

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

Tuesday, October 4, 2011

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:37 a.m. with Marreel and Voaklander present. Walk was attending another meeting. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Kurt Meyer, Bob Lincoln and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Marreel, second by Voaklander to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk reported that Don Wilder, a former resident of the Mitchell County Care Facility, and who has recently passed away, owes the Facility approximately \$12,000 for when he was a resident in 2006, 2007 and 2010. It was reported that no legal proceedings had been done prior to this time. No action was taken.

Supervisor Walk arrived at 8:43 a.m.

Karen Damjanovic and Kurt Hoeft from the Mitchell County Soil and Water Service gave an update on the slough bill program in Mitchell County. They reported that due to budget cuts, the Soil and Water office is no longer sending out reminder cards to property owners to sign up for the slough bill property tax exemption. However, a private organization has just offered funds to assist with sending out the notices for 2012.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reported that the guard rail for the Stillwater Bridge should be completed this week and paving work continues on 320<sup>th</sup> Street.

Alex Kuhn and John Schneider from Henkel Construction presented an overview of their construction management project delivery system. They said they are aware that the Board is looking at options on renovating or replacing the Courthouse. They explained why a construction manager could help with such a project. The Board said they would keep it in mind.

Kathy Showalter of PlanScape Partners reviewed a memorandum of understanding for the Valent BioSciences Corporation project. Also present was Mitchell County Economic Development Director Brenda Dryer. After discussion, motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve Resolution #810-11 which approves and authorizes the Chair to sign a memorandum of understanding by and among Mitchell County, Iowa, the City of Osage, Iowa and Valent BioSciences Corporation. Roll call vote: all ayes. After further discussion, motion by Marreel, second by Walk to authorize the Chair to sign the memorandum of understanding. Roll call vote: all ayes. A development plan was discussed. PlanScape Partners will work on details for the plan.

Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the September 27th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the FMC Landfill and County Social Services meetings and Walk reported on the REAP meeting. Received manure management plan updates from Merten Farms and Anders Knudsen.

Mitchell County Conservation Director Milt Owen reviewed a recreational trail easement for the Wapsi Bike Trail thru property owned by LR Falk Construction Co. The easement shall be for a period of twenty (20) years. After discussion, motion by Walk, second by Marreel to authorize the Chair to sign the easement. Roll call vote: all ayes. Milt gave an update on the Wapsi Bike Trail project. The joint use of 485<sup>th</sup> Street and Walnut Avenue for bikes and vehicles was discussed for future paving. This will be placed on the October 11<sup>th</sup> agenda for possible action.

Meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors