

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

Tuesday, October 8, 2019

The Board of Supervisors convened at 8:30 a.m. with all members present. Also present were Chuck Pajer, Randy Conrad, Casey Ketelsen, Ron Mueller, Megan and Luke Porisch, Tim Schulz, Lindsey and Sommer Falk, Chrystal Berche, Tony Stonecypher, Jessica Marzen and Mary Pieper (Media). Motion by Walk, second by Francis to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

After discussion, motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve the minutes of the October 1st meeting and the claims. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Treasurer Shannon Paulus reported that Valent Bio Science Company had failed to pay their special assessment by October 1<sup>st</sup> due to the fact that it needed to be mailed to a different address. She had contacted the company and they paid their special assessment on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. She recommended that the BOS waive the late fee of \$16,132.00. Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve waiving the late fee. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Sheriff Greg Beaver reported that the Russell Kephart property in New Haven is being cleaned up starting today.

County Engineer Rich Brumm stated that patch work on the Otranto Bridge will start next week and work on the Stacyville Bridge is continuing.

Megan Porisch, representing the St. Ansgar Wee Saints Day Care made a request of the BOS to contribute \$150,000 towards their future expansion project. Megan stated that the Day Care Board wants to purchase adjacent land to expand their day care. Letters of support were received from L.R. Falk Construction, St. Ansgar Community School and the Economic Development Board. Discussed what other funds are being requested, grants, the need for day care, numbers for licensing and the use of TIF funds. Megan stated that they plan to request matching funds and to apply for grants. The BOS debated on the amount of funds that they would contribute. Motion by Francis, second by Walk to pledge in 2020 \$100,000 using Local Option Sales Tax funds. Roll call vote: Francis and Walk voted aye. Smolik voted nay. Motion carried.

MCEDC Director Tony Stonecypher reviewed the most current Commercial Construction Incentive Program request. Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve the request for the Tres Amigo's Restaurant building project. Roll call vote: Francis and Walk voted aye. Smolik voted nay. Motion carried.

Supervisor Francis has composed a letter that will be sent to Iowa Legislators Jane Bloomingdale and Waylon Brown expressing concerns about unfunded mandates. Consensus of the Board to send the letter.

Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve the Osage VFW Post 7920 Liquor License. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

Items of note: Francis reported on the Iowa Workforce Development meeting and Smolik reported on the Wellness meeting. Received manure management plan updates from Anders Knudsen, Merten Farms and Mosher Ridge.

Motion by Francis, second by Walk to approve appointing Chrystal Berche to the North Iowa Regional Housing Authority Board. Chrystal is replacing Marilyn Johanns. Roll call vote: all voted aye.

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Lowell Tesch - Mitchell County Auditor

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Steve Smolik – Chair Board of Supervisors