

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Paul Boerjan, Randy Conrad, Aaron Murphy, Rich Brumm, Keith Horgen, Jennifer Backer, Greg Beaver, Laura Huisman, Jolene Norby, Terri Tesch, Lowell Tesch, Sandy Offen, Brenda Miller, Amanda Baer, Shirley Penney, and Connie Jensen. Motion by Smolik, second by Wherry to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Hendrickson, second by Frein to approve the November 29th meeting minutes. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy stated their office will be busy with juvenile court on Thursday.

County Sheriff Beaver said their budget is in pretty good shape. Beaver will begin trial prep after the first of the year. Sheriff Beaver stated a bill for almost \$900 will be coming for a towed vehicle in a criminal case. Beaver is waiting to hear from the construction company to see when they will begin construction on the interior of the building.

Auditor Foster will send the agenda on Thursday, as she will be out of the office on Friday. Supervisor Wherry stated Trevor Olson will be the representative on the NIACOG Housing Trust Fund. Wherry discussed the delay on the generator for the Public Health building.

County Engineer Rich Brumm discussed the Balsam Avenue project plans to pave from Hwy 9 to Hwy 105. Brumm stated Mitchell County is a finalist for money in the bridge highway bill. Engineer Brumm will need to submit paperwork this week for the program.

Motion by Smolik, second by Mayer to approve the Federal-Aid Agreement. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Hendrickson, second by Frein to approve the final acceptance and payment for Hickory Avenue paving project. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Frein, second by Mayer to approve the adopt a highway policy. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Jolene Norby discussed the vetting program for Public Health. Laura Huisman and Shirley Penney spoke in support of Brenda Miller and Sandy Offen staying on the Public Health Board.

Jim Wherry is the NIACOG Board County representative. Brock Waters is the NIACOG Board city representative. Tracy Sharper is the NIACOG Board Economic Development representative. Jim Wherry and Keith

Horgen are on the transportation policy board. Sydney Hartogh is on the North Central Regional Emergency Response Commission. Jenny Backer is on the NIACOG Revolving Loan Fund Committee.

Motion by Frein, second by Hendrickson to approve Karla Mitchell as a Planning & Zoning Board Member. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Smolik to table appointing Public Health board members until next week. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Items of Note: Wherry reported on County Social Services, Smolik reported on Upper Wapsi Watershed, Mayer reported on County Social Services, Hendrickson reported on County Social Services, and Heartland Insurance, and Frein reported on FMC DECAT. Received manure management plan updates from Gaskill Finisher Farm, Iowa Select-Libassi Tip 16 Finisher, and Old Gestation Site. Keith Horgen stated people need to know why autonomous boards are needed.

Motion by Smolik, second by Wherry to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

Michael Mayer – Chair Board of Supervisors