
FOR THE YEAR 2011
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
NOVEMBER 15, 2011

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, November 15, 2011 with Larry Prunty, Dean Schmidt, Jeff Simonsen, Mark Leeds, and Terry Graybill present. Mike Leckband, *Chronicle Times*, and Terry Holub, *Aurelia Star*, represented the press. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes - Schmidt, Graybill, Prunty, Leeds, Simonsen; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

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

Motion by Prunty, seconded by Schmidt to open a public hearing to consider a development agreement with Sand Seed Service of Marcus. Roll call vote: Schmidt-aye, Graybill-aye, Prunty-aye, Leeds-aye, Simonsen-aye. Motion carried and public hearing opened at 9:00 a.m.

After hearing no comments from the public, a motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Leeds to close the public hearing.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Prunty to approve Resolution #2011-29 Approving a Development Agreement with Sand Seed Service to provide tax increment payments not to exceed \$415,750 for expansion of the current facilities. Roll call vote: Schmidt-aye, Graybill-aye, Prunty-aye, Leeds-aye, Simonsen-aye. Motion carried and resolution adopted.

Jill Titcomb, Election Deputy, reviewed the November 8, 2011 City Election results. Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to certify the canvass of city election results as follows:

Cherokee County Election Turnout of 20.21% with 1223 of 6052 registered voters casting a ballot

City of Aurelia – Mayor (2 year term)

Write in candidate Jim Tell – 37 votes
Write in candidate Richard Vogt – 13 votes
Write in candidate Dar Evans – 8 votes
Write in candidate Jeff Bowen – 6 votes
Write in candidate Brian Lockin – 5 votes
Scattering of write ins – 30 votes

City of Aurelia – Council Member (vote for two)

Cindy L. Nelson – 103 votes
Jacob Schutt – 78 votes
Scattering of write ins – 31 votes

City of Cherokee – Council Member At Large (vote for one)

Chad Brown – 608 votes
Barry Lewis – 89 votes
Michael T. Morrow – 38 votes
Scattering of write ins – 10 votes

City of Cherokee – Ward 1 Council Person (vote for one)

James Peck – 213 votes
Mark Miller – 113 votes
Scattering of write ins – 4 votes

City of Cherokee – Ward 3 Council Person (vote for one)

Wayne Pingel – 136 votes
Matthew S. Royster – 58 votes
Jason Johnson – 30 votes
Scattering of write ins – 1 vote

City of Cleghorn – Mayor (4 year term)

Mick Wetherell – 42 votes
Michael G. Bunt – 21 votes
Michael D. Eldredge – 3 votes

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- Scattering of write ins – 0 votes
- City of Cleghorn – Council Member (vote for three)
- Sara Lively – 62 votes
 - Susan Briese – 57 votes
 - Greta R. Petersen – 54 votes
- Scattering of write ins – 5 votes
- City of Larrabee – Council Member (vote for two)
- Joann Kelly – 18 votes
 - Mabeth Kraft – 16 votes
- Scattering of write ins – 2 votes
- City of Marcus – Mayor (2 year term)
- Darrell J. Downs – 77 votes
 - Write in candidate Tim Galles – 10 votes
- Scattering of write ins – 10 votes
- City of Marcus – Council Member (vote for three)
- Robin Jenness – 99 votes
 - Matthew C. Schmillen – 95 votes
 - Carl F. Nelson – 66 votes
- Scattering of write ins – 16 votes
- City of Marcus – Council Member to Fill a Vacancy (2 year term)
- Harold Klassen – 105 votes
- Scattering of write ins – 1 vote
- City of Marcus - Public Measure 18-C
- “Should the City of Marcus adopt a 5% Hotel/Motel Tax...”
- YES, for the question – 86 votes
 - NO, against the question – 25 votes
- City of Meriden – Mayor (2 year term)
- D.J. Sechler – 34 votes
- Scattering of write ins – 1 vote
- City of Meriden – Council Member (vote for two)
- Tara R. Kintigh – 29 votes
 - Write in candidate Mike Dunn – 15 votes
 - Write in candidate Mike Ellis – 9 votes
 - Write in candidate Steve Liddle – 6 votes
- Scattering of write ins – 2 votes
- City of Quimby – Mayor (2 year term)
- Write in candidate Betty Woltman – 17 votes
 - Write in candidate Rich Wych – 3 votes
 - Write in candidate Don Fiser – 2 votes
 - Write in candidate John Perrett – 2 votes
 - Write in candidate Rick Stevenson – 2 votes
- Scattering of write ins – 7 votes
- City of Quimby – Council Member (vote for two)
- Larry K. Nelson – 37 votes
 - Willis Allbaugh – 33 votes
- Scattering of write ins – 2 votes

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- City of Washta – Mayor (2 year term)
Donald Parrott – 72 votes
Write in candidate Larry Towne – 4 votes
Scattering of write ins – 5 votes
- City of Washta – Council Member (vote for two)
Dana B. Talbert – 64 votes
James Joy – 41 votes
Lucas Edwards – 33 votes
Roger Sargent – 15 votes
Scattering of write ins – 4 votes
- City of Washta – Council Member to Fill a Vacancy (2 year term)
Douglas Eades – 63 votes
Michelle McCampbell – 16 votes
Scattering of write ins – 3 votes

Ginger Walker, Conservation Director, presented the Cherokee County Conservation Board's 2010/2011 Annual Report. Walker concluded by announcing her resignation from the Conservation Director position. The supervisors thanked Walker for her work on promoting Cherokee County through conservation projects and offered words of support as she starts her new position as a Farm Bill Biologist with Pheasants Forever.

Chairman Simonsen left the meeting at 10:30 a.m. to attend an Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) meeting in Coralville, Iowa. Vice Chairman Schmidt took over the proceedings.

Jeff Friedrichsen, Chief Deputy, and Rick Emswiler, Emswiler Architecture, presented drawings for a Law Enforcement Center (LEC) addition including redesign of the sidewalk and entrance to the current Sheriff's building. Leeds asked if a jail addition would require changes in the current jail to bring it up to current code. Friedrichsen answered that the current jail is fine and would not need updating. Emswiler indicated that he would verify that with the Iowa Department of Corrections and report back. Graybill asked if it would be a better option to consider housing prisoners in other counties and only using ours as a "holding tank". Friedrichsen added that it costs \$70 per day to house prisoners in other jails and the county would still need the same amount of staff.

Drainage from the courthouse property onto the LEC's parking and sidewalks was discussed. Schmidt stated that the county is waiting for written correspondence from the insurance carrier stating what corrective actions on the old alley would be acceptable. Kris Glienke, County Auditor, asked if there is a way to resurface the alley or design a wider sidewalk from the sheriff's office to the courthouse for use by deputies to escort prisoners for court appearances. Emswiler explained that because of the steep slope, there is not a way to design a safe sidewalk without several sets of steps and he suggested that the old alley be torn out and seeded to grass. Friedrichsen stated that a sidewalk or alley between the LEC and courthouse is not necessary because the deputies do not use it. Friedrichsen suggested a parking space reserved for law enforcement at the courthouse entrance to facilitate with transporting inmates to and from the court system. No action was taken and the subject will be discussed at a later date.

There being no further business, Vice Chairman Schmidt adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m. All board agendas and minutes are available online at www.cherokeecountyiowa.com.

Attest: _____

Dean Schmidt, Vice Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor