
FOR THE YEAR 2011
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
APRIL 12, 2011

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, April 12, 2011 with Larry Prunty, Dean Schmidt, Jeff Simonsen, Mark Leeds, and Terry Graybill present. Scott Weber, Central Insurance, was also in attendance. The press was not represented. 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.

A County Officers' meeting was held with the following offices and their representatives: Auditor-Kris Glienke; Assessor-Bob Hart; Conservation-Ginger Walker; Community Services-Lynda Holmich; Environmental Health/EMS-Ben Shuberg; Personnel-Kristi Petersen; Secondary Roads-Dave Shanahan; Sheriff-Dave Scott, Jeff Friedrichsen, Barb Staver; Treasurer-Hedgie Brandt. The Recorder, 911, and Veteran Affairs Departments were not represented.

Each department reported on activities within the last month and Scott Weber, Central Insurance, addressed the need to follow the county's policies as a means of loss control. Weber urged the department managers to comply with the policies as the insurance carrier can refuse coverage for the county if recommendations are not implemented.

Kristi Petersen, Human Resources Director, handed out a list to each department manager of their employees who have not submitted acknowledgement of recent county policy changes. Petersen asked for the assistance and cooperation of the managers to implement and enforce current county policies.

Barb Staver, Sheriff's Department, presented a revenue report for consideration.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to approve the Sheriff's March 31, 2011 Quarterly Revenue Report including \$38,888 of funds retained by the county. Motion carried.

Dave Scott, Sheriff, discussed the need for additional \$60,000 to \$80,000 of funds for the current 2010/2011 budget year ending June 30. No action was taken as a result of the request.

Dave Shanahan, County Engineer, presented a recommendation given by the Cherokee County Zoning Board to allow a zoning change as requested by Lucas Edwards, Washta.

Edwards was in attendance to answer questions and reported that he had spoken with the City of Washta and they supported his request to start a commercial business on his property.

Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Prunty to approve a change of zoning from residential to commercial for a 1 acre property owned by Lucas Edwards per the recommendation of the County's Zoning Board. Motion carried.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Graybill to approve two underground utility permits for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Sections 2 and 33 of Tilden Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to approve the use of Linden Street and "S" Avenue as a detour for the annual Cherokee Chamber PRCA Rodeo Parade on June 4, 2011. Motion carried.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Prunty to approve Resolution #2011-4 "Notice for Destruction of Noxious Weeds". Roll call vote: Schmidt-aye, Graybill-aye, Prunty-aye, Leeds-aye, Simonsen-aye. Motion carried and resolution adopted.

Kris Glienke, Commissioner of Elections, presented the results of the Northwest Iowa Community College Special Bond Election held on April 5, 2011. The supervisors canvassed the results as follows: Total votes cast countywide were 112 with 74 votes cast "YES – for the question" and 38 votes cast "NO - against the question".

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Prunty to approve the canvass of election results from the April 5, 2011 Northwest Iowa Community College Special Bond Election as presented and therefore declare the public measure "*Shall the Board of Directors of Northwest Iowa Community College in the Counties of Cherokee, Clay, Dickinson, Lyon, O'Brien, Osceola, Plymouth and Sioux be authorized to erect, equip, renovate and expand buildings for Community College purposes, including construction of new buildings, expansion and/or renovation Building C, Building D, and student support areas, upgrading heating, cooling, electrical and mechanical equipment, and construction and expansion of advanced technology, contract indebtedness therefor, and issue its school bonds in an amount not exceeding \$13,400,000 for those purposes?*" to be adopted. Roll call vote: Schmidt – aye, Graybill – aye, Prunty – aye, Leeds – aye, Simonsen – aye. Motion carried.

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

There being no further business, Chairman Simonsen adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

All board agendas and minutes are available online at www.cherokeecountyiowa.com .

Attest: _____

Jeff Simonsen, Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor