

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also, present were Paul Boerjan, Brian Lynch, Jason Penfold, Keith Horgen, Luke Porisch, Eric Onken, Doug Wright, Ben Buttjer, Luke Buttjer, Greg Beaver, Jenny Backer, Cindy Harris, Al Anhorn, Jessie Fisher, Kathy Showalter, Bob Muller, Scott Brandau, Kevin Kolbet, Roger Mayer, Chris Burford, and Aaron Murphy. The meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Hartogh, second by Mayer to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Hendrickson, second by Frein to approve the minutes of the July 5th meeting & claims. Roll call: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy is working on paperwork for the road vacation in Little Cedar.

Sheriff Beaver discussed Kephart pleading not guilty; Beaver expects the trial to happen within the next thirty days. Sheriff Beaver has received requests for dust control on 340th street. Supervisor Mayer attended the City of Stacyville meeting where they discussed traffic control for speeding through town. The city is still in favor of adding cameras.

Supervisor Wherry does not have an update on the ISAC review.

County Engineer Rich Brumm gave a construction update on Balsam Avenue. Brumm will be doing some dust control due to the traffic using gravel with the Highway 105 bridge closing. Engineer Brumm received a request to widen an intersection at 487th Street and Echo Avenue for a resident to move a trailer house. Brumm does not believe that is the taxpayer's responsibility.

Brumm attended the City of Stacyville's council meeting. The intent of the grant was discussed, costs for the city, and the timeline of the payment. The council was on board. Motion by Hartogh, second by Mayer to approve the 28E Agreement between Mitchell County and the City of Stacyville. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Jenny Backer discussed A to Z Drying's twenty-three-million-dollar expansion. A to Z Drying is requesting an 80% TIF rebate over 10 years as financial assistance with their IEDA application. Kathy Showalter went over the timeline to add the project to the Urban Renewal Plan. Jason Penfold thanked the Board of Supervisors for considering the rebate, and explained all the work A to Z Drying does with local contractors. Motion by Frein, second by Wherry to approve Resolution #1172-23. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Mayer to approve the Auditor's Quarterly Report in the amount of \$2,441.39 for quarter ending June 30, 2023. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Supervisor Hartogh asked if the board wanted to get on a half year schedule for the HR committee, or if they would like to stay on the current six-month schedule. The board agreed to finish the six-month schedule.

Items of Note: Hendrickson reported on Heartland Insurance, and Frein reported on Fair Board. Wherry, Hartogh, and Mayer had nothing to report. Kevin Kolbet thanked the Board on behalf of Osage Development Corporation for supporting A to Z Drying, as they are a crucial part of the County.

Wherry adjourned the meeting at 9:02 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

James Wherry – Chair Board of Supervisors