

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, May 24, 2011

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Dave Marley and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to include report from L. Dean Pohren and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Mitchell County Assessor L. Dean Pohren reported on a Town Hall meeting with Governor Terry Branstad and Lt. Governor Kim Reynolds that he and Supervisor Walk attended in Cresco on May 23rd.

County Attorney Mark Walk suggested that the Board consider making changes to the County's policy regarding continuation of group health insurance for employees who retire before attaining the age of 65. This will be placed on the May 31st agenda for discussion. Mark stated that there hasn't been any decision from the Magistrate Court Judge regarding the Zinnia road case.

Kim Barker interviewed for a position on the Board of Health. After reviewing her qualifications, motion by Marreel, second by Walk to appoint Kim to the Board of Health to fulfill the unexpired term of Penney Morse who resigned in January. Roll call vote: all ayes. The term will expire December 31, 2013.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reported that Falk Construction was the low bidder for the east and west side of Mitchell County for the rock run. They plan on starting July 1st. Rich stated that the Roads department has been doing shoulder work near Meyer, rocking and grading roads and doing patch work on T-38. Rich is monitoring the patch work.

Dan Schroeder from the North Iowa Council of Governments (NIACOG) reviewed the Mitchell County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to authorize the Chair to sign the plan. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve the minutes of the May 17th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

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

Items of note: Marreel reported on the Board of Health, FMC DECAT Governance Board and the Riceville Community Club meetings. Walk attended the meeting with the Governor and Voaklander reported on the North Iowa Community Action, Heartland Insurance, Prairie Ridge, Economic Development meetings and a meeting in Des Moines with Brenda Dryer, Valent BioSciences and DNR Engineers. Board appointments to the Civil Service Commission, County Conservation and the Veterans Affairs Commission were discussed. A manure management plan update from Mark Patterson was received.

Regular meeting adjourned 10:29 a.m.

At 11:30 a.m. a joint meeting with the Worth County Board of Supervisors convened at the Carpenter Bar & Grill to discuss a petition for repairs to Mitchell/Worth Joint Drainage District 6 & 51. Present were Worth County Supervisors Ken Abrams, Dave Haugen, Dennis May, Auditor Kay Clark, County Engineer Rich Brumm and Assistant County Engineer Jim Hyde. Jim Hyde reviewed a request to replace the main tile thru a group of trees and to remove the trees over the main located in the SE ¼ of Section 12 in Barton Township Worth County. Motion by Abrams, second by Marreel to do the project. The County Engineer will obtain quotes for the repairs. Roll call vote: all ayes.

The Engineer's salary for FY 2012 was also discussed. A joint conference call will be scheduled for May 31st at 9:15 a.m. to take action.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors