

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, January 11, 2011

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Dan Zimmerman, Eli Zimmerman, Mervin Leid, Dan Sullivan, Howard Buerckley, Penney Morse, Jim Cross (Media) and Jean Simmit (Media). Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to include flex benefits and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

County Custodian Dave Hartogh gave an update on the boilers at the Law Enforcement Center building. Dave reported that the pop-off valves were not installed per code and that there are some issues with the boilers and the water heater. Discussed whether to consider a new system or to re-pipe the present system. Consensus that Dave investigates both options and report back.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve the minutes of the January 4th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Consideration of the concealed weapons resolution was tabled until the 18th. Considered ordering signs that pertain to prohibiting guns and weapons from specific County buildings. Consensus to order the signs.

Sheriff Curt Younker reviewed the December Sheriff Report of fees and expenses collected. Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve the report in the amount of \$3,741.31. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Discussed with County Engineer Rich Brumm damages to 370th Street between Primrose Avenue and Shadow Avenue. County Engineer stated that an invoice had been sent to Jonas Leid with a description of the costs. Consensus to send one more letter requesting Mr. Leid to address the issue. Discussed the Addison Avenue road project with Howard County. Rich stated that a 28E Agreement will be drawn up with Howard County. Discussed future TIF projects, a fuel tank at St. Ansgar and new shop plans for St. Ansgar.

After review, motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve the claims. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve reappointing Gary Moody and John Whitaker to the Airport Zoning Board of Adjustment to a 6 year term and to appoint St. Ansgar Mayor Dave Tollefson to the T-21 Board. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Received the December Clerk of Court Report in the amount of \$1,590.76.

Set January 31st at Noon to meet with various departments to review a 5 year plan for the County and the Courthouse. Penney Morse stated that she would be willing to pursue grants for planning and restoration.

Discussed an incentive program for any county employee that could come up with a cost saving plan for the County. This will be discussed further at the next BOS meeting.

Discussed allowing full-time 40 employees the option of placing a portion of the flex benefits that the County contributes into a deferred compensation plan. Motion by Marreel, second by Voaklander to allow the employees to place \$34.00 a month in a deferred compensation plan for FY 2012. Roll call vote: Marreel and Voaklander voted aye. Walk voted nay. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors