

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with Frein, Wherry, Mayer, and Hendrickson present. Hartogh was available via "Go to Meeting". Also, present were Ryan Stephen, Jenny Backer, Mike Miner, Aaron Murphy, Tom Rolfes, Amanda Baer, Keith Horgen, Shannon Paulus, Ashley Rosendahl, Sam Hudson, and Mark Crawford. The meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Wherry, second by Mayer to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Frein, second by Wherry to approve the minutes of the February 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. Roll call: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy stated the Johnson Control bills have been taken care of.

County Sheriff Beaver was not available.

Mike Miner gave an update after last week's Conservation board meeting. Miner had a bike trail update, and the Historical Society had a blueprint of the building they are proposing to build. Miner stated there was preliminary discussion on property in Burr Oak for hunting. Miner said Osage Conservation signed an easement for Bennett Access. There is ash cutting being done in the parks. Miner had the board review cabin beds that need to be updated. Amanda Baer received the plaque for Wayne Frederick's family. Baer ordered postcards that will be going out in March for water tests. Baer created a spreadsheet for Milt Owen that shows the nitrate levels from the 250 tests done last summer. Supervisor Hendrickson explained Heartland Insurance's coverage on an accident that happens while an employee is driving their vehicle during work.

County Engineer Rich Brumm was not available.

Motion by Wherry, second by Mayer to approve Noralba Blocker as a Treasurer's Office clerk beginning February 26, 2024, at \$18 per hour. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Tom Rolfes discussed the City of Carpenter not having a place to put their brush. Motion by Wherry, second by Mayer to approve the City of Carpenter to put their brush in the triangle area south of the lagoons. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Frein, second by Wherry to change the Planning & Zoning Commission from six members to five members. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Sam Hudson with North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services explained Mitchell County's membership. North Iowa Detention Center currently has fifteen beds and Hudson always keeps a bed open for each member County.

Hudson said there is not much aggression as they have a lot of one-on-one attention. Hudson discussed the issues with juvenile's medication being shut off by insurance once they get admitted to the detention center.

Wherry reported on NIACOG Executive Board, and Mitchell County Soil & Water Conservation District, Hartogh reported on FMC Landfill, Mayer reported on Conservation, and Hendrickson reported on Iowa Workforce Development. Frein had nothing to report. There was no public comment.

Hendrickson adjourned the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

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Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

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Mark Hendrickson – Chair Board of Supervisors