

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also, present were Ryan Stephen, Jenny Backer, Keith Horgen, Aaron Murphy, Rich Brumm, Greg Beaver, Russ Brandau, and Rachelle Gatzemeyer. The meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Hartogh, second by Frein to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Hartogh, second by Wherry to approve the minutes of the July 16th meeting & claims. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy has information on the vehicles sitting on the Kephart property. Murphy stated they can be junked if they are not claimed. Supervisor Mayer questioned why not all board members were copied on the letter sent to Mr. Auto.

County Sheriff Beaver said he spoke with Matt Pitzen this morning and everything is clear on what he can and cannot take. Motion by Wherry, second by Frein to approve the Sheriff Report for June in the amount of \$2,711.42. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Ryan Stephen gave an update on CrowdStrike software and ensured that the County did not lose anything. Supervisor Wherry would like discussion and possible action on consideration of establishing a compensation board to be added to next week's agenda. Auditor Foster stated the Sidwell Portico website is down and they have been working on the issue since last week, with hopes to be up and running by the end of next week. Supervisor Frein picked up the Board of Supervisor's mail yesterday and has created a file with all the CO2 Pipeline mailings that were sent to the board.

County Engineer Rich Brumm is prepping for the salt storage rebuild. Brumm is continuing the rock run, blading when and where they can, and catching up on mowing. Brumm said the patch is done by St. Ansgar.

Supervisor Wherry explained Renee VonBokern is the current union representative and fields questions from department heads at no charge. If there is an issue that occurs, she would charge her \$150/per hour rate. She suggested if an issue needs more legal work, she recommends Ahler's & Cooney. Motion by Wherry, second by Mayer to approve Ahler's & Cooney on an as needed basis. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Mayer, second by Wherry to approve Resolution #1236-24 contributing \$500 to Central Iowa Tourism Region. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Auditor Foster explained \$317.14 was charged to the credit card to Law Enforcement Targets, Inc, as well as the bill being turned in and going through claims. Law Enforcement Targets, Inc returned the check after fiscal year end, and now needs to be approved by the board to be voided. Motion by Wherry, second by Hartogh to void a disbursement to Law Enforcement Targets, Inc. Roll call vote: all voted aye

Wherry reported on Mitchell Soil & Water District, Hartogh reported on Supervisor Legislative Meeting, Hendrickson reported on County Social Services, and Frein reported on Mitchell County Economic Development Commission. Mayer had nothing to report.

Hendrickson adjourned the meeting at 9:05 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

Mark Hendrickson – Chair Board of Supervisors