

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

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with Paulus and Voaklander present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Ginger Thompson and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to delete VBC update and include sign posts and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk reported that the tree and the fire issue have been resolved. Mitchell County will not be a part of the Upper Iowa Watershed. The 28E group is not asking Mitchell County to be a member.

Osage Legion members Bob Onken and Ed Parcel made a request to hold a rededication ceremony of the Veteran's Memorial on the Courthouse grounds on Veteran's Day. Supervisor Voaklander thanked Bob and Ed for appearing before the Board with their request. Consensus to allow the ceremony to take place.

Supervisor Walk arrived at 8:40 a.m.

E911 Director Ginger Thompson and County Engineer Rich Brumm discussed the purchase of signs and posts for the rural intersections. At the October 27th BOS meeting the Board recommended that E911 pay the invoice. Ginger read a copy of a Resolution from September of 2008 stating that E911 will not have to pay for the road signs in the future. Ginger stated that she can't pay for this from surcharge funds. These will continue to be paid from the Rural Basic Fund. Ginger will check on a grant to help pay for the signs.

County Engineer Brumm has the contract from Willow Creek Ag Services, Inc. DBA Klapperich Farm Systems for the St. Ansgar shop building. Reviewed color samples for the outside of the building. Hawaiian blue was selected. Roads department is getting the equipment ready for winter. 500 ton of salt is coming and there is room for another 500 ton.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the October 27th and 29th meetings. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to authorize the Chair to sign the Amended Professional Services Agreement with FEH Associates, Inc. for the Courthouse garage. The amendment amounts to an additional \$25,100 for the design of the garage. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on a meeting for the punch list for the Courthouse and the Economic Development and the County Social Services meetings. Walk reported on the NIACOG and Paulus on the NIVC meeting. Received a manure management plan update from Gary Moore.

Meeting recessed at 9:20 and reconvened at 9:30.

Rural Library Reps Barb Klapperich from Stacyville. Syd Heimer from Osage and Marsha Kuntz from St. Ansgar gave a library report for the past year. The reps stated that the number of public coming thru their doors is up but circulation is down. Wireless usage is way up. The reps also made a FY 16-17 budget request to the BOS. The request is

for a 4% increase. This would make their asking total to be \$128,636.00. The Board said they will take the request under consideration during the budget meetings in January.

Meeting adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Shannon Paulus – Chair Board of Supervisors