

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

Tuesday, December 15, 2009

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:40 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Charlie Pajer and Michelle Haacke (Media). Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Discussed with County Attorney Mark Walk a proposed junked vehicle ordinance and an Emergency Management Agency agreement. EMA Director Ray Huftalin will be asked to attend the December 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting to explain why moving the emergency operations center is an advantage to Mitchell County.

Sheriff Curt Younker reviewed the Sheriff report for November. Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve the report in the amount of \$29,544.62. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the December 8th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Jim Hyde gave an update on the County Engineer's conference. Jim stated that Secondary Road departments will not be able to borrow ahead to fund future road projects. Due to the Governor's proposed cut of \$50 million to the road use tax fund Mitchell County would lose \$135,000. Reviewed the County's snow equipment. Assistant Engineer Rich Brumm is working on plans for a new shop at St. Ansgar. Discussed the County's snow plowing policy. This will be reviewed next week with the County Attorney and the Sheriff.

Mitchell County Economic Development Commission Director Brenda Dryer reviewed the FY 2010 mid-year financial report. Brenda reported that the commission is requesting \$50,000 from Mitchell County for FY 2011. This is the same amount as FY 2010. This will be reviewed during the budget meetings in January.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Marreel to recess at 9:50 a.m. All voted aye. Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to reconvene at 10:00 a.m. All voted aye.

The Joint 28E Chickasaw/Mitchell Targeted Case Management meeting was convened via a conference call. Present at Chickasaw County were Supervisors Virgil Pickar, John Andersen, Arnie Boge, Rick Holthaus and Sherry Mattke, Auditor Joan Knoll and TCM Director Sheila Kobliska. Present at Mitchell County was TCM Supervisor Megan Taets. Sheila reported that in order for the Case Management department to be HIPPA compliant a separate server is needed for the case manager's personal computers. Quotes were received from Virtual Quest and Advanced Computer Engineering Solutions (ACES). Felicia representing ACES reviewed a quote for a new server for the Case Management department. Total cost for the server, hardware and software is \$17,019.60. Sheila stated Medicaid would reimburse Case

Management for the cost. After discussion, motion by Walk, second by Holthaus to proceed with the quote from ACES. Roll call vote: all ayes. Sheila also gave an update on a proposed 2 1/2% funding cut by Governor Culver for case management services. She advised both Boards to contact DHS and let DHS officials know their thoughts. Motion by Pickar, second by Voaklander to adjourn at 10:30 a.m. All voted aye.

The regular meeting reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

Deputy Auditor Barb Baldwin reported that the county valuation report looks good. Valuations with gas and electric has increased \$33.1 million and without gas and electric it increased \$29.8 million.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the Community Action meeting and Marreel reported on the Emergency Management Agency meeting. Effective December 5, 2009, Amy Ring and Susan Warburton, Home Care Aide's III are to each receive a salary step increase to \$11.31 per hour. Dawn Adams has completed her med aide course and is to receive a salary step increase to \$10.10 per hour effective December 6, 2009. Elizabeth Weaverling has completed her nurse aide course and is to receive a salary step increase to \$10.20 per hour effective December 6, 2009.

Reviewed the 2010 courthouse holiday schedule. Supervisor Walk questioned being closed on President's Day. Employees will be canvassed to see if they would prefer to have President's Day off or to have a second personal day. This will be placed on the December 22<sup>nd</sup> agenda for action. County employees receive ten and a half holidays per year.

Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to reappoint Robert Slaughter to the P&Z Board of Adjustment for a 5 year term subject to Robert's acceptance. Roll call vote: all ayes.

To be noted that \$100,000 is to be transferred from the General Basic Fund to the Capital Projects Fund, \$85,600 is to be transferred from the General Basic Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund and \$400,000 is to be transferred from the Rural Basic Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund.

Meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Bob Marreel – Chair Board of Supervisors