

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. The meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Also present were Aaron Murphy, Rich Brumm, Lindsey Falk, Amanda Baer, Penney Morse, and Keith Horgen. Motion by Frein, second by Hendrickson to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Marzen to approve the minutes of the October 21st & October 23rd meeting and claims. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy had nothing to discuss.

County Sheriff Beaver was not available.

Auditor Foster reminded the board the next two meetings will be on November 3rd and November 12th.

County Engineer Rich Brumm said the paving projects are complete. Brumm stated the trucks should be here in January or February. Engineer Brumm provided an update on the bridge south of McIntire, being 80% paid for. Brumm has signed a contract with Purple Wave to sell equipment.

Motion by Frein, second by Wherry to approve Resolution #1324-25 setting the date for public hearings on the proposal to enter into a General Obligation Urban Renewal Agreement and to borrow money thereunder for November 18th at 8:45 a.m. Supervisor Marzen said she is opposed to the use of TIF for potential Faith Lutheran Home and costs of Otranto park, and noted there are no road projects. Roll call vote: Hartogh, Frein, Wherry ayes, Marzen, Hendrickson nays.

Motion by Wherry, second by Marzen to appoint Jean Swenson as the Rural Rep for the Osage Library Board. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Auditor Foster received a call from Chris Nelson. Nelson Media has purchased the Mitchell County Press News and plans to focus the paper on the City of Osage and believes every county seat should have a newspaper in town. The name will change in early 2026 to The Osage Oracle.

Motion by Marzen, second by Wherry to approve Resolution #1325-25 setting public hearing date for Ordinance 63 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MITCHELL COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE 17) MAKING REVISIONS REGARDING WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEMS (WECS) AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS (BESS). Roll call vote: Frein, Wherry, Hartogh, Marzen aye, Hendrickson nay.

Marzen reported on Central Iowa Juvenile Detention-to be noted their FY23 audit is completed, and Hendrickson reported on County Social Services and Heartland Insurance. Wherry, Hartogh, and Frein had nothing to report. Lindsey Falk has been approached regarding the purchase of the Press News and how that will affect the EJ, stating the EJ will continue to be a full County newspaper, and if anyone has cool articles, they are to contact Val. Falk asked if the Faith Lutheran Home money would be contingent on what they raise. Falk noted nursing homes are very important, but questions how much taxpayers should be involved. Supervisor Wherry stated the money would not be paid until substantial completion. Supervisor Frein added that the fundraising for Faith Lutheran has been very slow. Penney Morse stated she likes to see the board is on top of ordinances instead of waiting until after the fact.

Access Systems	Office Supplies	759.16
Adams, Tracy L	Mileage	279.79
AgVantage FS, Inc.	Fuel	3622.71
Alliant Energy	Util	14.37
Austin Office Products	Supp	203.33
Baer, Amanda	Mileage	57.30
Betts, Haley	Mileage	237.23
Bissen, Krystal	Mileage	148.96
Boerjan, Theresa	Mtg/Mileage	51.80
Bundy, Kelsey	Mileage	56.70
Bushbaum Services, LLC	Serv	334.40
CenturyLink	Phone	47.53
Cerro Gordo Co. Public Health	Serv	25.00
City of Carpenter	FM Extensions	329.67
City of McIntire	FM Extensions	412.53
City of Mitchell	FM Extensions	358.29
City of Orchard	FM Extensions	286.24
City of Stacyville	FM Extensions	1047.62
Column Software PBC	Board Proceedings/Legals	467.37
Cooper's Osage Auto	Serv	90.00
Core & Main LP	Serv	2506.00
Counsel, Bob	Well Closure Serv.	388.76
Croghan + Russell, CPA, PC	Serv	3475.00
Crowe, Kevin	Serv	200.00
Dorsey & Whitney LLP Attorneys	Serv	25000.00
Dvorak, Rita	Mtg/Mileage	29.40
Elan Financial Services	Supp	248.48
Election Source	Supp	9548.00
Enterprise Media Group LLC	Board Proceedings/Legals	1131.08
Floyd/Mitchell Solid Waste	Serv	450.45
Frontier	Phone	224.01
GFC Leasing - WI	Serv	102.18

Giles, Sasha	Mileage	36.75
Goodale Custom Pumping	Serv	300.00
Gordon Flesch Company Inc.	Serv	47.00
GreatAmerica Financial Svcs.	Serv	143.13
Groh, Andrew	Mtg/Mileage	49.00
Halfman, Deanna	Mileage	95.90
HealthCareFirst	Supp	651.53
Hemann, William	Twp Mtg	40.00
Hemann, John	Mtg/Mileage	50.40
Hosmer, Beyonca	Mileage	9.10
Huisman, Laura	Mileage/Postage	94.31
IEHA	School	80.00
LJP Waste Solutions	Serv	698.00
Johnson Controls Sec. Solution	Serv	5486.25
Ketelsen, Jessa	Mileage	178.92
Klapperich Farm Systems	Serv	28.29
Kleemesrud, Larry	Mileage	238.50
Kwik Trip, Inc	Supp	438.56
L. R. Falk Construction	Serv	15031.97
Larson's Hardware Hank	Supp	79.90
M.C.P.E.H.P.	Insurance-County Share	15000.00
Mail Services, L.L.C	Serv	473.06
Township	Twp Mtg	40.00
Marketplace Media Company	Serv	379.00
Martin Bro Dist Co.	Supp	1317.86
Mayer, Roger	Mtg/Mileage	14.00
McKenna, Jason	Home Base Iowa	1000.00
McKesson Mediccal - Surgical	Serv	228.14
Midwest Group Benefits	Insurance	320.00
Mitchell, Karla	Mtg/Mileage	37.10
Moody, Gary	Mtg/Mileage	5.60
No. IA Media Grp,Inc	Board Proceedings/Legals	20.00

North Iowa Telecom	Phone	39961.90
Nuway/K&H Coop Oil Co	Fuel	43.97
Osage Auto Body	Serv	298.08
Osage Towing & Repair, LLC	Serv	119.76
Patterson, Austin	Rent Pmt	650.00
Pickar Plmb & Heat	Serv	968.72
Pollard Pest Cont Corp	Serv	54.30
Quill	Supp	31.79
S & S Meats & Spirits	Supp	77.79
Schaefer, Jacob	Well Closure Serv.	700.00
Schafer-Smith, Pam	Mtg/Mileage	25.20
Schorg, Goerge	School	249.36
Schroeder, Nancy	Mileage	7.70
Schulz, Molly	Mileage	161.35
Sigler, Monica	School	376.49
Solutions Inc. Harris Local Go	Serv	230.59
Tesch, Lorie J.	Mtg/Mileage	53.90
Verizon	Hot Spots/Phone	383.52
Water Systems Company Ecowater	Serv	19.66
Wolff, Dawn	Mileage	114.39

Hartogh adjourned the meeting at 8:47 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

Sydney Hartogh – Chair Board of Supervisors