

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Samantha Scharper, Dave Stauffer, Bruce Biederman and Mike Mayer. Present from the media were Steve Thompson and Savannah Howe. Due to the COVID 19 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 July 7th meeting. All voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk stated that the Sheriff's Department has written fifteen citations to Russ Kephart for his violating the County Junk Ordinance. Consensus of the BOS that is enough tickets written. Court date is in September for these violations.

Sheriff Greg Beaver presented his report of fees collected for June. Motion by Smolik, second by Walk to approve the report in the amount of \$7,613.44. All voted aye. The County Engineer is interested in purchasing the Sheriff's used truck. The Sheriff said the Blue Book price is between \$13,212 and \$15,391. He would accept \$14,302.

County Engineer Rich Brumm has offered Jackson Knudson a position as an Assistant Engineer with a base salary of \$62,000. Motion by Walk, second by Smolik to approve the new hire with a start date of July 20, 2020. All voted aye. Rich said there is only 1 mile left to do for the rock run. 390th Street from the Worth County line to Balsam Avenue has been paved.

Motion by Smolik, second by Walk to approve the renewal of a three-year Contract with Cost Advisory Services, Inc. pending a review and approval from the County Attorney. All voted aye.

Motion by Walk, second by Smolik to approve the County treasurer's Semi-Annual Report. All voted aye.

Supervisor Walk shared information about Prison Industries Portable Housing Program. The houses have 3 bedrooms and are 1,200 sq. ft. The cost is \$75,000 and will be delivered to the site. There will be an open house to view the houses on July 22nd at Newton and Walk plans to attend.

Items of note: Francis reported on the Heartland Insurance and Iowa Workforce Development meetings. Smolik reported on the FMC Early Childhood of Iowa meeting. Walk reported on the Transportation 21 meeting. Received the June Clerk of Court Report in the amount of \$1,161.81.

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 a.m.

Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

Barb Francis – Chair Board of Supervisors