
FOR THE YEAR 2012
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
OCTOBER 9, 2012

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 with Larry Prunty, Dean Schmidt, Mark Leeds, Terry Graybill, and Jeff Simonsen present. Dan Whitney, *Chronicle Times*, and Marci Brown were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes - Simonsen, Graybill, Prunty, Leeds, Schmidt; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

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

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

Dennis Brady and Paul Wilkens presented information about the Marcus Fire Department Ambulance Service and requested funding to purchase a power cot that could be operated by one or two persons. The new cot would replace a manual cot that requires four or five persons to load into the ambulance.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Prunty to approve \$12,464.76 of Rural Betterment Funds to the Marcus Fire Department for purchase of a power cot for their ambulance. Motion carried.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Simonsen 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.

Julie Schulenberg, CAASA Executive Director, gave an informative presentation about changes in funding for domestic violence and sexual assault support services. Prevention programs will be a focus in K-12 schools with college interns being trained as mentors. Schulenberg assured the supervisors that an outreach office will remain open and will grow as support services are created to support local needs. The CAASA Office is located in the Ginsberg Building on the Cherokee Mental Health Campus and is available for all residents.

Jason Titcomb, Cherokee County Soil and Water Conservation District, and Mike Hendersen, NRCS, discussed watershed structures in Cherokee County that are nearing the end of their useful life. There are 56 structures in the county that need to be reviewed for a course of action to be determined. Titcomb requested \$17,000 for salary support of a full-time soil conservation technician to assist with this project.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Graybill to approve a \$17,000 payment from Rural Betterment Funds to the Cherokee County Soil and Water Conservation District to fund a full-time soil conservation technician. Motion carried.

Dawn Jones Coombs, County Recorder, presented her quarterly revenue report for consideration.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Prunty to accept the Recorder's September 30, 2012 Quarterly Revenue Report including \$17,822 of county receipts and \$19,750 collected for the state. Motion carried.

Lisa Langlitz, Community Services Director, asked the supervisors to take action on which mental health region the county would pursue. The supervisors have been considering the pros and cons of small or larger regions in determining the best service for Cherokee County residents who receive mental health services.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Leeds to approve Resolution #2012-12 "Letter of Intent to Join a Region" consisting of Cherokee, Plymouth, Sioux, and Woodbury Counties. Roll call vote: Simonsen-aye, Graybill-aye, Prunty-aye, Leeds-aye, Schmidt-aye. Motion carried and resolution adopted.

Mike Waldner, Waldner Lawn Service, presented a proposal to provide snow removal for the courthouse block and parking lots. No action was taken. The supervisors will advertise for a one year proposal that would include all lawn care and snow removal.

There being no further business, Chairman Schmidt adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

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Attest: _____

Dean Schmidt, Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor