

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

Tuesday, July 2, 2013

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with Voaklander and Walk present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Casey Morse, Algie and Kay Slindee, Betty McCarthy, Sheriff Greg Beaver, Randy Conrad and Jim Cross (Press News). Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to include update on District 3 Supervisor and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Auditor Tesch reported that District 3 Supervisor Bob Marreel has retired effective June 30<sup>th</sup>. A committee of the Recorder, Treasurer, and Auditor will consider either appointing someone from District 3 or to call for a special election to fill the vacancy.

Tom Madden of Yaggy Colby Associates reviewed change order #4 for the VBC Industrial Pre-Treatment Facility Phase II: Process Tank Project. After discussion, motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to accept change order #4 in the amount of \$21,300.35. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Tom presented the final pay request of \$92,451.42, less retainage, for the VBC Phase II Site Grading – Process Tank Project. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the final pay request. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Jackie Reams made a request to gain access to her property which is on a hill above the Lime Kiln Road. The access road has been damaged due to the flooding of Sugar Creek. Jackie stated that the County had made an agreement with her parents in 1992 to furnish access. Jackie was advised to contact EMA Director Ray Huftalin regarding receiving assistance from FEMA.

County Attorney Mark Walk introduced a new resolution that would allow the County to continue with all terrain vehicles (ATV's) being operated on all Mitchell County highways and designated roadways. Mark explained that the original Resolution #850-13, which was approved January 8, 2013, is about to sunset after 6 months. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to renew the resolution for an indefinite length of time. Roll call vote: all ayes.

The former Cedar River Bridge at Otranto was discussed. Years ago the County sold the bridge to the adjacent landowner. Due to the flood there are issues on the east side of the abandoned bridge. Concerns are that the bridge could fall on the current bridge. County Attorney stated that the County has no legal position regarding the bridge. Since the bridge is on the historic register for bridges, the present owners will be contacted regarding types of funding.

Mark Walk, private citizen, presented a petition for a Rural Improvement Zone under Iowa Code #357H for the Cedar Ridge Subdivision. The need for the proposed zone is to make improvements in the zone, including but not limited to, dredging of the lake and paving of roads. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to accept the petition and to set a

public hearing on the matter for July 16, 2013 at 8:45 a.m. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Rich Brumm presented an official IA DOT route document for the detour of Hwy 9 on Foothill Avenue. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to authorize the Chair to sign the document. Roll call vote: all ayes. Secondary roads are patching roads and mowing ditches. Rock run is to start in Mid July. A compression brake/jake break resolution on Hwy 105 coming down the Cedar River hill east toward St. Ansgar was discussed. This will be placed on the July 9<sup>th</sup> agenda for possible action.

Motion by, Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the June 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> meetings. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve fireworks permits to Brian and Tara Bork on July 5<sup>th</sup>, Alan Anhorn on July 6<sup>th</sup> and Rob Loften on July 6<sup>th</sup>. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the County Social Services meeting and Walk reported on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial meeting. Meeting recessed until 10:00 a.m.

Northland Securities financial advisor Jeff Heil reviewed financing options and current interest rates for the bond market. Also present were Deputy Auditor Barb Baldwin and County Attorney Mark Walk. Financing for the second phase of the Valent BioSciences project was discussed. Jeff will contact Bond Counsel regarding preparing a public hearing to borrow more funds for the next phase.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Stan Walk – Chair Board of Supervisors