

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also, present were Aaron Murphy, Greg Beaver, Justin Trees, Gregg Halbach, Ashlie Sveum, Rich Brumm, Tom Rolfes, Hannah Elliott, John Walker, Becky Murphy, Kaitlin Berg, Amanda Baer, Rebekah Barr, and Guadalupe Bandillo. The meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Hartogh, second by Marzen to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Wherry to approve the minutes of the March 17th meeting & claims. Roll call: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy had nothing to discuss.

County Sheriff Beaver had nothing to discuss.

Hannah Elliott stated Helen Burrington will officially be retiring at the end of April and she has posted for a part time position. Auditor Foster stated you can begin submitting absentee ballot requests today for the June primary.

County Engineer Rich Brumm is working on the DOT program and budget. Once that is approved in the DOT system, Brumm will bring it to the board for approval. Supervisor Marzen asked about the McIntire bridge. Engineer Brumm said they will be checking frost depth and contacting the contractor. Brumm noted blading will need to be done on detour routes.

Motion by Marzen, second by Hendrickson to approve Resolution #1354-26 appointing Justin Trees as Sheriff at 12:01 a.m. June 1, 2026. Supervisor Wherry stated both deputies are capable of doing the job. His concern was not appointing the one that wants the job, he has nothing against anyone else. Marzen and Frein agreed, with Frein adding he spoke with many employees, and they would like to have one change and move forward. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Frein to approve NIACOG working on a Data Center Ordinance. Supervisor Hendrickson wants to wait until the solar ordinance is done first. Amanda Baer stated the solar ordinance is a priority, the contract would lock in the price for the data center ordinance. Roll call vote: Wherry, Hartogh, Frein ayes, Hendrickson, Marzen nays. Marzen said she would like more support from legal.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Marzen to approve Clerk of Court Report for February in the amount of \$1,089.36. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Supervisor Wherry discussed needing an architect to look at the cupola if it will cost over \$100k. Hendrickson plans to meet with Randal Construction this week to see if it could be fixed for less than that. If Randal is able to look at this week, the topic will be added to next week's agenda.

Motion by Wherry, second by Hartogh to approve Johnson Controls Service Agreement and to be paid out of sub project fund. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Frein reported on FMC ECI, and Hendrickson reported on Iowa Workforce. Wherry, Hartogh, and Marzen had nothing to report. Received manure management plan updates from Jax Dairy Inc, Mark Theis Finisher, and Ruehlow II Site. Becky Murphy introduced Kaitlyn Berg from St. Ansgar High School who is doing a work base learning with their office, as she is interested in law.

Access Systems Leasing	Serv	547.25
Adams, Jessica	Well Closure Serv.	700.00
Adams, Tracy L	Mileage/Phone	225.97
AgVantage FS, Inc.	Fuel	3071.41
Alliant Energy	Util	36.20
Baer, Amanda	Mileage/Phone	98.68
Betts, Haley	Mileage/Phone	329.79
Bissen, Krystal	Mileage/Phone	318.26
Bundy, Kelsey	Mileage/Phone	44.08
CenturyLink	Phone	47.53
City of Carpenter	FM Extensions	280.11
City of McIntire	FM Extensions	350.51
City of Mitchell	FM Extensions	304.42
City of Orchard	FM Extensions	243.20
City of Stacyville	FM Extensions	895.52
The Crittenton Center	Serv	699.75
Dakota Supply Group	Supp	6564.21
Don's Truck Sales Inc.	Equip	179132.00
Douglas, Christine	Mileage	14.50
Elan Financial Services	Supp	1247.99
Elliott, Hannah	School	1106.31
Farm Bureau	Dues	60.00
Floyd/Mitchell Solid Waste	Serv	626.85
Frein, Todd	Mileage	526.75
Gardiner & Company	Serv	11438.00
Giles, Sasha	Mileage/Phone	115.91

Gordon Flesch Company Inc.	Serv	47.30
GreatAmerica Financial Svcs.	Serv	152.10
Samantha Groh	Mileage/Phone	126.06
Hackenmiller, Christine	Mileage/Phone	43.05
Halfman, Deanna	Mileage/Phone	56.40
Heartland Power Cooperative	Util	656.59
Hoff Celebrations-Champion	Serv	1800.00
Huisman, Laura	Mileage/Phone	55.38
ICEOO District II	Dues	30.00
Iowa Dept. of Public Safety At	Traces	1278.00
IA Law Enforce Acad	School	250.00
IA Prison Ind	Supp	272.80
Iowa State Assoc. of Counties	Dues	250.00
LJP Waste Solutions	Serv	620.40
Jim Roll Electric	Serv	1204.77
Johnston Autostores	Serv	418.27
Ketelsen, Jessa	Mileage/Phone	72.92
Kwik Trip, Inc	Supp	163.73
Larry Elwood Const Inc	Serv	54.22
Larson's Hardware Hank	Supp	18.00
Martin Bro Dist Co.	Supp	635.78
MCI WorldCom	Phone	13.09
McKesson Mediccal - Surgical	Serv	2363.43
Midwest Group Benefits	Insurance	304.00
Midwest Pump Works, LLC	Serv	833.99
Midwest Wheel Co.	Serv	716.49
Mitchell Co. Abstract Company	Serv	220.00
Mitchell Co. Reg Hlth-Hospital	Serv	115.00
NIACC North Iowa Area Communit	Supp	60.00
Norsolv Sys Env Serv	Serv	275.70
North Central International	Serv	185.07

Nuss Trucks	Serv	1780.58
Nuway/K&H Coop Oil Co	Fuel	44.03
Osage Coop Elev.	Serv	492.22
Osage Vet Clinic	Serv	155.00
Phoenix Supply	Supp	189.75
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc. Reserve	Postage	2000.00
Pollard Pest Cont Corp	Serv	56.47
Quill	Supp	58.78
Riceville True Value Hardware	Supp	6.95
Richardson, Randy	Supp	289.99
Schulz, Molly	Mileage/Phone	231.99
Sigler, Monica	School	34.53
Smart Pharmacy	Serv	220.26
Solutions Inc. Harris Local Go	Serv	2112.00
Spahn & Rose	Serv	23.76
St Ansgar Auto Parts	Supp	27.43
State Hygienic Laboratory	Water Samples	389.50
Stellar Truck & Trailer	Serv	5424.95
Tri-State Public Safety	Serv	1220.77
Unity Point Health	Serv	84.00
VEIT, LLC FDA: Visual Edge It	Serv	69.91
Verizon	Hot Spots	240.06
Wherry, James	Mileage	580.76
Windstream	Phone	189.97
Wolff, Dawn	Mileage/Phone	260.05
YSS of North Iowa	Serv	373.20

Frein adjourned the meeting at 9:16 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

Todd Frein – Chair Board of Supervisors