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FOR THE YEAR 2007  
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK  
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA  
FEBRUARY 13, 2007

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The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, February 13, 2007 with Ron Wetherell, Mark Leeds, Dean Schmidt, Terry Graybill and Jeff Simonsen. Mike Leckband of the *Chronicle Times* was present from the press.

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

MSP Graybill, Schmidt to approve John Wibe, former County Attorney, as legal assistance to County Attorney Jamie Bowers in civil matters for an hourly fee of \$110.00.

Supervisors discussed a lease agreement for the gravel pit in Willow Twp. owned by the County with Bowers. The County ATV club has requested permission to use the area for an ATV riding area.

Dr. Tom Gary and Dale Sleezer, Jr. have filed a petition to the District Court naming the Board of Supervisors as defendants in the action of replacing them on the Board of Health because of residency issue. Bowers will answer the petition and hopefully the District Court Judge will make a timely ruling. Until then Gary and Sleezer will continue on the Board of Health according to the document. Auditor was instructed to inform Dr. Rice and Dr. Hiller of the appeal and their appointment to the Board of Health is void until further notice.

Connie Prunty, former DHS employee, asked to comment on the Public Health Department issue. Chairman Wetherell thanked her for her comments and will take them under consideration.

Mike Porter of Pride Group and Mark Buschkamp, CAEDC Director, met to give an update on the planned expansion at the MHI campus of remodeling a building for persons with disabilities. The State DHS department has been asked to make certain structural improvement to the Donahue building to prepare it for renovation by Pride Group owners. At this time Porter said it would be less expensive to build a new facility than to wait for the State to make improvements and renovate the older building. The Supervisors support the efforts of Porter and encouraged him to continue investigating other possibilities with MHI and plans for a new facility.

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

Review of the proposed 2007/2008 budgets continued until a noon recess.

Meeting resumed at 1:15 p.m. with continued budget review.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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Ronald Wetherell, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bonnie Ebel, County Auditor