

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, December 02, 2014

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Dan Zimmerman, Eli Zimmerman, Jeff Huftalin, Mark Ross and Deb Nicklay (Media). Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to include roads usage, Wellness, Crisis Intervention, Case Management and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Discussed with County Attorney Mark Walk a lobbyist services agreement. No action was taken. This will be placed on next week's agenda.

Dan and Eli Zimmerman requested to meet with the BOS for a plan of open discussion regarding the usage of Addison Avenue by steel wheel tractors going to and from the Produce Auction. County Attorney stated that this is still in violation of state law. After more discussion, consensus for Supervisors Paulus and Walk and the County Engineer to meet with the Zimmermans in January to discuss this more.

County Attorney and Sheriff Beaver had a discussion regarding court ordered commitments to Five East at the Mercy Hospital in Mason City.

County Attorney will file papers for a tobacco civil case that occurred in the county.

Tom Madden gave an update on the Valent project. The pretreatment plant is running good.

Reviewed a draft of preliminary plans and specs for the County Care Facility water system. Action on this will be taken at the December 9th meeting.

At 9:00 a.m. the Chair opened the first of two public hearings on the designation of expanded Mitchell County Urban Renewal Area and proposed Urban Renewal Plan and on approval of a contract for Private Development with Osage Cooperative Elevator, Inc. Present were Kathy Showalter, Mark Ross, Gayle Melcher, Scott Niess, Dan Jacobs, Dale Hemann and Dean Pohren. Mark Ross reported that the Planning & Zoning Board had met and recommended approval of the proposed Mitchell County comprehensive plan. Dean Pohren questioned why a ten year exemption instead of a five year graduated scale. His opinion is that ten years is too long for an exemption. He also asked if there were going to be any new jobs created for the project. Scott Niess answered that at least two jobs would be created along with other work being done. Coop Manager Gayle Melcher stated that there was no room in the City to expand for the project. First public hearing was closed at 9:12 a.m.

Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to approve Resolution #925-14 for the 2014 Urban Renewal Plan Amendment for the Mitchell County Urban Renewal Area. Roll call vote: all ayes.

The second public hearing was opened at 9:13 a.m. Gayle thanked the BOS for approving the project and for signing the development agreement. Completion of the project is expected to be in the fall of 2016. Public hearing was

closed at 9:15 a.m.

Motion by Walk, second by Paulus to approve Resolution #926-14 authorizing the signing of a development agreement to provide financial assistance to Osage Cooperative Elevator, Inc. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Walk, second by Paulus to waive the first and second readings of Ordinance #49 providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the 2014 addition to the Mitchell County Urban Renewal Area, pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to approve the third reading of Ordinance #49. Roll call vote: all ayes. The ordinance will be effective upon publication.

Sheriff Greg Beaver gave a department update.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reported that work on the 370th Street Bridge is progressing. Rich is looking for a couple of seasonal employees for the winter months.

Chickasaw/Mitchell Targeted Case Manager Director Sheila Kobliska discussed having the Mitchell County Case Managers become Mitchell County employees effective January 1, 2015. Consensus to discuss this with the County Attorney and CPC Director Bob Lincoln before moving forward.

Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the November 25th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Walk attended the Howard County BOS meeting, Paulus reported on the Substance Abuse Coalition meeting and Voaklander reported on the County Social Services meeting. Consensus to renew the ISAC Wellness contract for FY20-16. Discussed a budget request from Crisis Intervention.

Meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors