
FOR THE YEAR 2013
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
NOVEMBER 12, 2013

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 with Mark Leeds, Dennis Bush, Rick Mongan, Jeff Simonsen, and Ginger Walker present. Dan Whitney, *Chronicle Times*, represented the press. Lindsay Bressler and Rick Angell were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Simonsen, Mongan, Bush, Walker, Leeds; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

Motion by Mongan, seconded by Simonsen to approve an amended agenda to include a wage authorization for a new Sheriff's hire. Motion carried.

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

Marlene Ebert, Jail Administrator, presented a wage authorization for consideration.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Walker to approve a \$14.91 per hour wage authorization for ReAnn Jackson, part-time Jailer, per the Law Enforcement Center Union Contract with a November 13, 2013 effective date. Motion carried.

Rick Angell, Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Iowa Representative, provided information of additional health insurance fees that will begin with the County's December 2013 billing as a result of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The consensus of the board was to notify employees that they individually should be prepared to assume the monthly health insurance fees assessed on each employee and covered family member. It is anticipated that the premium adjustment fees will be handled through payroll deductions beginning in December 2013 for January 2014 health coverage. Informational employee meetings are scheduled with representatives from Wellmark and Three Rivers Benefit Corporation in attendance to answer questions and facilitate the County's annual Cafeteria Plan enrollment process.

Jill Titcomb, Auditor's Election Assistant, reviewed the November 5, 2013 City Election results. Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Bush to certify the Canvass of 2013 City Election results. Motion carried with details as follows: Cherokee County Election Turnout of 18.09% with 1,078 of 5,959 registered voters casting a ballot

City of Aurelia – Mayor (2 year term)

Justin Schulenberg – 164 votes

Gene Lester Suhr – 161 votes

Scattering of write ins – 4 votes

City of Aurelia – Council Member (vote for three)

Roman A. Redig – 236 votes

John Daniel Baker – 217 votes

Sue Johnson – 201 votes

Dennis D. Wieland – 179 votes

Blake Trapp – 53 votes

Nate D. Overturf – 31 votes

Scattering of write ins – 6 votes

City of Cherokee – Mayor (4 year term)

Mark W. Murphy – 186 votes

Scattering of write ins – 12 votes

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

Emily Johnson – 128 votes

Mick Mallory – 83 votes

Scattering of write ins – 2 votes

City of Cherokee – Ward 2 Council Person (vote for one)

William Miller – 35 votes

Scattering of write ins – 5 votes

City of Cleghorn – Council Member (vote for two)

Todd Wetherell – 38 votes

Write in candidate Tony Ehrig – 9 votes

Write in candidate Les Pedersen – 7 votes

Write in candidate Dan Pingel – 5 votes

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- Write in candidate Kevin Hill – 4 votes
- Write in candidate Joe Schlenger – 3 votes
- Write in candidate Mike Smeltzer – 2 votes
- Scattering of write ins – 5 votes
- City of Larrabee – Mayor (4 year term)
 - Dan James – 19 votes
 - Scattering of write ins – 0 votes
- City of Larrabee – Council Member (vote for three)
 - Earl C. Cresap – 16 votes
 - Nick Ludwig – 15 votes
 - Dustin Richardson – 14 votes
 - Scattering of write ins – 0 votes
- City of Marcus – Mayor (2 year term)
 - Write in candidate Gary Husman – 175 votes
 - Darrell J. Downs – 155 votes
 - Thomas Willems – 7 votes
 - Scattering of write ins – 0 votes
- City of Marcus – Council Member (vote for two)
 - Conrad Ebert – 231 votes
 - Harold Klassen – 228 votes
 - Bruce Dreckman – 156 votes
 - Scattering of write ins – 8 votes
- City of Meriden – Mayor (2 year term)
 - D.J. Sechler – 39 votes
 - Scattering of write ins – 2 votes
- City of Meriden – Council Member (vote for three)
 - Allen J. Campbell – 33 votes
 - Roger Korleski – 31 votes
 - Write in candidate Molly Paulsrud – 31 votes
 - Lonnie Benson – 14 votes
 - Scattering of write ins – 5 votes
- City of Quimby – Mayor (2 year term)
 - Betty Woltman – 40 votes
 - Scattering of write ins – 1 vote
- City of Quimby – Council Member (vote for three)
 - Donald Fiser – 37 votes
 - Tracy Stevenson – 35 votes
 - Write in candidate Connie Sorbe – 28 votes
 - Scattering of write ins – 10 votes
- City of Washta – Mayor (2 year term)
 - Donald Parrott – 38 votes
 - Scattering of write ins – 3 votes
- City of Washta – Council Member (vote for three)
 - Doug Eades – 41 votes
 - Michael D. Hanson – 41 votes
 - Lawrence L. Patterson – 38 votes
 - Scattering of write ins – 8 votes

The supervisors reviewed bills submitted by departments for payment.

Motion by Bush, 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.

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The supervisors received one bid for snow removal services for the Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center properties.

Motion by Bush, seconded by Mongan to accept a snow removal bid from Waldner's Lawn Service for the courthouse block and two employee parking lots during the 2013/2014 winter season. Motion carried.

Motion by Mongan, seconded by Bush to approve a \$3,563.48 final payout of wages, vacation and comp time for Ben Shuberg, Emergency Management/Environmental Health Coordinator. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Chairman Leeds adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

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

Attest: _____

Mark Leeds, Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor