

September 13, 2021

The Mitchell County Commissioners met in formal session on Monday, September 13, 2021, with Chairman Tom Claussen and members Mike Cooper and Jim Marshall in attendance. There were two guests in the audience.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Claussen and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The minutes of the September 7, 2021, meeting were approved as written on motion by Jim Marshall and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Cortney Murrow, County Health Administrator, brought the commission WIC Contracts with Ottawa and Jewell Counties for their approval and signatures. Contracts were approved on motion by Mike Cooper and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Superintendent of USD 273, Beloit, Jeff Travis was on hand to discuss issues with the recent COVID outbreaks in the area. Mrs. Murrow explained that the guidance between KDHE and the State Board of Education need to be more consistent with each other in their interpretation of what is required. There needs to be better communication between all entities.

Eric Hamel, EMS Director, presented his regular monthly report. He is going to get a quote from Demars Ambulance to compare with the bid he received from Osage earlier. Mr. Hamel requested, and was granted, a 5-minute executive session for non-elected personnel on motion by Mike Cooper and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session began at 9:05 and ended at 9:10 with no decisions made in executive session.

It was decided that none of the commissioners would attend KAC this year due to COVID concerns.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 on motion by Mike Cooper and seconded by Tom Claussen. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Tom Claussen, Chairman

ATTEST: Chris Treaster, Mitchell Co Clerk

The Multi-County meeting was held in Beloit in the basement meeting room at the Porter Hotel. Commissioners and Clerks from Jewell, Osborne, and Smith Counties attended the meeting. Kevin Mickey gave a short program on the history of the Porter Hotel. Cortney Murrow gave a presentation on COVID and Jeff Roberg discussed the ARPA Grant and plans to increase security at the Courthouse, Jail and Law Enforcement Center. Each County provided a short overview of recent happenings and events in their areas.