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FOR THE YEAR 2012  
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK  
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA  
AUGUST 14, 2012

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The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, August 14, 2012 with Larry Prunty, Dean Schmidt, Mark Leeds, Terry Graybill, and Jeff Simonsen present. Dan Whitney, *Chronicle Times*, represented the press. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes - Simonsen, Graybill, Prunty, Leeds, Schmidt; Nays - none; Abstentions - none.

Motion by Prunty, seconded by Simonsen to approve the agenda with a cancellation of the 9:00 appointment. Motion carried.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Graybill to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Deloy Bruce and Roman Redig, Aurelia Fire Department, reported on the progress of fundraising efforts to purchase a quick attack/light rescue truck. The department has been working on this project for several years and had requested financial assistance from the county in January. The supervisors had taken their request under consideration and have tried to keep funding for all area fire departments somewhat equalized in the \$40,000 to \$50,000 range.

Leeds thanked the firemen for all the work they do, saying "We appreciate all the volunteers and their time to keep up with the required training. It takes a lot of time and effort to maintain good fire departments that protect people and their property." The supervisors all expressed their thanks for a job well done by volunteer firemen in Cherokee County.

Rusty Rasmus and Mike Dunn, Meriden Fire Department, requested \$40,000 to \$50,000 of county funding to help purchase a brush/tanker truck unit to replace their 1965 brush truck. Meriden shares a quick attack truck with Cleghorn and a new truck with a 1280 gallon stainless tank would assist as a multipurpose vehicle. Rasmus reported their department plans to buy a new fire truck as well, and the County's May 2011 contribution of \$30,000 is in a savings account earmarked for that project.

Mike Dunn thanked the supervisors for the time they give to their job of managing the County, adding "You don't get told that often enough."

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Simonsen to approve a \$25,000 payment of Rural Betterment Funds to the Meriden Fire Department for a brush/tanker truck unit. Motion carried.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Prunty to approve a \$40,000 payment of Rural Betterment Funds to the Aurelia Fire Department for a quick attack truck as discussed in January. Motion carried.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Leeds 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 Schmidt adjourned the meeting at 9:58 a.m.

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Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Dean Schmidt, Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor