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FOR THE YEAR 2016  
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK  
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA  
AUGUST 23, 2016

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The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, August 23, 2016 with Dennis Bush, Gary Lundquist, Jim Peck, and Jeff Simonsen present. Rick Mongan was absent. Ken Ross, *Chronicle Times*, represented the press. Linda Bindner was also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Simonsen, Mongan, Lundquist, Peck, Bush; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

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

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

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Lundquist 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.

Hedgie Brandt, County Treasurer, requested tax abatement for two properties.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Peck to abate the 2016/2017 property taxes on a property purchased by Cherokee County Residential Services which is a non-profit entity (Parcel 98-07-26-328-001). Motion carried.

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Simonsen to abate delinquent property taxes on a mobile home in Washta that was removed in 2008 (Parcel 1429387501). Motion carried.

Brandon Billings, County Engineer, discussed safety issues related to excessive speeds entering Quimby and Washta and suggested creating reduced speed zones just outside city limits. Billings also reported on a flooring update that is in process at the Engineer's office including removal of current tile and carpeting to be replaced by polished concrete. The project cost is estimated at \$15,000.

Billings requested approval to increase the wage of the Sign Foreman position in the union contract to include additional pay for the responsibility of the position which includes on call requirements.

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Peck to authorize an adjustment to the wage of the Sign Foreman position in the Secondary Roads Union Contract to \$21.67 which includes a \$1.00 per hour bonus in addition to the base operator wage of \$20.67. Motion carried.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Lundquist to approve a step wage authorization for Kathleen Peterson, Jailer, from \$15.93 to \$16.28 per Law Enforcement Union contract terms effective August 22, 2016. Motion carried.

Motion by Peck, seconded by Simonsen to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 Urban Renewal Report including County rebates paid through Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) districts. Motion carried.

The supervisors provided committee reports and reviewed meeting schedules.

There being no further business, Chairman Bush adjourned the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

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Dennis Bush, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kris Glienke, County Auditor