

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also, present were Paul Boerjan, Rich Brumm, Chuck Pajer, Brent Chapman, Greg Beaver, Austin Walk, Sheri Penney, Keith Horgen, William Baresel, Randy Conrad, and Lindsay Uhlenhopp. Due to COVID 19 the meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Wherry, second by Hendrickson to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Mayer, second by Frein to approve the minutes of the November 1st meeting and claims. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Attorney Walk discussed an inquiry from Vaun Hansen wanting to widen a driveway in the County's right of way. Attorney Walk stated Russ Kephart was written ticket and the hearing will be in December. Walk stated 400th Street by Walnut Avenue has not been abandoned and if the property owners would like the road abandoned, they will need to contact their attorney to start the process. Attorney Walk suggested MCEDC to discontinue the 28E agreement and continue as a 501(c)3.

Motion by Wherry, second by Smolik to approve William P. Baresel as the appointed Assistant County Attorney beginning December 26, 2021. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Sheriff Beaver stated a deputy was bit by a dog and another deputy hit a deer. Beaver mentioned there will be some claims coming due to a deputy being in Chicago for an investigation. Supervisor Frein reported Kephart having junk on top of the Alliant Energy pole again.

Motion by Hendrickson, second by Frein to approve the Weed Commissioner's Annual Report. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Frein, second by Hendrickson to approve Brent Chapman as the new Weed Commissioner. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Engineer Rich Brumm discussed funding for the Hickory Avenue and Kirkwood Avenue projects. Motion by Wherry, second by Frein to use TIF funding. Roll call vote: Frein, Wherry aye, Hendrickson, Mayer, Smolik nay. Brumm gave bridge updates and said the crews are blading and patching concrete.

Motion by Frein, second by Hendrickson to approve Liquor License for Veterans of Foreign Wars. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Items of Note: Wherry reported on North Iowa Port Authority, and Smolik report on North Iowa Council of Government. Mayer, Hendrickson and Frein had nothing to report. Manure Management update from Shoger Site. Keith Horgen suggested having the County Attorney contact City of St. Ansgar's attorney to explain the situation with the MCEDC 28E Agreement.

The BOS declared themselves as a Board of Canvassers and proceeded to canvass the votes for the November 2, 2021 City/School Election. The following were declared winners for the election:

Carpenter: Mayer two-year term: Eric Wilson. Council two-year term: Tim Johnson, Tom DeBower, Ty Peterson, Jerry Bublitz, Aric Finch.

McIntire: Mayor two-year term: Mark Kramer. Council two-year term: Ricky Derry, Dan Shane, Jared Stevenson, Jess Eastman, Jacob Miller.

Mitchell: Mayor four-year term: Pat Huebsch. Council four-year term: Kelly Ott, Roger Vance, Russ Weaverling.

Orchard: Council four-year term: Loren Wagner, Elaine Scott.

Osage: Council at Large four-year term: Ross L. Grafft. 2nd Ward four-year term: Rick Bodensteiner. 4th Ward four-year term: Larry Mork. Park Board Commissioner six-year term: Briana Howland.

Riceville: Council four-year term: Ivan J. Houser, Salvador Gomez, Kellie Daughtrey. Council two-year term: Luke Harken.

St. Ansgar: Mayor two-year term: Keith N. Horgen. Council four-year term: Michael Juhl, Ben Walk.

Stacyville: Mayor four-year term: Paul Halbach. Council four-year term: Roger Brumm, Alex Emerson.

Osage Community School District: School Board Director At Large four-year term: Kelsey Jensen, Ricky D. Sletten.

St. Ansgar Community School District: School Board Director District #3 four-year term: Tony Brown. District #4 four-year term: Matt Foster. District #5: Mary Lowana Hannam. District #6: Lindsey Falk.

Motion by Wherry, second by Mayer to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

Steve Smolik – Chair Board of Supervisors