

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

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Paulus, second by Voaklander to delete meet with Duane Tesch and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Osage Municipal Utilities General Manager Josh Byrnes reported on a proposed fiber line coming to Osage coming from Minnesota. Josh asked for approval to use County right of ways for the fiber line. County Engineer Brumm had no negative comments regarding the use of the County's right of way. Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve the request pending a final report from OMU's Engineer. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Tom Madden stated that the Valent pretreatment project is winding down. Doing an air study.

Sheriff Greg Beaver discussed law enforcement contracts and an upcoming claim for an upgrade for smaller fire arms for his department.

County Engineer Rich Brumm stated that the roads department is getting the snow equipment ready. Fuel tank is set at the St. Ansgar shop site. Discussed equipment and the culvert on 440th Street.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve the minutes of the November 8th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Paulus, second by Voaklander to approve placing \$5,080.03 in the Conservation Land Acquisition and Capital Improvement Fund \$272.73 from Land Restitution and \$4,815.30 from Whitetails Unlimited. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Supervisor Voaklander reviewed quotes for ramp supports \$6,517.00, an oak podium \$2,760.00 and four storage cabinets \$7,950.00 for the Courtroom. Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to approve the quotes from RCS Millwork, L.C. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the FMC Landfill meeting, Paulus reported on the NCRERC and the NIVC meeting and Walk reported on Conservation and NIACOG meetings. The BOS is seeking a person with business knowledge to serve on the NIACOG Board.

The Board became a board of canvassers and proceeded to canvas the votes of the General Election held November 8, 2016. It was found that candidates received votes for County offices as follows:

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| Stan Walk      | Republican Supervisor District 2 4 year term | 1,509 votes |
| Lowell Tesch   | Republican Auditor 4 year term               | 4,801 votes |
| Gregory Beaver | Republican Sheriff 4 year term               | 4,878 votes |
| Jean A. Brumm  | Hospital Trustee 6 year term                 | 4,289 votes |

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| John Lessard        | Hospital Trustee 6 year term                       | 3,174 votes |
| Eric Jellum         | Soil & Water District Commissioner 4 year term     | 3,315 votes |
| Dale F. Hemann      | Soil & Water District Commissioner 4 year term     | 3,812 votes |
| C. John Schwarck    | Soil & Water District Commissioner 4 year term     | 3,266 votes |
| Denise Gerdts       | Ag Extension Council 4 year term                   | 3,608 votes |
| Cindy Klaes         | Ag Extension Council 4 year term                   | 3,493 votes |
| Marlene Norby       | Ag Extension Council 4 year term                   | 3,494 votes |
| Trever Olsen        | Ag Extension Council 4 year term                   | 3,372 votes |
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| Randy R. Richardson | Riceville School Board to fill vacancy             | 114 votes   |
| Jeff Kuhlars        | Rudd, Rockford, Marble Rock School to fill vacancy | 3 votes     |
| Janette Lien        | Rudd, Rockford, Marble Rock School to fill vacancy | 3 votes     |
| Donna Brumm         | St. Ansgar School Board to fill vacancy            | 1,500 votes |
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| Township Trustees   |  |             |
| Ronald Valasek      | Burr Oak 4 year term                               | 96 votes    |
| Gerrid Mellmann     | Cedar 4 year term                                  | 305 votes   |
| Herbert Johanns     | Douglas 4 year term                                | 127 votes   |
| Richard Wright      | East Lincoln 4 year term                           | 52 votes    |
| Lee Newton          | Jenkins 4 year term                                | 112 votes   |
| Richard J. Havlovic | Liberty 4 year term                                | 91 votes    |
| Kevin Alan Koster   | Mitchell 4 year term                               | 109 votes   |
| Donnie Thorson      | Newburg 4 year term                                | 149 votes   |
| John Brandau        | Osage 4 year term                                  | 1 vote      |
| Kurt Meyer          | Otranto 4 year term                                | 148 votes   |
| Craig Tesch         | Rock 4 year term                                   | 4 votes     |
| John Groth          | St. Ansgar 4 year term                             | 150 votes   |
| Norbert A. Hemann   | Stacyville 4 year term                             | 111 votes   |
| Allen Hofland       | Union 4 year term                                  | 109 votes   |
| Philip Jensson      | Wayne 4 year term                                  | 54 votes    |
| Daniel J. Lewis     | West Lincoln 4 year term                           | 68 votes    |

Motion by Voaklander, second by Paulus to accept the canvas of votes for the General Election and to sign the

abstracts. Roll call vote: all ayes.  
Meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Stan Walk - Chair Board of Supervisors