

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, April 7, 2020

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Casey Ketelsen and Tony Stonecypher. Due to the Corona Virus the meeting was made available to the public by video via "Go to Meeting" Motion by Smolik, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Walk, second by Smolik to approve the minutes of the March 31st meeting and the claims. All voted aye.

Discussed with County Attorney Mark Walk the County Service Building project. The County has received a letter of substantial completion from the Architect. Mark advised the Chair to sign the substantial completion.

Supervisor Walk reported that Cerro Gordo North Iowa Corridor is considering making funds available to businesses that have been affected by the Corona Virus. Walk asked the County Attorney if Mitchell County considered doing this would it be considered a public purpose. Mark stated that in his opinion this would be a public purpose.

Supervisor Francis reviewed the questions that Al Winters had asked from the FY 20/21 County budget hearing.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reported that the Roads department are doing patching on Indigo Avenue, blading and spot rocking the roads.

Mitchell County General Assistance Director Ashley Rosendahl gave a department update. Ashley is assisting with county residents who may be in need during this time.

Mitchell County Economic Development Director Tony Stonecypher reported on small businesses in the County who may be experiencing financial difficulties during the Corona Virus crisis. These businesses would be in the County's Urban Renewal Plan. Tony stated that funds are still available from Phase 1 of the Commercial Construction Incentive Program. The use of these funds would be for economic development purposes. Supervisors Smolik and Walk expressed their opinions on the use of County funds. Smolik is against and Walk is in favor of pursuing this. Tony said there are a lot of details to work out before anything is decided.

Items of note: Francis reported on the Iowa Workforce Development and State Workforce Development meetings. Walk reported on a NIACC presentation. Received Manure Management Plan updates from Borderline Buildings LLC Northeast Site and Southwest Site, Halvorson Finisher Farm, PLF Farm LLC, Sunner, Mark Theis Finisher and Wilt Finisher Farm.

After discussion, motion by Walk, second by Smolik to approve appointing Tracy Church to the NIACOG Board as a non-elected member. All voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Barb Francis – Chair Board of Supervisors