
FOR THE YEAR 2007
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
October 23, 2007

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, October 23, 2007 with Dean Schmidt, Ron Wetherell, Mark Leeds, Jeff Simonsen, and Terry Graybill. Ken Ross of the *Chronicle Times* was present from the press.

MSP Simonsen, Leeds to approve the amended agenda and minutes of the previous meeting of October 9, 2007.

County Officers meeting was held:

Aimee Barritt, Emergency Management Director reported the county has the official Presidential disaster declaration and will be working on reviewing the county disaster plan.

Lisa Langlitz, Community Services Director has completed additional CPC training and appreciated the training now since she has been on the job about a year and things made a lot more sense. She is in the process of interviewing for clerical support.

Dawn Jones Coombs, County Recorder's office is busy with snowmobile and ATV registrations and licensing on the new state system.

Lynde Lundquist, County Treasurer reported that driver's licenses have increased and the revenue for the county has increased over a year ago.

Ginger Walker, Conservation Director reported that her crew is in the process of switching gears this time of year. There are still campers at Silver Sioux and water to every camp site has been completed. Remodeling is still being done to the Lodge walls; also they are installing new windows and insulation. The Lodge can be rented out for overnight and becoming popular. Right now the Conservation Board is focused on raising money for the land acquisition of 80 acres near Martin's Access. The horse trails at Martin's are being used for trail rides and the County 4-H Cavaliers club. Everyone is observing the rules and there are no negative effects of the horses on the trails.

Dave Scott, County Sheriff is obtaining bids for another patrol car. The officers have had a couple very interesting weeks.

Dan Thomas from Reliance gave a demonstration for the replacement of cameras in the jail. This is a 4416 Digital Video recorder for 10 cameras. The price includes a wireless keyboard and mouse for a total of \$7,280.00 for materials, installation and to train staff.

MSP Graybill, Leeds to authorize Sheriff Scott to make the decision for the system he wants to have installed in the jail.

MSP Simonsen, Schmidt to accept and approve the sheriff's quarterly report.

First reading of Ordinance 2007 – 001 Local Option Sales and Service Tax

An Ordinance continuing a local option sales and service tax applicable to transactions within the incorporated area of the City of Cherokee, the City of Quimby and the unincorporated area of Cherokee County.

Be it enacted by the Board of Supervisors of Cherokee County, Iowa:

Section 1: Local Option sales and service Tax: There is imposed a local option sales and service tax applicable to transactions within the incorporated area of the cities of Cherokee and Quimby.

The rate of tax shall be one percent upon the gross receipts taxed under Chapter 422, Division IV, of the Iowa Code in the City of Cherokee, City of Quimby of Cherokee County and the unincorporated area of Cherokee County.

The local sales and services tax is imposed on transactions occurring within the incorporated area of the City of Cherokee, City of Quimby and the unincorporated area of Cherokee County. All persons required to collect state gross receipts taxes shall collect the

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tax. However, the tax shall not be imposed on the gross receipts from the sale of motor fuel or special fuels as defined in Chapter 324 of the Iowa Code, on the gross receipts from the rental of rooms, apartments, or sleeping quarters which are taxed under chapter 422A of the Iowa Code during the period of the hotel and motel tax is imposed, on the gross receipts from the sale of natural gas or electric energy in a city or county where the gross receipts are subject to a franchise fee or user fee during the period of the franchise or user fee is imposed on the gross receipts from the sale of lottery tickets or share in a lottery game conducted pursuant to Chapter 99E of the Iowa Code, and on the sale of rental of tangible personal property described in Section 422.45; subsections 26 and 27 of the Iowa Code.

All applicable provisions of the appropriate sections of Chapter 422, Division IV, of the Iowa Code are adopted by reference.

Section 2. Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Cherokee Board of Supervisors on this 23rd day of October, 2007.

/s/ Ronald Wetherell, Chairman – Attest: /s/ Bonnie Ebel, County Auditor

MSP Graybill, Schmidt to waive the second and third reading of Ordinance 2007-001. Voting aye Jeff Simonsen, Mark Leeds, Terry Graybill, Dean Schmidt and Ronald Wetherell.

MSP Simonsen, Schmidt to approve underground construction permits for High Tech-Electric LLC in Section 24 of Pilot Twp., Peoples Telephone Co. in Section 28 of Pitcher Twp., Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Section 36 of Sheridan Twp., Iowa Lakes Regional Water under Y Ave. South of 500th St.

MSP Schmidt, Simonsen to approve entrance permits for: Eric Buddenhagen, Section 1 of Afton Twp., Doug Brees, Section 3 of Afton Twp., Judith Brees, Section 15 and 21 of Afton Twp., Kurt Dorr, Section 35 of Amherst Twp., Yvonne Amundson, Section 3 of Cedar Twp., Jeff Vohs, Section 29 of Diamond Twp., Kent Timmerman, Section 26, 27, 35 in Pilot Twp., Justin Schulenberg, Section 28 of Pitcher Twp., Tim Lundsgaard, Section 30 of Pitcher Twp., Duane Haase, Section 3 of Liberty Twp., Kevin Prunty, Section 22 & 33 of Liberty Twp., Janice Abrahamson, Section 9 of Sheridan Twp., Jon Fuhrman, Section 16 of Sheridan Twp., Dade Johannsen, Section 18 of Silver Twp., Ralph Rupp, Section 34 of Sheridan Twp., James Mohn, Section 34 of Spring Twp., Roving Wind, Inc., Section 12 of Tilden Twp., Donald Meyer, Section 12 of Tilden Twp., Joel Rupp, Section 22 of Willow Twp.

MSP Graybill, Leeds to authorize Chairman Wetherell sign a letter to North Star Credit Union to increase the credit limit for County Engineer's Master Card from \$1,500.00 to \$3,000.00.

MSP Schmidt, Simonsen to approve the tax list adjustment for the 2007/2008 tax year.

MSP Leeds, Simonsen to authorize Schmidt talk with Dr. Rice, County Medical Examiner, about his request to purchase a digital camera.

Supervisors discussed the chairs in the Magistrate Courtroom and upholstered chairs in the hallways of the Courthouse. It was the consensus of the Supervisors to authorize the County Auditor to replace upholstered chairs with chairs that can be wiped clean and stacked for storage. Wood chairs in the Magistrate will be replaced with armless chairs.

MSP Graybill, Schmidt to authorize Chairman Wetherell sign Resolution 2007-20

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Resolution approving pre-disaster mitigation planning Grant program and designating authorized signatures for the planning grant for the County of Cherokee, Iowa.

WHEREAS, Cherokee County, Iowa is an eligible unit of general local government has therefore approved the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Planning grant program. The cost of the plan is \$7,500 funded through a grant from the Iowa Department of Homeland Security with \$2,500 funded by the County of Cherokee through cash or in-kind match:

WHEREAS, Siouxland interstate Metropolitan planning Council (SIMPCO) will be contracted by the County of Cherokee to facilitate and prepare the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan;

WHEREAS, Ronald Wetherell Chairman of Supervisors; Aimee Barritt, Cherokee County Emergency Management Coordinator and Kristi Quinn from Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council are authorized representatives and may sign all grant program documents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the County of Cherokee, Iowa, to take the necessary steps and execute the necessary documents in order to accomplish the aforementioned Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan.

Dated this 23rd day of October, 2007.

/s/ Ronald Wetherell, Chairman Board of Supervisors /s/ Bonnie Ebel, County Auditor

MSP Simonsen, Wetherell to approve the request from ISAC Multi-county Fund for \$150.00 to be used by Woodbury County to pay out-of-pocket expenses for assistance in litigation for a court case to come to trial in March of 2008.

MSP Graybill, Simonsen to approve a letter of support be signed by Chairman Wetherell for the Blue Star Memorial committee in Marcus.

The Supervisors discussed the request for a light at the corner of L51 and C16 near the Oakdale Church. Cherokee County will not erect and maintain a light at that intersection, however if the Church members would want to erect and maintain a light that would be up to them.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Ronald Wetherell, Chairman

Attest: _____
Bonnie Ebel, County Auditor