

September 18, 2017

The Mitchell County Commissioners met in formal session on Monday, September 18, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room of the Mitchell County Courthouse. Present were Chairman Jim Marshall and members Tom Claussen and Mike Cooper. Also present was Chad Hallack, KDNS Radio; and Terry Bailey, KSVV Radio.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the September 11, 2017 meeting and were approved as written on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Dale Housh, Public Works Supervisor, and Casey Fraser, Foley Tractor Representative, met with the commission regarding price quotes for a backhoe. After discussion, it was decided to purchase the Caterpillar backhoe from Foley equipment and keep the old backhoe as the trade allowance was not enough to trade in. Tom Claussen made motion to purchase the Cat 430F2 backhoe from Foley Equipment for \$116,758 with no trade. Mike Cooper seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote. Mr. Housh stated that there had been an accident with a semi-truck on the Hunter Road while they were mowing. No one was injured and the mower and tractor received very little, if any, damage. After looking for a belly dump trailer at the commissioner's suggestion Mr. Housh recommended the purchase of a 34' trailer from R&D Quality Trailers which was made into a motion by Mike Cooper at a cost of \$31,850. Tom Claussen seconded and the motion carried by unanimous vote. The commission recommended changing the wheels and tires.

Rick Horn, Emergency Management Director, reported on his trip to assist with hurricane damage in Houston, TX. He stated that the damage was unbelievable and described what duties he performed while he was there.

Fred Sibley questioned the commission about tall weeds along roads and the danger of deer jumping out in front of cars. The commission informed Mr. Sibley that mowing is currently being done around the county.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Jim Marshall, Chairman

ATTEST: _____ Chris Treaster, Mitchell County Clerk