

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Randy Conrad, Judy Voaklander, Al Winters, Dean Pohren, Amy Folkerts, Jerry Dunay, Daryl and Lisa Johnson, Randy Johnson, Megan Taets, Kathy Showalter and Crystal Berche (Media). Motion by Voaklander, second by Smolik to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Smolik, second by Voaklander to approve the minutes of the November 27th meeting. Roll call vote: all vote aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk had nothing to report. Sheriff Beaver stated that a family member of Russ Kephart has volunteered to help him clean up his property in New Haven.

At 8:45 a.m. the Chair opened the public hearing on a proposed amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan for the Mitchell County Urban Renewal Area. The Chair asked if there were any written or oral comments received prior to the hearing. The BOS stated that they hadn't received any. The Auditor said he had received some oral questions. Dean Pohren asked how the parcels for the area were selected and what the process would be if someone would request to have their parcel taken off the amended plan. It was explained that some of the parcels were requested by property owners. County Attorney gave an overview of the amendment of the UR Plan which was approved March 20, 2018. After further discussion the public hearing was closed at 8:56 a.m.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Walk to approve Resolution #1021-18 Declaring a Necessity and Establishing an Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.4 of the Code of Iowa and approving the Urban Renewal Plan Amendment for the Mitchell County Urban Renewal Area. Roll call vote: Voaklander and Walk voted aye. Smolik voted nay. Motion carried.

At 9:00 a.m. the Chair opened the public hearing on a proposed development agreement with A to Z Drying, Inc. The Chair asked if there were any oral or written comments received prior to the hearing. The BOS and the Auditor stated that they had not received any. Dean Pohren asked if A to Z Drying was responsible for paying for any of these fees. Auditor Tesch said he would ask. Public hearing was closed at 9:01 a.m.

Motion by Voaklander, second by Smolik to approve Resolution #1022-18 for the approval of the Development Agreement with A to Z Drying, Inc., authorizing tax increment payments and pledging certain tax increment revenues to the payment of the agreement. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Tom Madden of SEH reviewed the Pretreatment Facility Air Permit Modification form. Motion by Voaklander, second by Smolik to authorize the Chair to sign the form. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Sheriff Greg Beaver discussed changing the status of Jeff Huftalin and Bill Mainprize from Deputy Reserves to Bailiff's. Motion by Smolik, second by Voaklander to approve the status changes from Deputy Reserves to Bailiff's effective January 1, 2019. Roll call vote: all ayes.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reviewed the County's 5 year road plan. A public hearing has been scheduled for December 18, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. to consider paving the following roads: Quail Avenue from 430th Street north to 465th Street, 3.5 miles; Hickory Avenue from Toeterville to State Line Street. 3.8 miles; 390th Street from Balsam Avenue east to approximately 350 feet east of Cameo Avenue and approximately 275 feet south of 390th Street on Cameo Avenue, 1.2 miles; Red Ball Road from 410th Street NW to the City of St. Ansgar, 1.2 miles; T34 from Mitchell Line Street to Lime Kiln Road, 3.6 miles; Mitchell Line Street from Balsam Avenue to T38, 8.8 miles. An overlay of T38 from the City of Osage south to the Floyd County Line is planned for the summer of 2019.

Paul Gruefe gave a presentation for Human Resources. The BOS is considering hiring Paul to review the County's employee personnel handbook. No action was taken.

Items of note: Voaklander reported on the County Social Services meeting and Smolik reported on the Substance Abuse Coalition meeting. Received manure management plan updates from Gaskill Finisher Farm, Libassi Tip 16 Finisher, Old Gestation Site and Shoger Site.

Motion by Smolik, second by Walk to appoint Joel Voaklander to the Mitchell County Board of Adjustment. Roll call vote: Smolik and Walk voted aye. Voaklander abstained. Motion carried.

Public comment: Supervisor Walk stated that the next Port Authority meeting is scheduled for December 13th at 7:30 a.m. in Mason City. Discussed the next Commercial Housing Program. To be noted that Joel Voaklander has talked to Osage Public Works Director Jerry Dunlay and Joel has things correct in regards to the Valent Bio Science Company. Dean Pohren asked Joel if the minutes could reflect that Joel has talked to the City of Osage that once the abatement is done with the A to Z Drying's new warehouse that they won't appeal their valuation.

Meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Stan Walk – Chair Board of Supervisors