

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with Smolik, Frein, Hendrickson and Mayer present. Jim Wherry was available on Go To Meeting. Also present were Greg Beaver, Keith Horgen, Chuck Pajer, Dave Falk, Tony Stonecypher, Laura Huisman, Jessa Ketelsen and Sammi Scharper. Due to COVID 19 the meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Hendrickson, second by Frein to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Frein, second by Mayer to approve the minutes of the February 9th meeting. All voted aye.

Attorney Walk mentioned Cody Smith would be available on the phone to discuss the Shell Rock River Watershed.

County Sheriff Beaver presented his report of fees collected for January for a total of \$6,099.72. Motion by Mayer, second by Hendrickson to approve the Sheriff's Report for January. All voted aye.

County Engineer Rich Brumm stated Fox Auction Company contacted him in regards to having anything auctioned off. Supervisors suggested Brumm take action on old parts, plow truck and possibly dump truck. Brumm stated the Iowa DOT is paving Highway 9 from Ulmus Avenue in Worth County to Glass Avenue in Mitchell County. The board agreed with Brumm to proceed with paving the gravel intersections with a cost of roughly \$40,000. Brumm noted if the commission approves the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021, Secondary Roads fund should receive roughly \$240,000 and the Farm to Market account would receive roughly \$76,000.

Motion by Frein, second by Hendrickson to redirect the remaining balance of Economic Development Grant for Commercial Constructive Incentive to Website Redevelopment and Marketing Plan. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Hendrickson to approve the Construction Incentive Program Application for Travis Sprung on a 3-bedroom duplex in Riceville for \$60,000. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Mayer, second by Frein for Mitchell County to be a part of the Shell Rock River Watershed board and Hendrickson to be the board appointment. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Laura Huisman and Jessa Ketelsen gave a Home Health update. Mitchell County is currently lowest in the state with a positivity rate of 1.1%. There are currently 1,358 citizens in Mitchell County that have been vaccinated by either Home Health or CVS.

Items of Note: Mayer reported on Conversation and an orientation meeting for Public Health, Frein reported on the Fair board, and Smolik reported on FMC Landfill and the Upper Wapsi Watershed. Hendrickson and Wherry had nothing to report. Received manure management plan updates from the Gieger, Sow/Litter.

Keith Horgen asked if the county plans to continue the Economic Development Construction Incentive, the board responded with being the developmental stage of revamping the program. Dave Falk was going to drop off information for the supervisors and county engineer regarding a different way to pave roads and possibly save money.

Meeting adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

Steve Smolik – Chair Board of Supervisors