

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

Tuesday, November 22, 2011

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Eli Zimmerman, Dan Zimmerman, and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to delete update on wastewater treatment project and to include as items of note: transfer of funds and training class and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk stated that he is waiting to review a document before giving an opinion on a planning grant agreement between the Iowa Homeland Security & Emergency Management Division and Mitchell County. County Attorney reported that he has hired a private investigator for the steel wheel issue.

Motion by Marreel, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

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

County Engineer Rich Brumm reported that the roads department is cutting brush and working on frost boils. Shouldering work is done along the newly paved roads. Line painting is still to be done. The bridge inspection program for 2012 was discussed. Estimated cost will be \$45,460.00. Rich is checking with a company from Duluth, MN that offers a snooper truck and a man to physically inspect bridges with steel beams. This service could be shared with Worth and Cerro Gordo. Rich reviewed bids to remove trees from the Joint Mitchell/Worth Drainage District 6 & 51. A low bid of \$650.00 was received from Freeborn Construction. Motion by Walk, second by Marreel to approve the low bid of \$650.00 from Freeborn Construction. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Marreel reported on the Wellness Committee, Board of Health, FMC DECAT Governance and FMC Empowerment Early Childhood meetings. Effective November 14, 2011, Laura Huisman, office staff at Home Health Public Care received a salary step increase to \$16.23 per hour. Effective November 21, 2011, Rachel Gayken has been hired at the Care Facility. Her status is PT-25 and her starting wage is \$10.00 per hour. Received manure management plan updates from Jonas Z. Leid, Gaskill Finisher Farm owned by H&R Partnership and Libassi/Tip 16 Finisher Farm owned by Iowa Select Farms, L.P.

To be noted that \$89,024.00 is to be transferred from the General Basic Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund. \$579,620.00 is to be transferred from the Rural Basic Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund. \$500,000.00 is to be transferred from the Capital Projects Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund.

Supervisor Voaklander stated that he has been receiving quotes on asbestos testing for the Courthouse.

Supervisor Walk stated that he will be attending an all day training class at NIACC on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>.

Emergency Management Director Ray Huftalin reported on an essential records training class that he had attended. Ray is requesting to hold a 6 hour training class at the EOC building here in Osage for County department heads and also department heads from Worth County. Ray will also invite cities to attend. The Auditor will contact the department heads to see if there is interest in participating with the training.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors