
FOR THE YEAR 2010
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
OCTOBER 5, 2010

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, October 5, 2010 with Jeff Simonsen, Larry Prunty, Dean Schmidt, Mark Leeds, and Terry Graybill present. Todd Thoma attended as a guest. There were no representatives from 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 agenda and minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Dawn Jones Coombs, County Recorder, presented her Quarterly Revenue Report with \$44,670 of total receipts. The county retained \$21,094 of the revenues and \$23,576 were sent to the state.

Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Graybill to approve the Recorder's September 30, 2010 Quarterly Revenue Report as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Prunty, seconded by Graybill to approve a \$13.22 wage authorization for Donald Jennings as part-time 911 dispatcher per the Law Enforcement Union contract. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Graybill to approve an \$8.50 wage authorization for Paula Ellis as part-time engineer's receptionist subject to the Cherokee County General Personnel Policy. Motion carried.

Mark Buschkamp, CAEDC Director, presented an Organic Conversion Application from a Cherokee County farmer. The Supervisors adopted an "Organic Conversion Policy" in 2006 which provides a 100% county tax levy rebate for 5 years as an incentive for farmers to convert from conventional farming techniques that use pesticides to organic production methods. Landowners must prove compliance with USDA National Organic Program Standards and all property taxes must be paid in full prior to the county issuing tax rebates. If organic certification is not obtained after 3 years, the operator is subject to repayment of prior rebates.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to approve an Organic Conversion Application for 157 acres in Pilot and Pitcher Townships operated by Gary Otto. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Chairman Simonsen adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

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Attest: _____

Jeff Simonsen, Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor