

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

Tuesday, March 8, 2016

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Russ Brandau, Jackson Steinberg, Betty McCarthy and Chrystal Berche (Media). Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Tom Madden stated that he will be canvassing contractors this week regarding the upcoming pretreatment plant project.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve the minutes of the March 1st meeting with a change. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reported on bridges in the county. Some of the bridges may be posted for weight limits. The sides of the new St. Ansgar shop building are now enclosed.

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

Sheriff Greg Beaver introduced Jackson Steinberg as a new Mitchell County Deputy Sheriff.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the North Iowa Community Action audit meeting and Walk reported on a gas line meeting. Discussed the schedule for the construction of a courthouse maintenance building. FEH Associates prepared the project schedule. Discussed the bidding process and getting local construction firms to bid on the project.

At 9:03 the Chair opened the public hearing on the proposed FY 2017 Mitchell County budget. Present were County department heads. Deputy Auditor Barb Baldwin reviewed the published budget figures. At 9:10 a.m. the Chair opened the public hearing to the public. The Chair asked if there were any oral or written public comments received prior to the public hearing. Supervisor Voaklander had a written note from a constituent asking if the new construction at the Absolute Ethanol Plant is taxable. Betty McCarthy inquired about the county levies. Russ Brandau asked about debt service. Public hearing was closed at 9:22 a.m.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve the FY 2017 Mitchell County Budget. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Stan Walk – Chair Board of Supervisors