	Stacyville Township Trustee 4 Year Term	126 votes
Allen Hofland	Union Township Trustee 4 Year Term	125 votes
Philip Jensson	Wayne Township Trustee 4 Year Term	62 votes
Daniel Lewis	West Lincoln Township	85 votes

Motion by Walk, second by Smolik to approve the canvass of the November 3, 2020 General Election. All voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Barb Francis – Chair Board of Supervisors