

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

Tuesday, February 4, 2014

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Jackie Reams, Ron Ryan, Penney Morse, John Kasel and Deb Nicklay (Press News). Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

County Weed Commissioner Joe Marzen gave a report on the 2013 weed spraying season.

County Attorney Mark Walk had nothing to report.

Tom Madden of Yaggy Colby & Associates gave an update on the VBC project. The project is moving forward.

County Engineer Rich Brumm stated that the roads department is plowing snow. Rich reported that an older motor grader has broken down. This may or may not be repaired. Discussed purchasing possibly six new motor graders.

Sheriff Greg Beaver gave an update for the Sheriff's department. Security measures were discussed.

Motion by Paulus, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the January 28th and 29th meetings. Roll call vote: all ayes.

The BOS is reviewing a new cell phone policy. Other county plans are being looked at.

After discussion, motion by Walk, second by Paulus to approve contributing \$10,000 to the Mitchell County Hospital for future recruitment of physicians. This will be on a need basis. Roll call vote: all ayes.

GEO Thermal plans for the new courthouse was discussed. Supervisor Walk has requested that more research be done. Also discussed electric rates.

Items of note: Walk reported on a TIF meeting with two St. Ansgar School Board members. Paulus reported on a meeting with CM Director Sheila Kobliska at the County Care Facility, TIF webinar and the Substance Coalition meeting. Voaklander reported on the Heartland Insurance meeting. Mitchell County will be receiving a \$28,000 premium credit.

Matt O'Brien from NIACOG reviewed a draft of the Mitchell County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Joel Voaklander – Chair Board of Supervisors