

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

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Casey Ketelsen, Rich Brumm, Keith Horgen, Greg Beaver, Shannon Paulus and Randy Conrad. 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 June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Attorney Walk was asked by Engineer Brumm what a property owner needs to do if they were to abandon a road. Walk suggested having a Sidwell photo and who wants the road to be abandoned. In the past, the property owner was to pay for publications and the attorney fees. This topic will be added to next week's agenda.

County Sheriff Beaver stated the city celebration for St. Ansgar is this weekend.

County Engineer Rich Brumm mentioned the city of St. Ansgar will be borrowing barricades for Saturday to help with the city celebration. Brumm updated on the paving project for Foothill Avenue, he stated they should be putting concrete on today, with hopes of doing 5,000 feet per day. The crew will keep the landowners up to date with driveway access. Brumm said the Bailey Bridge project looks to begin in July. There was a question to the roads blowing up. Brumm stated this has to do with joints locking up from all the sand in the winter and the heat expanding the concrete.

Motion by Mayer, second by Frein to approve Rich Brumm as the ADA Coordinator. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

There was discussion on Hickory and Kirkwood Avenue. Secondary Roads will work on minimizing the right of way, as well as purchasing right of way, while getting the existing ditch profile where they can keep it and keep the amount of culvert work to a minimum. No action was needed.

Motion by Hendrickson, second by Mayer to approve the Tax Abatement for Nancy Jane Gillen for a total of \$78. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Hendrickson to approve sending a Letter of Support for WHTC Application for Schulz Construction. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Frein, second by Mayer to approve the Employee Comp Time Policy that will employees to accrue up to a maximum of 80 hours of comp time with no end date. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Auditor Foster gave an update on a rough start date for the new electronic timeclock. Training is anticipated to be the week of July 5<sup>th</sup>, with an unofficial start date being after July 14<sup>th</sup>.

Items of Note: Wherry reported on a webinar on the American Rescue Plan Act and Smolik reported on Wellness, North Iowa Long Term Disaster and FMC Landfill. Mayer, Hendrickson and Frein had nothing to report. Received a Manure Management Plan updates from Liberty East Finisher Farm, Larry Bissen Farm, Wegner Finisher Farm, Blong South Finisher Farm, Carpenter South Finisher Farm and Blong North Finisher Farm. Mark Hendrickson asked Jim Wherry when the asbestos was going to get done at the County Care Facility, which Wherry is waiting to hear back.

Motion by Wherry, second by Mayer to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

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Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

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Steve Smolik – Chair Board of Supervisors