
FOR THE YEAR 2007
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
DECEMBER 26, 2007

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, December 26, 2007 with Ron Wetherell, Dean Schmidt, Mark Leeds and Jeff Simonsen. Terry Graybill was absent. Ken Ross of the *Chronicle Times* was present from the press.

MSP Leeds, Schmidt to approve the agenda and minutes of the previous meeting.

Willie Allbaugh, Quimby Fire Department Chief, met to discuss improvements they have been making to the Fire Station the last year and half. The extra rooms and space can also be used by the community when the current Community Center is busy or not big enough. Grant money from FEMA and USDA has made it possible to purchase equipment and make the building improvements, the department must contribute 5% to receive this money and that is done by fund raisers. There is a \$44,000.00 note from USDA used to update the handicap bath rooms, new kitchen and dining area. MSP Simonsen, Schmidt to allocate \$20,000.00 to the Quimby Fire Department from the County Betterment fund.

Dick Sievers, Mid Sioux Opportunity Director, met to discuss funding for the 2008/2009 fiscal year. Mid Sioux has an outreach office in Cherokee and serves many client needs in the County. The request remains the same as last year of \$7,500 for Outreach services and \$1,500.00 for family Development services.

MSP Simonsen, Schmidt to approve the claims as presented. A full listing can be seen in the County Auditor's office.

Lisa Langlitz, Community Services Director met to relate information concerns she has regarding the Title 19 Waiver program. The Department of Human Services at the State level is proposing cuts in funding to Counties due to a million dollar payback due the Federal Government.

Also a concern is billing county residents that have been court committed for substance abuse treatment. Cherokee County pays for 30 days of treatment at a cost of \$1,800.00 and then requests the client reimburse the county for that cost. The next step would be filing a small claim in district court against the client and is that worth the expense?

MSP Simonsen, Leeds to approve the entrance permit for G. Kai in Section 5 of Diamond Township.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Ronald Wetherell, Chairman

Attest: _____
Bonnie Ebel, County Auditor