PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, December 5, 2023

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Rich Brumm, Aaron Murphy, Amanda Baer, Keith Horgen, Kathy Showalter, Ron Fiscus, Jenny Backer, Russ Brandau, Barb Klapperich, Betty Morse, Syd Heimer, Marsha Kuntz, Beth Levan, and Jerry Brandau. The meeting was made available by video via "Go to Meeting". Motion by Mayer, second by Hartogh to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Hendrickson, second by Frein to approve the minutes of the November 28th meeting. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy stated we are waiting for time to pass on the Kephart case.

Sheriff Beaver was not available.

Amanda Baer stated that a Planning & Zoning Commission board member has resigned from their position. Baer hopes the Board of Supervisors can find a replacement as soon as possible with the wind turbine project going on. Auditor Foster stated budget worksheets will be going out this week and need to be returned by the end of the calendar year. Supervisor Wherry asked Supervisor Hendrickson about the Heartland Insurance meeting. Supervisor Mayer will be contacting Henkel about the cupola.

County Engineer Rich Brumm stated the bridge south of Osage did not make the cut for the RAISE grant. Brumm gave a Hwy 105 bridge update, with hopes of the bridge being open next week.

Motion by Hendrickson, second by Hartogh to pay the Solution IT claims through the IT department. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Kathy Showalter and Ron Fiscus with PlanScape Partners explained the services they can provide above and beyond Northland Securities.

Barb Klapperich, Marsha Kuntz, Betty Morse, and Syd Heimer discussed the library services done over the last year. Klapperich stated the libraries are asking for a 5% budget increase for FY25. The amount requested is \$173,376.

Items of Note: Hendrickson reported on Iowa Workforce, County Social Services, and Heartland Insurance. Wherry, Hartogh, Mayer, and Frein had nothing to report. The Clerk of Court Report for October was in the amount of \$1,287.86. Received manure management plan updates for Shoger Site, Gaskill Finisher, Iowa SelectLibassi Tip 16 Finisher, and Old Gestation Site. Russ Brandau thanked the board members that attended the meeting last Thursday.

Wherry adjourned the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

James Wherry – Chair Board of Supervisors