

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, July 16, 2024

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also, present were Shannon Paulus, Ryan Stephen, Rich Brumm, Tom Rolfes, Jerry Reshetar, Matt Pitzen, Keith Horgen, Aaron Murphy, Greg Beaver, Mike Miner, Cathy Penney, and Ken Pitzen. The meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Wherry, second by Hartogh to approve the agenda with moving items 11- Approve Treasurer's Monthly Report for June and 12-Approve Treasurer's Semi-Annual Report to the beginning of the meeting. All voted aye.

Motion by Mayer, second by Frein to approve the minutes of the July 9th meeting. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Frein to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for June in the amount of \$11,801.80. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Wherry to approve the Treasurer's Semi-Annual Report ending June 30, 2024. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy has court hearings this morning. Murphy discussed the change in Chapter 21 with hybrid meetings. Attorney Murphy believes hiring an HR attorney when needed is a good idea, but a reminder that every phone call they will charge for. Murphy believes HR attorneys are a good idea for any HR topics.

County Sheriff Beaver asked what to do about the abandoned vehicles at the Kephart property when a contractor goes in to clean up the property. Beaver will send abandoned vehicle notices for that property, and the code gives ten days for that individual to take possession again.

Mike Miner gave a Conservation Board update. The Conservation Board tabled the decision on Summit Carbon survey until the August meeting. Conservation is pricing flood repairs, moving forward on replacing the Conservation building roof, and acquiring a new piece of property with grant money. Director Miner stated a budget amendment will need to be made before acquiring that property.

County Engineer Rich Brumm is limiting blading with the current dust. Brumm is going to try to complete the St. Ansgar patch this week. Engineer Brumm said the t panels for the salt shed should be delivered in August and hopes to get the shed put up by the end of August. Brumm stated they may need to buy another cover.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Wherry to approve Resolution #1228-24 Setting Date for a Public Hearing on the Proposal to Incur Non-Current Debt for July 30th at 8:45 a.m. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Frein to approve Resolution #1229-24 to fix a date of meeting at which it is proposed to take action for the issuance of an Urban Renewal Tax Increment Note in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,430,000 for July 30th at 9:00 a.m. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

After discussion on the property quote form quotes, the board agreed that the contractor rewarded was to not touch any vehicles on the property until the Sheriff and County Attorney gave the go ahead. Motion by Mayer, second by Wherry to approve Mr. Auto Salvage to clean up the Kephart Property with a bid of \$52,148.96. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Mayer, second by Hartogh to table Hiring HR Attorney until next week. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Frein to approve Resolution #1230-24 to contribute \$3,100 to Healthy Harvest. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Frein to approve Resolution #1231-24 to contribute \$5,000 to RSVP of North Iowa. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Frein, second by Hartogh to approve Resolution #1232-24 to contribute \$9,154 to Elderbridge. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Mayer to approve Resolution #1233-24 to contribute \$1,000 to Crisis Intervention Service. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion Frein, second by Hartogh to approve Resolution #1234-24 to contribute \$2,000 to NIACOG Housing Trust Fund. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Mayer to table contribution to Central Iowa Tourism Region until next week. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Frein to approve Resolution #1234-24 to contribute \$9,000 to Mitchell Soil & Water Conservation District. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Wherry reported on Region 2 Policy Board, Hartogh reported on NIACOG, Mayer reported on Conservation, and Hendrickson reported on Heartland Insurance. Frein had nothing to report. Cathy Penney confirmed the contribution of \$9,154 was for Elderbridge.

Hendrickson adjourned the meeting at 9:33 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

Mark Hendrickson – Chair Board of Supervisors