

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

Tuesday, August 6, 2013

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:40 a.m. with Voaklander and Walk present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Penney Morse, Randy Conrad, Tom Martin, Deanna Eastman, Sheriff Greg Beaver, Dean Steffen and Jim Cross (Press News). Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Tom Madden of Yaggy Colby Associates gave an update on the Valent project. Construction should begin this week.

Sheriff Greg Beaver is looking into putting a "one call system" into place for advance warnings and updates on natural disasters. New radio system is up and running.

At 8:45 a.m. the Chair opened the public hearing on the Mitchell County General Obligation County Purpose Loan Agreement. The Chair asked if the Auditor and the Board if they had received any oral or written comments prior to the hearing. It was replied that none were received. Jim Cross questioned the language in the resolution regarding repairing County roads and bridges damaged by floods. It was stated that the County is waiting to hear about receiving FEMA disaster funds and may not need to borrow for the roads and bridges. Tom Martin asked who is paying for the sanitary sewer treatment improvements and it was stated that the Valent Company will be repaying the County. After further discussion the public hearing was closed at 8:52 a.m.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve Resolution #889-13 to take additional action to enter into a General Obligation County Purpose Loan Agreement and borrow money in a principal amount not to exceed \$12,000,000 for the purpose of (1) repairing County roads and bridges damaged by floods, and (2) constructing sanitary sewer treatment improvements. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reported that he is getting quotes for rail cars to use for repairing bridges. He stated he needs ten of them. Rich stated that Com Line had turned in the low quote of \$14.25 a gallon for line painting maintenance. Discussed sending letters to farmers who have planted crops in the County's right-of-way and placing rocks in the ditches. Shirley and Charles Hackenmiller discussed a flooding issue on property they own on 480<sup>th</sup> Street north-east of Stacyville. County Engineer will check into the issue and try and determine if the County has any responsibility in the matter.

At 9:30 a.m. a name clearing hearing for Kevin Knebel was opened. Present were Kevin Knebel, Tracey Knebel and Kevin's attorney Heather Prendergast. Previously Kevin was a part-time dispatcher with the Mitchell County Communications Center. Heather gave an update on Kevin's appeal with the Iowa State Patrol. Kevin told his side of the

story and doesn't feel that he should have been terminated from his part-time dispatching position. The hearing was closed at 9:45 a.m.

County Attorney Mark Walk stated that he is doing routine county attorney work.

Motion by, Voaklander second by Walk to approve the minutes of the July 30th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Regular meeting recessed at 9:45 a.m. The Joint 28E Chickasaw/Mitchell Targeted Case Management convened via a conference call. Present was TCM Director Sheila Kobliska. Present at Chickasaw were Supervisors John Andersen, Jason Byrnes, Steve Geerts, Rick Holthaus, Tim Zoll and Auditor Joan Knoll.

Sheila reviewed the case management contract with County Social Services. The new reimbursement rate will be \$116.88. Motion by Voaklander, second by Byrne to approve the contract between Case Management and County Social Services at the rate of \$116.88. Roll call vote: all ayes. Motion by Geerts, second by Voaklander to adjourn at 9:50 a.m. Motion carried.

Regular meeting reconvened.

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

Items of note: Walk reported on the Mitchell County Fair booth. A manure management plan update was received from the Johanns Farms L.T.D. owned by Keith Johanns.

Meeting adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Stan Walk – Chair Board of Supervisors