

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

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also, present were Tom Rolfes, Jerry Reshetar, Sue Horgen, Keith Pitzen, Max Brandau, Mike Gerdtts, Jenny Backer, Caitlin Golle, Mike Miner, Deb Freeman, Margaret Mayer, Amanda Baer, Penney Morse, John Walker, Lee Roe, Andrea Roe, Greg Beaver, Aaron Murphy, Rich Brumm, Ryan Stephen, and Kris Olson. The meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Mayer, second by Frein to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Hartogh to approve the minutes of the May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy no longer has a trial this week as it was resolved. Murphy will be making time this week to review the Wind Ordinance that was put together. Attorney Murphy stated there will be a grand jury for a case in Mitchell County, but the public will not hear much about the case. Law enforcement and the prosecutor decide on a grand jury or a trial.

County Sheriff Beaver will not be purchasing a vehicle for the jail staff but removing deals on the vehicle coming out of rotation. Beaver stated the Worth County inmates will start coming over today.

Mike Miner gave a Conservation update. Conservation has been busy with May and April field trips from the local schools and with May term. Miner stated stump grinding has been going on but will not be completed before Friday. Miner said some Wetland credits have been sold, Conservation Board has reviewed camera quotes and will be moving forward with a camera at the dam. September 11<sup>th</sup> they will be starting to draw down the Mitchell Dam, with prep work beginning on September 24<sup>th</sup>, and contractors on scene October 1<sup>st</sup>. The project should take two to six weeks to complete.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reviewed two quotes he received to replace the salt shed. Brumm will be touching base with the insurance company before moving forward. Brumm is going to use Overhead Door to replace three doors at the Riceville shop and four doors at the Osage shop.

Supervisor Hendrickson read a letter on behalf of the Board of Supervisors to submit to IUB board. Motion by Mayer, second by Hartogh to approve the Eminent Domain statement letter for IUB. Supervisor Frein has been doing through paperwork and is not prepared to give a yes or no answer. Frein is going into this with an open mind. Roll call vote: Hendrickson, Mayer, Hartogh, Wherry ayes, Frein abstained.

Motion by Frein, second by Hartogh to approve Resolution #1218-24 Carpenter Community Club Request of \$500. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Supervisor Hendrickson read the resolution provided by the City of Riceville for their proposal on a housing urban renewal. Motion by Wherry, second by Mayer to approve Resolution #1219-24 for 2024 Riceville Housing

Urban Renewal. In the future Supervisor Wherry would like to have a representative present from the city to describe what they from the Board. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Discussion on the current County liability amount. Supervisor Wherry would like a document stating what other counties have and their population versus knowing Mitchell County is at the low end. Supervisor Frein would like the amount that the County currently pays. The Board will take a week to gather more information and discuss next week.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Wherry to approve Mitchell County Courthouse Emergency Action Plan. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Wherry reported on Mitchell County Soil & Water District, Mayer reported on Conservation, and Hendrickson reported on Safety meeting. Hartogh and Frein had nothing to report. Margaret Mayer thanks the Board for submitting a letter to the IUB and consideration of landowner rights. Deb Freeman stated Summit Carbon Solutions made the request to use eminent domain, and they could rescind the request.

Hendrickson adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

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Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

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Mark Hendrickson – Chair Board of Supervisors