

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also, present were Paul Boerjan, Keith Horgen, Greg Beaver, Rich Brumm, Aaron Murphy, Karan Crilly, and Jennifer Backer. The meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Mayer, second by Frein to approve the agenda with removing item 8, Approve New Hire for Recorder's Office. All voted aye.

Motion by Hendrickson, second by Hartogh to approve the minutes of the January 17th meeting and claims. Roll call: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy stated he has not heard back from the City of Carpenter on the letter he sent. Supervisor Mayer talked with Carpenter's Mayor and they do not want any part of that letter. The mayor does not believe there will be a problem moving forward. Attorney Murphy does have a receipt of delivery from the termination of services for the City of Riceville. Murphy will be sending some emails with information he received from the County Attorney training he attended last week.

County Sheriff Beaver had nothing to report.

Auditor Foster had the petition in for the City of Riceville for a special election of their mayor. The special election will be held of February 28, 2023. The nomination paperwork is due February 3, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Voters may start turning in their absentee ballot requests now until February 13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Sheriff Beaver asked to not cut the pay for employees while looking at making budget cuts.

County Engineer Rich Brumm explained the amendment of the construction program is being done for the Rise grant with there being a different funding source. Brumm discussed the five-year program. Supervisor Hartogh asked about adding more flashing stop signs.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Wherry to approve the Secondary Road Construction Program amendment. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Mayer, second by Hendrickson to approve Michelle Russell to the MCEDC board. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Attorney Murphy was approached regarding a piece of land that was thought to be a part of a land purchase that was taken place. There was much discussion to sell this piece of land. The Board of Supervisors would like to have an action item on next week's agenda.

Karan Crilly discussed the St. Ansgar Heritage Association funding request. The heritage is in the process of moving back to the old location on Main Street with the rent going up at South Square. The St. Ansgar Heritage Association is asking for a funding request of \$4,000.

There was a lot of discussion of how to make the Main to Main event more smooth for homeowners this year.

Items of Note: Wherry reported on North Iowa Juvenile Detention, and ISAC Seminar, Hartogh reported on Safety, Mayer reported on North Iowa Long Term Disaster Recovery Committee, Hendrickson reported on ISAC Seminar, and Heartland Insurance, and Frein reported on FMC-DECAT. Received the December Clerk of Court report in the amount of \$2,008.36. Received a manure management plan update from Quad R Finisher Farm. Sheriff Beaver explained a mental health issue that happened last week and stated the CRC should reach out to RAGBRAI. Sheri Penney stated there are only 13 qualifying races for the Boston Marathon. Jennifer Backer said with the closing of state hospitals, there is more mental illness with no where for patients to go.

Motion by Mayer, second by Hartogh to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

James Wherry – Chair Board of Supervisors