
FOR THE YEAR 2009
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
SEPTEMBER 1, 2009

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, September 1, 2009, with Larry Prunty, Dean Schmidt, Terry Graybill, Jeff Simonsen, and Mark Leeds present. Mike Leckband, *Chronicle Times*, represented the press. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Schmidt, Graybill, Prunty, Leeds, Simonsen; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Prunty to approve the amended agenda and minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Scott Weber presented a \$10,484.59 check to the county on behalf of Iowa Community Assurance Pool (ICAP) and Central Insurance. Cherokee County received this reimbursement for being a good ICAP member in standing and will receive this same reimbursement for the next two years as well.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to approve the final report of activities for the state reimbursement for substance abuse funding. Motion carried.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Leeds to appoint Mark Leeds and Terry Graybill as the county's representatives for union contract negotiations. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Prunty to hire Ahlers & Cooney Law Firm as the county's legal counsel for union contract negotiations. Motion carried.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Leeds to appoint Doug Woods and Kent Wenck as members of the Cherokee County Complaint Board. Motion carried.

County Officers meeting began at 9:30 with Ginger Walker, Conservation Director, giving an update of summer activities. Lodge rentals, camping, horse trails and park usage continues to be higher than past seasons and the new cabins at the Martin Area are expected to be completed in October.

Hedgie Brandt, Treasurer, reported that property taxes are coming in and computer upgrades will be installed by the state in the driver's license station.

Bob Hart, Assessor, gave a progress report on the GIS project and sees a lot of interest from the cities within the county. The State of Iowa has issued a 15% equalization order for commercial properties in Cherokee County for the 2009 valuation year for taxes payable in 2010/2011.

Dave Shanahan, Engineer, reviewed construction projects to be completed before winter.

Kris Glienke, Auditor, discussed the upcoming school and city elections and additional payroll and accounting duties being performed by the auditor's staff.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Leeds to approve an underground permit for Iowa Lakes Electric between Sections 20 & 29 in Grand Meadow Township. Motion carried.

Mel Reinert and Ken Todd, Silver Township Trustees, requested financial support for a township cemetery renovation project.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Leeds to approve a \$10,585.00 payment from the Rural Betterment Fund to the Silver Township Trustees with possible repayment terms to be determined.

There being no further business, Chairman Simonsen adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

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Attest: _____

Jeff Simonsen, Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor