

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, January 13, 2026

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also, present were Aaron Murphy, Greg Beaver, Mike Miner, Brandon Halsne, Rich Brumm, Shannon Paulus, Tom Rolfes, Colleen Tucker, David Sveum, Pat Mackin, Max Brandau, Caitlin Golle, Dee Urbatsch, Diane Gasteiger, Ron Gasteiger, Ashlie Sveum, Gene Coudle, Della Coudle, Mike Gerdts, Roger Loden, Sandy Loden, Larry Hansen, Bruce Steinberg, Deb Freeman, Alexander Schmidt, Penney Morse, and Rita Dvorak. The meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Hartogh, second by Wherry to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Marzen, second by Hendrickson to approve the minutes of the January 2nd meeting. Roll call: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy had nothing to discuss.

County Sheriff Beaver announced his retirement on June 30, 2026.

Mike Miner provided an update after last week's Conservation Board meeting. Miner had an update on the water trail update, discussed fiscal year budget, and was awarded a DNR grant for TIS work at the Pinicon cabin and Historic Wildlife.

County Engineer Rich Brumm opened sealed bids for some used equipment. The dump truck was awarded to Ben Hartogh for \$1,250. The Chevrolet truck was awarded to Merlyn Hegland for \$1,738. Brumm has called the supplier on the new dump trucks, and one is expected in February, and the other late February or early March. The bridge south of McIntire will not be completed until spring due to freezing temps. Motion by Hartogh, second by Wherry to approve DOT Title VI Agreement and Assurances. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Marzen, second by Hartogh to Re-appoint Sandy Offen and Appoint James Meineke to the Board of Health. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Pat Mackin, Mike Gerdts, and Ashlie Sveum provided a presentation to show support of creating a setback and zoning ordinance for hazardous liquid pipelines. Motion by Marzen, second by Hendrickson to ask Planning & Zoning to work on a Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Ordinance. Roll call vote: Hendrickson, Marzen aye, Wherry, Hartogh, Frein nay. Supervisor Hartogh asked for Planning & Zoning Setback & Zoning Ordinance for Hazardous liquid Pipelines to be added to next week's agenda.

Auditor Foster had been asked about increasing the funding for care of graves for Veterans. Motion by Marzen, second by Hendrickson to increase maintenance of graves funding from \$5 to \$10. Supervisor Wherry clarified this funding is for cemeteries that cannot levy. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Marzen to approve Treasurer's Report for December in the amount of \$6,280,700.76. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Marzen, second by Hartogh to approve the Auditor's Quarterly Report in the amount of \$25,090.85. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motino by Wherry, second by Hendrickson to approve Recorder’s Report for December in the amount of \$11,767.18. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Marzen, second by Wherry to approve Resolution #1343-26 Authorizing Economic Development Grant Agreement with Stacyville Kids Care, Inc. Roll call vote: Frien, Hartogh, Wherry, Marzen aye, Hendrickson nay.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Wherry to approve Resolution #1344-26 Authorizing Economic Development Grant Agreement with City of Mitchell, Iowa. Roll call vote: Wherry, Hartogh, Frein, Marzen aye, Hendrickson nay.

Motion by Wherry, second by Hartogh to approve Resolution #1345-26 Authorizing Economic Development Grant Agreement with Faith Lutheran Home Corporation. Roll call vote: Hartogh, Frein, Wherry aye, Hendrickson, Marzen nay.

Wherry reported on NIACOG, Hendrickson reported on Shell-Rock Watershed, and Marzen reported on Conservation. Hartogh and Frein had nothing to report. Received manure management plan updates from Myrons, Prairie Echo Park, and First Klass. Penney Morse verified the master matrix would be on the agenda in January for approval and wanted the board to be aware of how residents are being treated by Summit. Colleen Tucker asked the board to reconsider zoning ordinance for hazardous liquid pipelines. Rita Dvorak sees eminent domain as a huge issue and notes zoning is where we can enforce rules. Liza Ritzert was available via “Go to Meeting” noting IUC decides if the pipeline is passed, state legislature decides eminent domain, and the Boad of Supervisors has control of a hazardous liquid pipeline ordinance.

Access Systems Leasing	Information Technology Ch	616.85
Adams, Tracy L	Mileage	235.69
Alliant Energy	Util	14.07
Amazon Capital Services	Supp	3383.45
AT&T Mobilty	Phone	467.05
Baer, Amanda	Phone	90.00
Betts, Haley	Mileage	272.16
Bissen, Krystal	Mileage	145.32
Black Hills Energy	Util	411.05
Bree's Tire Service	Serv	994.64
Brightree Home Hlth & Hospic	Serv	3173.84
Bundy, Kelsey	Mileage	108.15
Capital Sanitary Supply	Supp	611.49
City of Carpenter	Serv	148.89
City of St. Ansgar	Util	51.00
Continental Research Corp	Serv	550.87
Country Acres Hardware	Supp	922.34
The Crittenton Center	Serv	1446.15

Dakota Supply Group	Serv	449.10
DeMaris Hardware	Supp	50.81
Elan Financial Services	Supp	2405.78
Election Source	Supp	5494.32
Electronic Engineering Co	New Equip	5536.68
First Citizens Bank	Dues	250.00
Fox Rehabilitation	Serv	10185.00
Frontier	Telephone	861.22
Giles, Sasha	Mileage	59.92
Gillund Enerprises	Serv	276.00
Gordy's	Serv	58.19
Halfman, Deanna	Mileage	132.30
HealthCareFirst	Supp	644.12
Hegland, Merlyn	Phone	35.00
Hendrickson, Beverly	Twp Mtg	40.00
Hendrickson, Mark	Twp Mtg/Mileage/Phone	482.80
Hoff Celebrations-Champion	Serv	1800.00
Huber Supply Co.	Serv	119.40
I.S.A.C.	Insurance	7383.23
ICRA Melissa Bahnsen	Dues	350.00
Indus Mis, Inc.	Serv	3250.00
Iowa Dept. of Public Safety At	Traces	1278.00
IA Prison Ind	Signs	1080.00
Iowa Workforce Development	Unemployment	5598.00
ISACS	School	395.00
LJP Waste Solutions	Serv	272.80
Jensen, Karl	Twp Mtg	40.00
JM Tire LLC	Serv	3925.00
Johnson Oil and LP Company	Fuel	2143.85
Ketelsen, Jessa	Mileage	39.62
Kimball Midwest	Serv	3292.72

Klemesrud, Larry	Phone	210.00
Koster, Kevin	Twp Mtg	40.00
L. R. Falk Construction	Serv	9653.56
Language Line Services	Supp	40.70
Larson's Hardware Hank	Supp	3604.59
M.C.P.E.H.P.	Insurance	250.00
Malmin LLC	Serv	128.12
MCI WorldCom	Phone	13.13
McKesson Mediccal - Surgical	Serv	319.17
Mitchell Co Cons Bd	Equip	94300.00
Mitchell Co Econ. Dev Comm	Contract for Serv	24437.50
Mitchell County	Internal Loan	900000.00
Murphy, Aaron R.	Cty Atty Fees	19887.99
Newbauer Inc	Serv	431.25
NIACC North Iowa Area Communit	Supp	50.00
North Iowa Telecom	Phone	3114.35
Nuway/K&H Coop Oil Co	Supp	33.12
OmniTel Comm	Phone	700.93
Osage Municipal Utilities	Util/Phone/Internet	8718.96
Osage Oracle LLC	Board Proceedings/Legals	612.93
Osage Towing & Repair, LLC	Serv	94.37
Petro Blend	Serv	1485.01
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc. Reserve	Postage	2000.00
Pollard Pest Cont Corp	Serv	195.11
Premier Cleaners, Inc	Supp	118.60
Quality Traffic Control, Inc.	Serv	1460.00
Riceville True Value Hardware	Supp	65.93
S&H Environmental Services LLC	Serv	1100.00
Schulz, Molly	Mileage	220.22
Security Self Storage	Rent	550.00
Spahn & Rose Lumber Company	Supp	6.88

Stericycle, Inc.	Supp	36.92
Storey Kenworthy	Supp	115.37
T-Mobile	Supp	155.06
U.S. Dept of Agriculture Rural	Loan Pmt	1302.60
UMB Bank	Loan Pmt	300.00
Unity Point Health	Serv	210.00
Visual Edge IT	Serv	73.76
Water Systems Company Ecowater	Serv	19.66
Weber Auto Parts	Serv	1227.00
Webster Co. Auditor	Serv	188.36
Windstream	Phone	276.41
Wolff, Dawn	Mileage	176.75
Ziegler Inc.	Serv	18518.09

Frein adjourned the meeting at 9:36 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

Todd Frein – Chair Board of Supervisors