

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, November 24, 2015

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Randy Conrad, Chuck Pajer and Jim Cross (Media). Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to add snow guards and to approve the amended agenda. All voted aye.

Discussed with County Attorney Mark Walk language for the ad regarding the trafficking of heroin in the County. Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve offering a \$2,000 reward leading to the conviction of the trafficking of heroin and to approve the ad subject to the County Attorney's approval of the language. The ad will be placed in the four county newspapers. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Discussed a request for an easement for a gas line from the annex to the building to the west on S. 5th Street. After discussion, motion by Voaklander to proceed subject to research by the County Attorney. After further discussion Voaklander rescinded his motion. The Board will inspect the area for the burial of the gas line after the meeting with the County Attorney.

Tom Madden reviewed a resolution accepting the Osage Wastewater Treatment Facility project. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve Resolution #949-15 accepting work for the project. Roll call vote: all ayes. After discussion, motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve Resolution #950-15 ordering bids, notice to bidders, fixing an amount of bid security, and ordering the Auditor to publish notice and fixing a date for receiving same, and for a hearing on plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of costs for the construction of the "Industrial Pretreatment odor control and process tank modifications project" for Mitchell County, Iowa. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Discussed with Sheriff Greg Beaver his request for an additional deputy. Supervisor Walk suggested to pay overtime for an additional court deputy. Greg has five full-time deputies and four reserves. Similar size counties will be researched on how many deputies they have before making a decision.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reported on a culvert project and an issue with one of the new motor graders. Rich is sending a letter to the manufacture. Discussed hiring more secondary road employees and purchasing a couple of excavators to upgrade county ditches.

Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to approve the minutes of the November 17th meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Bob Lincoln and Megan Taets, Coordinator of Disability Services, presented a more detailed job description for the Mental Health Advocate position. Megan is asking for more oversight for the present advocate. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve the job description and to grant more oversight to Megan. Roll call vote: all ayes.

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

Deputy Auditor Barb Baldwin reviewed the annual Tax Increment Financing (TIF) reports. Motion by Walk, second by Voaklander to authorize the Chair to sign the reports. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the North Iowa Community Action, Prairie Ridge and Economic Development meetings. Paulus reported on the Wellness meeting and the ISAC Fall School.

Discussed adding snow guards to the Courthouse roof due to snow sliding off the roof onto the sidewalk. Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to proceed with the snow guards on the roof. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m. Board met with the County Attorney at the Annex property and discussed the gas line. Consensus to go forward.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Shannon Paulus – Chair Board of Supervisors