
FOR THE YEAR 2010
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
AUGUST 10, 2010

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, August 10, 2010 with Jeff Simonsen, Larry Prunty, Dean Schmidt, and Mark Leeds present. Terry Graybill was absent. There were no representatives from the press. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Schmidt, Prunty, Leeds, Simonsen; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

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

Hedgie Brandt, County Treasurer, requested abatement of 2010/2011 taxes on one parcel with no living owner.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Prunty to approve the abatement of 2010/2011 taxes on parcel #980734226013 owned by P.E. Sullivan. Motion carried.

Barb Staver, Sheriff's secretary, presented the June 30, 2010 Quarterly Revenue Report for the Sheriff's department. The county received \$20,587.93 in funds including \$6,091.09 of pay for stay payments from inmates.

Motion by Prunty, seconded by Schmidt to approve the Sheriff's June 30, 2010 as presented. Motion carried.

Dave Scott, County Sheriff, and Jeff Friedrichsen, Chief Deputy, visited with the board regarding space needs for the sheriff's office and jail. Scott reported that his department is critically short on space and may be in violation of fire codes due to storage of files and supplies above the jail cells, in hallways, and restrooms. The board asked the sheriff to research potential options to address the space issue and to report back to the board for their consideration at a later date. The sheriff indicated an October 1st deadline due to the annual fire inspection of the law enforcement facilities.

Lisa Langlitz, Community Services Director, requested a temporary clerical position to work 5 to 7 hours per week and discussed General Relief policies and responsibilities.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Schmidt to approve a \$10.00 per hour wage authorization for Susan Harkins as temporary clerical staff in the Community Services office. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Prunty to approve an annual salary of \$3,000 for Lisa Langlitz as General Relief Director. Motion carried. Langlitz had been appointed to this position on July 6, 2010.

Lisa Langlitz requested a closed session to conduct her annual job evaluation.

Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Leeds to go into closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5(i) *"To evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session."* Roll call vote: Schmidt-aye, Prunty-aye, Leeds-aye, Simonsen-aye.

Session was closed at 10:15 a.m.

Regular session resumed at 10:45 a.m. with no action resulting from the closed session.

Mark Buschkamp, CAEDC Director, discussed a trail project along the discontinued Canadian National rail line that the City of Cherokee is pursuing.

Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Leeds to authorize the chairman to sign a letter of support for the Cherokee City trail project. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Prunty to approve Resolution #2010-05 entitled "Resolution for Question on General Ballot to Appoint Township Officials" Roll call vote: Schmidt-aye, Prunty-aye, Leeds-aye, Simonsen-aye. Motion carried and resolution adopted.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Prunty to approve the termination of an agreement signed in 2007 with the Automated Statewide Portal for Integrated Real Estate and Election data (ASPIRE). Motion carried.

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Dave Shanahan, County Engineer, presented two utility permits and reported on a site visit conducted by the DNR for a construction application received from Grand Meadow Feeders.

Motion by Prunty, seconded by Leeds to approve two underground utility permits for CT Communications in Sections 15 and 23 of Cherokee Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Prunty to approve the master matrix application for Grand Meadow Feeders (Dr. Bob Bryant, owner) in Section 11 of Grand Meadow Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Schmidt to approve the county claims as presented. Motion carried. A complete listing of the claims is available for review in the Auditor's office and online.

Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Leeds to approve a final wage/vacation payout of \$7,324.82 for Aimee Barritt. Motion carried.

The supervisors reviewed and acknowledged a wage authorization for Sandra O'Hearn as part-time Environmental Health employee with an increase from \$12.35 to \$18.10 as approved by the Board of Health.

There being no further business, Chairman Simonsen adjourned the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

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Attest: _____

Jeff Simonsen, Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor