

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, June 28, 2011

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Betty McCarthy, Eugene Schrage and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to include meeting at County Care Facility and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk discussed with the BOS a letter sent to the Board of Supervisors, Hospital Board members, Physicians and Leo Chisholm from a former Mitchell County Hospital employee. Supervisor Walk stated that he had attended the June 23rd Hospital Trustee meeting and nothing was discussed at the meeting pertaining to the letter. Supervisor Walk asked the County Attorney if the Supervisor Board could ask for an inquiry on the matter. County Attorney advised the Board that the Hospital Trustees are elected officials and the BOS has no legal authority whatsoever to do anything. They could address this as private citizens but not as a Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Walk hopes that the public will become involved and express their concerns with the Trustees.

Judy Funk presented the Heartland Insurance annual renewal. Judy reported that since Mitchell County has such an excellent claims rating, the County will be receiving a credit of \$143,205 for the FY 2012 insurance premium. Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve coverage with Heartland Insurance for FY 2012. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Rich Brumm discussed with the Board farmers who have been planting crops in the county right-of-way ditches. Discussed sending letters to those farmers who are in the practice of doing this. Rich gave an update on the paving of Kirkwood and Monument Avenues. It was reported that someone took down a barrier and drove on approximately 200 feet of concrete that had only six hours of curing time, north of Stacyville. Rich is having the contractor take core samples to check for potential damage. Falk Construction is doing the rock run and Roads department is working on frost boils.

Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve a request from the Osage Chamber of Commerce to allow a detour on County roads for the annual Osage Independence Day parade on Monday, July 4, 2011. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve the minutes of the June 21st meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve a fireworks permit to Keith Pitzen for July 2, 2011. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve placing \$963.05 in the Land Acquisition and Capitol Improvement Fund. \$463.05 from "Cans for Conservation" and \$500.00 for land acquisition of the Rock Creek Wildlife Area from "Floyd County Turkey Trackers". Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve Resolution #870-11 for the FY 2012 hourly wages and salaries. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve Resolution #808-11 for the FY 2012 appropriations. Roll call vote: all ayes.

CPC Director Bob Lincoln gave an update on the Mental Health Center and the County Social Services.

P&Z Director Mark Ross reported that the Planning & Zoning Board had met on June 21, 2011 to review a request for a zoning district change from the original AG-D Agricultural Development to Hi-Heavy Industrial on the following property located in the SE1/2 of Section 25, Township 98, Range 17, known as North side of the 2100 Block of 350th St. Mitchell County, Iowa. Mark stated that the P&Z Board unanimously approved the request with no negative comments from the public. The public that was in attendance was asked if they had any comments and none was made. Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve the re-zoning request. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Walk reported on the Conservation and Hospital Trustee meetings and the ISAC Legislative Forum, Marreel reported on the Board of Health meeting and Voaklander reported on the P&Z and Economic Development meetings. Received manure management plan updates from Baarsch Farms – Junction North, Baarsch Farms – Junction South, Larry Bissen, Clipper Farms, LLC – Jenkins North, H& R Partnership – Jenkins South, Iowa Select Farms, L.P. – Johnson/Tip 6, Iowa Select Farms, L.P. – Kiss/Tip 13, Sunray Pork Ltd. - Liberty East, Sunray Pork Ltd. – Liberty South, Sunray Pork Ltd. – Liberty West, Daniel Swann – Sun Prairie Farms Inc.

A financial request from the City of St. Ansgar to assist with their Industrial Park expansion project was discussed. The request is for \$60,000.00 and would be used to assist with construction costs. This was tabled for one week.

Meeting recessed at 10:23 a.m. and reconvened at 10:50 at the County Care Facility. Director Peggy Hanson gave an update for the facility. Pat Clark reviewed the ID Waiver and reported that the HAB Waiver will be starting in September of 2011.

Meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors