

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, June 7, 2011

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with Marreel and Walk present. Voaklander was excused for an appointment. Also present were Chuck Pajer and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to delete approval of Liquor License for Acorn Park and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk shared information regarding the deadline for gender-balanced boards. The effective date is January 1, 2012. The Board reviewed a form prepared by the Iowa Association of Counties (ISAC) and directed the Auditor to place it in all of the county newspapers. Also, the County Attorney reported that the Magistrate Court Judge ruled against the County in the Zinnia Avenue road case. The case resulted from a tire/trailer fire which damaged the blacktop road. Estimated damages were \$4,300.00. County Attorney stated that the Board has two options. The Board can decide to do nothing or to appeal the decision. Since Supervisor Voaklander is not present, this will be placed on the June 14th agenda for further discussion and possible action.

At 8:45 a.m. the Chair opened the public hearing to consider a proposed confinement feeding operation structure for Ruehlow 2 LLC. The Chair asked if there were any oral or written comments received prior to the hearing. It was replied that none were received. There were no comments from the public in attendance. The public hearing was closed at 8:46 a.m.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to forward the application to the DNR with no negative public comments. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Assistant County Engineer Jim Hyde reported that Rampart Avenue is being paved near Meyer and shouldering work is being done on Kirkwood Avenue east of St. Ansgar.

Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the May 31st meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve a fireworks permit to Ken Jorgensen for July 3, 2011. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Case Management Director Sheila Kobliska reviewed the financial report for the month of May and gave a department update.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve an amendment to the Dearborn National Life Insurance policy regarding the age reduction provision for the union and non-union life insurance policies. The amendment makes the same age reduction schedule for both classes. Roll call vote: all ayes.

To be noted that \$800,000.00 is to be transferred from the Capital Projects Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund

and \$232,425.00 is to be transferred from the Rural Basic Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve appointing Faye Haugen to the Mitchell County Veterans Affairs Commission for a three year term effective July 1, 2011. Roll call vote: all ayes. Faye will replace Verle Nickerson who is retiring from the commission.

Penney Morse gave an update for the Mitchell County Historical Preservation Commission. Penney reported that the dedication for the David Community sign was well attended.

Consideration of air conditioning bids for the kitchen area at the Care Facility was postponed until June 9th.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Bob Marreel – Vice Chair Board of Supervisors