

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Greg Beaver, Keith Horgen, Chuck Pajer, Dave Falk, Rich Brumm, Scott Sweet, Laura Huisman, Jessa Ketelsen, Kris Olson, Mike Patterson and Sammi Scharper. Due to COVID 19 the meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Wherry, second by Frein to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Hendrickson, second by Mayer to approve the minutes of the February 16th meeting and claims. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Attorney Walk explained Mark Ross and Sheriff Beaver agree Comisky property is in compliance with the zoning ordinance, and to consider it concluded.

County Sheriff Beaver mentioned there were a few weather-related issues on Sunday the 21st. Beaver said they will continue to monitor the Comisky property.

County Engineer Rich Brumm would like to add the older DOT bucket truck to auction. Brumm and all supervisors agreed to forgive the insurance claim regarding the accident on 465th street and Kirkwood avenue, and give the money to the family. Brumm said they received the final round of their salt stock for the year. Motion by Wherry, second by Frein to pave Foothill as currently designed, and Hickory and Kirkwood will undergo further design for future construction. Roll call vote: Frein, Hendrickson, Wherry voted aye. Smolik voted nay. Mayer did not agree.

The chair opened the public hearing for the proposed property tax levy for FY 21/22. The General Services requested tax dollars increased 9.18% from FY 2020/2021 and the requested tax dollars from Rural Services increased by 8.62% from FY 2020/2021. The chair and Auditor confirmed there were no written or oral comments received prior to the public hearing. The public hearing was closed at 9:01 a.m.

Motion by Wherry, second by Mayer to approve Resolution #1078-21 to levy the budgeted tax dollars. All voted aye.

Nate Summers and Scott Stevenson from DA Davidson were available on Go To Meeting to discuss the county's savings if we were to refinance the Courthouse TIF. Refinancing will be discussed at the next board meeting.

After discussion on a new County Maintenance Garage, there will be a team from the county that will check into utilities, garage sizes and prices. Once they have had some time, the ideas will be presented to the board.

Items of Note: Mayer reported on Conservation, Smolik reported on E-911 and EMA, Hendrickson reported on Heartland Insurance and Frein reported on the Economic Development. Wherry had nothing to report. Received the January Clerk of Court Report in the amount of \$1,709.12. Received manure management plan updates from the Wilt Finisher Farm, New Haven Site, Fitzmaurice Finisher Farm and Hemann West Finisher Farm. There were no public comments.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

Steve Smolik – Chair Board of Supervisors