

**May 15, 2023**

The Mitchell County Commissioners met in formal session at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, May 15, 2023. Chairman Jim Marshall and members Tom Claussen and Mike Cooper were in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the May 8, 2023 meeting were approved as written on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Emergency Management Director David Dohe was present to discuss the floodplain resolution. Dohe attended the Mitchell County Zoning Meeting to discuss the new floodplain maps. One question that the zoning commission had was if a notice would be sent to home owners that are not in compliance with the resolution. He has reached out to his contact at the Kansas Department of Agriculture to get clarifications on items that the commissioners would like to strike. The resolution needs to be printed in the paper 60 days prior to the maps taking effect. Tom Claussen said to make sure the fire departments have a copy of the new maps because they will be responding. When a resident gets a new address from communications, they will be directed to get a certificate from emergency management as to whether the property is in the floodplain. Dohe will return next Monday at 8:30 a.m. with more updates. The federal government pays for this program but individual contractors draw up the maps.

Marty Hernandez, Public Works Director, and Dale Lewis, Shop Foreman, requested a 15-minute executive session. Session was granted on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Mike Cooper per KSA 75-4318. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session started at 8:48 a.m. and ended at 9:03 a.m. with no decisions being made in executive session.

The moisture is not going down in the concrete floor of the new shop building. It was approved to purchase a sealer for approximately \$23,000 on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote. The sealer will be put on the floor so they will be able to put the epoxy down. The concrete has caused a delay in moving into the new building.

Mitchell County Clerk Heather Weston said that the filing deadline for City/School Elections and Extension Board Positions is June 1<sup>st</sup> at noon in the Mitchell County Clerk's office. As departments are starting to prepare budgets a question was raised as how to address wages. The commissioners said to leave wages at the same rate because we do not know how the valuations are going to affect the budget. They will be addressed later.

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Jim Marshall, Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ ATTEST: Heather Weston, Mitchell County Clerk

The Mitchell County Commissioners and Mitchell County Clerk Heather Weston met at the EMS building Monday, May 15, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. for an employee meeting. After a brief introduction from the commissioners the employees discussed the work environment at the EMS department. The meeting was adjourned at 2:11 p.m. and after a brief discussion the three commissioners and Heather Weston left the EMS building at 2:20 p.m.