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

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 with Dean Schmidt, Mark Leeds, Terry Graybill, and Jeff Simonsen present. Larry Prunty was absent. Dan Whitney, *Chronicle Times*, represented the press. Tammy Carlson, Steve Campbell, Abby Corlew, Drew Dormanen, Rick Mongan, and Dennis Bush were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes - Simonsen, Graybill, Leeds, Schmidt; Nays - none; Abstentions - none.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Simonsen to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

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

Jill Titcomb, Elections Assistant, presented the results of the November 6, 2012 General Election.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Graybill to approve the canvass of votes for the 2012 General Election and certify the official turnout of 6439 voters (71.2%). Motion carried.

Motion by Leeds, 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.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Graybill to authorize the chairman to sign a rental contract with Cherokee Mental Health Institute for DHS office space. Motion carried. All Iowa counties are required to provide space for DHS workers with a percentage of the total annual cost reimbursed by the state.

Lisa Langlitz, Community Services Director, requested approval of an application to apply for state certification for the County's Case Management Program.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Graybill to authorize the chairman to sign an annual DHS accreditation survey application for certification of Cherokee County's Case Management Program. Motion carried.

Lyle Paulsen, Washta Water Superintendent, and Doug Eades, Washta Councilman, requested \$50,000 from the county to assist with financing a new well in the city. Total project costs are estimated at \$147,108 with water supplied to city residents, River Valley School building, local businesses, area farmers, and the Washta Fire Department. The request was tabled for further consideration.

Dave Shanahan, County Engineer, presented utility permits and construction information.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Leeds to approve a corrected final pay estimate to Gus Construction for BROS-CO(63)--8J-18 to correct a clerical error on the original payments. Motion carried.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Simonsen to approve a Federal Aid Funding Agreement on BROS-CO18(65)--8J-18 for a bridge replacement project that will be cost shared with Plymouth County. Motion carried.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Graybill to approve an underground utility permit for Cherokee Rural Water in Sections 1, 2, and 3 of Cedar Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Simonsen to approve an underground utility permit for Alliant Energy in Section 25 of Cherokee Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Graybill to approve an overhead utility permit for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Sections 16 and 17 of Cedar Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Simonsen to approve an underground utility permit for Iowa Lakes Regional Water in Section 32 of Spring Township. Motion carried.

Ryan Kolpin, County Attorney, presented a wage authorization for the board's consideration.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Simonsen to approve a \$45,000 wage authorization for Kara Harpenau, Legal Assistant/Paralegal, due to completion of a six month probationary period. Motion carried.

Clarence Hoffman, Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (ICAP), and Scott Weber, Central Bank Insurance, presented a \$7181.37 membership dividend check to Cherokee County for its portion of membership payouts resulting from below average claims history in the previous year. Hoffman reported ICAP currently has 70 counties in the membership and advised the pool does not accept or maintain members that do not have a good safety program or those with extremely high claims history because of their detrimental effect on the whole group.

There being no further business, Chairman Schmidt adjourned the meeting at 10:54 a.m.

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Attest: _____

Dean Schmidt, Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor