

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, September 9, 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 Ryan Stephen, Tom Rolfes, Jon Christensen, Kaylee Gibson, Brent Niess, Betty McCarthy, Harlan Slaichert, Roberta Howard, Roxanne Wilder, David Sveum, Rita Dvorak, Lowell Tesch, Max Brandau, Sandy Loden, Roger Loden, Sue Horgen, Jenny Backer, Mike Gerdts, Deb Freeman, Penney Morse, Caitlin Golle, Leland Minis, Keith Horgen, Jon Walker, Aaron Murphy, Greg Beaver, Jackson Steinberg, Rich Brumm, Kevin Sprung, Deb Freeman, Mike Miner, and Margaret Mayer. Motion by Wherry, second by Marzen to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Frein, second by Hendrickson to approve the minutes of the September 2nd meeting & claims. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Attorney Murphy had nothing to discuss.

County Sheriff Beaver stated that their 2017 Tahoe has been decommissioned and ready to go to another County department. Beaver believes Conservation is interested in Tahoe. Deputy Jackson Steinberg introduced Xena and explained the extensive training they go through and how Xena helps the County.

Supervisor Hartogh asked for consensus on maintenance contacting contractors to look at the Courthouse columns. The board agreed to take bids. Supervisor Wherry talked about improving zoom meetings and working to have multiple screens. Shannon Paulus stated this week is the last week for the motorcycle course. Paulus thanked Public Health for accommodating her mother while receiving the flu vaccination. Supervisor Hendrickson stated the Globe Gazette had an article about the State no longer funding the childcare workers pay increase. Jenny Backer informed us that it was a three-year plan, and they have received the money for the three years.

County Engineer Rich Brumm provided an update on the bridge south of McIntire. Brumm will not be pursuing the bridge grant previously discussed, there was not enough time. Motion by Wherry, second by Hendrickson to approve Contracts for L-RRVRD- -73-66 and L-HMA2025- -73-66. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

The chair opened the public hearing at 8:45 a.m. for Ordinance 61. Supervisor Wherry received emails to support the ordinance, and questions from private utility and individuals on why the ordinance is moving forward. Supervisor Hartogh received email comments. Supervisor Marzen received emails and phone calls, clarifying this is a Right-of-Way Ordinance, not a CO2 pipeline ordinance. Supervisor Hendrickson received phone calls in support of the ordinance. Supervisor Frein received comments in support of both sides. Auditor Foster emailed out a few copies of the proposed ordinance, no comments received. Supervisor Wherry is not supportive of the ordinance, he believes it goes against Iowa Code. Supervisor Marzen believes legal counsel clarified the Right-of-Way ordinance follows Iowa Code. Brent Neiss with Carbon Solutions discussed setbacks and what that means for them, while providing his opinion this goes against what the State has approved. There were multiple citizens that thanked the board for holding a public hearing and are in support of the ordinance. The chair closed the public hearing at 9:05 a.m.

Motion by Marzen, second by Hendrickson to approve Resolution #1315-25 Waiving the additional hearings on Ordinance 61 entitled “AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A NEW RIGHT-OF-WAY CONTROL ORDINANCE TO REGULATE CERTAIN OCCUPANCIES AND USES OF COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY”. Roll call: Marzen, Hendrickson ayes, Hartogh, Frein, Wherry nays.

Motion by Marzen, second by Hendrickson to approve First Consideration of Ordinance 61 entitled “AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A NEW RIGHT-OF-WAY CONTROL ORDINANCE TO REGULATE CERTAIN OCCUPANCIES AND USES OF COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY”. Roll call vote: Marzen, Hartogh, Hendrickson ayes, Wherry, Frein nays.

Motion by Frein, second by Marzen to approve Treasurer’s Report for August in the amount of \$7,315,606.79. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Marzen, second by Hendrickson to approve Resolution #1315-25 Contract for Services for Mitchell County Substance Abuse in the amount of \$1,500. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Marzen, second by Wherry to approve Resolution #1316-25 to Exit Central Iowa Juvenile Detention. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Wherry, second by Frein to approve FY25 Annual Urban Renewal Report. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Hendrickson, second by Marzen to approve Recorder’s Report for August in the amount of \$7,224.41. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Frein, second by Hendrickson to appoint Laurie Tesch to the Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustment. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Wherry reported on NIACOG, Marzen reported on Mitchell County Public Health and telephone training, Hendrickson reported on County Social Services, and Frein reported on Fair Board. Rita Dvorak asked for clarification on the nuisances for environmental health and Social Services being redirected. Caitlin Golle confirmed there is only one public hearing for Ordinance 61, there will possibly be two additional readings.

Access Systems Leasing	Serv	594.24
Adams, Tracy L	Mileage	223.44
Ahlers & Cooney, P.C.	Serv	315.00
Amazon Capital Services	Supp	2723.09
AT&T Mobilty	Phone	461.35
Betts, Haley	Mileage	184.87
Bissen, Krystal	Mileage	257.53
Bree's Tire Service	Serv	174.27
Brightree Home Hlth & Hospic	Serv	3614.36
City of Carpenter	Clerk Exp	148.89
City of Carpenter	Serv	121.28
City of St. Ansgar	Serv	51.00
Coast to Coast Solutions	Supp	644.45
Column Software PBC	Board Proceedings/Legals	366.75
Continental Research Corp	Serv	248.59
Cott Systems	Serv	150.00

Crowe, Kevin	Serv	100.00
DeMaris Hardware	Supp	9.69
Elan Financial Services	Supp	1717.50
Enterprise Media Group LLC	Board Proceedings/Legals	665.49
Fox Rehabilitation	Serv	9765.00
Frontier	Phone	829.75
Galls,LLC	Supp	260.97
Giles, Sasha	Mileage	57.40
Gordon Flesch Company Inc.	Serv	6.81
Halfman, Deanna	Mileage	93.10
Haugen, Faye	Mtg/Mileage	53.00
Haugen, Matt	Insurance	686.00
HealthCareFirst	Serv	184.07
Heartland Insurance Risk Pool	Insurance	38905.52
Hegland, Merlyn	Phone	35.00
Hosmer, Beyonca	Mileage	18.48
Huber Supply Co.	Serv	119.40
Huisman, Laura	Mileage	47.60
I.S.A.C.	Insurance	8134.23
ICON Constructors LLC	Serv	25044.63
LJP Waste Solutions	Serv	154.00
JM Tire LLC	Serv	15844.80
Joens, Robert	Mtg/Mileage	53.00
John Deere Financial	Serv	346.57
Johnson Oil and LP Company	Fuel	618.97
KAM Line Hwy Mark	Serv	70172.55
Ketelsen, Jessa	Mileage/Training	265.28
Kimball Midwest	Serv	164.74
L. R. Falk Construction	Rock	404465.77
Larson's Hardware Hank	Supp	120.25
M.C.P.E.H.P.	Insurance	250.00
Mail Services, L.L.C	Serv	507.96

Martin Bro Dist Co.	Supp	270.18
MCI WorldCom	Phone	12.93
Murphy, Aaron R.	Cty Atty Fees	4210.34
Nixa, Teresa	Mileage	29.82
No. IA Media Grp,Inc	Board Proceedings/Legals	172.20
Nurses Prof Liab Ins	Insurance	131.00
Nuway/K&H Coop Oil Co	Fuel	21.58
OmniTel Comm	Phone	693.00
Osage Auto Body	Serv	1149.93
Osage Coop Elev.	Supp	192.86
Osage Municipal Utilities	Util/Phone/Internet	6508.86
Osage Towing & Repair, LLC	Serv	1459.37
Pollard Pest Cont Corp	Serv	70.11
Premier Cleaners, Inc	Serv	118.59
S&H Environmental Services LLC	Serv	1100.00
Schindler Elevator Corp	Serv	5384.74
George Schorg	Mtg/Mileage	25.70
Schroeder, Nancy	Mileage	18.20
Schulz, Molly	Mileage	159.18
Solutions Inc. Harris Local Go	Supp	3187.64
Stericycle, Inc.	Serv	36.92
T-Mobile	Phone	15.75
Thompson, Calvin	Well Closure Serv.	241.45
U.S. Dept of Agriculture Rural	Loan Pmt	1302.60
Weber Auto Parts	Supp	469.97
WHKS & Co.	Serv	2023.00
Windstream	Phone	86.44
Wolff, Dawn	Mileage	301.70
Worth Co. Engineer	Serv	722.50
Youth Shelter Care of N. Ia	Serv	1490.24
Ziegler Inc.	Equip	295910.18

Hartogh adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

Rachel Foster – Mitchell County Auditor

Sydney Hartogh – Chair Board of Supervisors