

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, November 26, 2013

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Charlie Pajer, Dave Hartogh, Jackie Reams, Joe Reams, Algie Slindee, Eugene Schrage, Penney Morse, Jerry Fisk, Sheriff Greg Beaver and Deb Nicklay (Press News). Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to delete meeting at County Care Facility and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Tom Madden of Yaggy Colby Associates reviewed change order #4 for Henkel Construction Company, Inc. for pipe fittings and more conduits. Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve change order #4 in the amount of \$6,584.55. Roll call vote: all ayes. Tom reported that the projects are on schedule.

Motion by Paulus, second by Voaklander to approve the minutes of the November 19th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

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

Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the annual TIF report. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Paulus, second by Voaklander to approve the annual Urban Renewal report. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Supervisor Paulus reported on the Wellmark Insurance Wellness program contract. The Wellness plan, employee participation and an employee to spend one hour a week tracking the program were discussed. Motion by Paulus, second by Voaklander to approve the contract. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Rich Brumm discussed bridges that are closed. Waiting for an engineer's estimate on the Nobel Avenue Bridge. Roads department is getting snow equipment ready for winter. Discussed sanding and salting the parking area for the County's portion of the Plaza.

Motion by Paulus, second by Voaklander to approve contributing \$1,200.00 to the Prime for Life program which will be given by a substance abuse prevention specialist to all 9th grade students in the three county schools. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Walk attended the FMC Foundation meeting and Voaklander reported on the North Iowa Community Action, Prairie Ridge and Economic Development meetings. Received manure management plan updates from Myron J. Hemann, Gaskill Finisher Farm and Libassi/Tip 16 Finisher Farm.

Supervisor Voaklander stated that the Hospital Foundation Board has committed \$15,000 to the recruitment of Physicians at the Hospital. This will be discussed more during budget talks in January.

To be noted that \$300,000 is to be transferred from the Rural Basic Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund.

At 9:30 a.m. the Chair opened the public hearing for a proposal to incur noncurrent debt in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. The Chair asked if the Board and the Auditor had received any oral or written comments. None had been received prior to the hearing. The Chair asked if the public had any comments. Penney Morse asked what the debt was for. Paulus stated that the funds were for a study for a natural gas line in the county. Public hearing was closed at 9:35 a.m.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve Resolution #894-13 authorizing an internal loan to fund Urban Renewal Project costs. Roll call vote: all ayes.

The Wide-area Emergency Notification System was discussed. Sheriff Beaver stated that the WENS Company will gather all of the data required. Worth County has been using this system. Supervisor Paulus proposed that Mitchell County partner with Worth for a possible joint venture. A meeting will be scheduled with Worth County officials.

County Rural Library representatives Syd Heimer, Sandie Adams, Barb Klapperich, Jerry Brandau and Nicole Smith were present for an annual update and a FY 2015 budget request. Barb reported that outreach programs have increased in usage throughout the county. The Rural Library Board is requesting a 4% increase for FY 15 which equates to an increase of \$4,575.00. Total budget would be \$118,931.00. The Board will consider during budget talks in January.

Meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Stan Walk – Chair Board of Supervisors