

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, July 5, 2016

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Russ Brandau and Ethan Stoetzer (Media). Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to delete consideration of bids for short term financing and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk discussed public notice procedures in regards to what signifies a notice to a county property owner. Discussed placing firearms in county courthouse offices and 2nd Amendment rights. Supervisor Paulus stated she is totally against having guns in the offices. No action was taken. Discussed procedures to sell the old secondary roads department shop building in St. Ansgar. Set Monday, September 12th at 5:00 p.m. as the date and time to auction off the building. Public inspection will be at 4:00.

Courthouse Custodian Dave Hartogh stated that there are issues with the courthouse security cameras and lenses. He has requested that warranty work be done by the company who sold us the cameras. Nothing is being done by the company. County Attorney will draft a letter to Henkel Construction stating that unless the work isn't done and to our satisfaction the county will hold payment back for the remaining retainage money.

Osage Public Works Director Jerry Dunlay reported that the scrubbers for the pretreatment odor control project arrived last week and will be installed the week of July 11th.

Sheriff Greg Beaver gave a department update. The weekend of the 4th went well.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve the minutes of the June 28th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Paulus, second by Voaklander to approve contributing \$500.00 to the annual St. Ansgar Herb Fest on July 16th. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the asbestos removal from the Annex building. Walk reported on a conference call for a possible natural gas line. A joint meeting with the Worth County BOS, Economic Development Directors, financial advisors and a natural gas representative is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. August 2nd during the normal Mitchell County BOS meeting.

Meeting recessed at 9:11 a.m. Reconvened at 10:13 a.m.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reported that he had received two truck quotes. Nuss Trucks is offering the best trade in. Action on the quotes will be taken at the July 12th BOS meeting. Discussed a contract agreement for the State Line railroad crossing southwest of Lyle, MN. (Supervisor Paulus left the meeting at 10:30 for an appointment) Rich stated there is a Federal Program available to assist with funding. The Federal Program would pay 60%, County would pay 20% and the Railroad would pay the remaining 20%. Unfortunately the Federal Program is eight years out. Rich will contact the railroad company about the project. Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Stan Walk - Chair Board of Supervisors