

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MITCHELL COUNTY, IOWA

Tuesday, October 22, 2019

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Randy Conrad, Casey Ketelsen and Tony Stonecypher. Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the October 15th meeting and the claims. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

County Attorney Mark Walk gave an update on the Opioid litigation. Discussed a waterway issue in the St. Ansgar Township. County Attorney stated that the County and or the St. Ansgar Township Board don't have a duty to resolve this issue.

Sheriff Greg Beaver presented Life Saving Awards to Ryan Marzen and Brian Beaver for their heroic actions in saving the lives of two children who were trapped underneath a UTV on July 3, 2019. A number of people from the area were in attendance.

Sheriff Beaver reviewed the Sheriff Report of Fees for September. Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve the Report in the amount of \$6,286.04. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

At 9:00 a.m. the BOS opened bids for a 2012 Chevy Tahoe and a 1996 Dodge Ram pickup. There were eight bids for the Tahoe and 2 bids for the pickup. Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve the high bid of \$6,996.69 for the Tahoe from Merlyn Hegland. Roll call vote: all voted aye. Motion by Walk, second by Francis to approve the high bid of \$201.99 for the pickup from Tom Cummings. Roll call vote: all voted aye. There were no bids turned in for the Generac Standby Generator.

County Engineer Rich Brumm reviewed a quote for a 2016 CAT loader that has 4,699 hours. After discussion, motion by Walk, second by Francis to approve the Secondary Roads department purchasing the loader in the amount of \$102,500. Roll call vote: all voted aye. Rich stated that cement is being poured for the Stacyville Bridge and the Roads crew are doing patch work. Discussed mud being tracked on gravel roads from farm equipment leaving their fields. A motor grader will be sent out to scrape off the mud from the roadway. Discussed removing a stop sign and replacing it with a yield sign at the intersection of 410<sup>th</sup> Street and Timber Avenue. Also discussed putting up two street lights in Little Cedar. No action was taken.

After discussion, motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve setting November 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. as the date and time to hold a public hearing on the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost for the Mitchell County Services Building Public Health Remodel Project. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Walk, second by Francis to approve the Auditor's Quarterly Report of Revenue in the amount of \$192.00. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve the Recorder's Quarterly Report of Fees in the amount of \$23,156.31. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Items of note: Francis reported on a County Social Services and Heartland Insurance meetings and Smolik reported on the FMC DECAT and North Iowa Juvenile Detention meetings. Effective October 19, 2019, Lynette Kephart, R.N., received a year 3 salary step increase to \$30.47 per hour. Effective October 22, 2019, Jessa Ketelsen, R.N., received a year 1 salary step increase to \$24.69 per hour.

Meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Steve Smolik – Chair Board of Supervisors