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FOR THE YEAR 2016  
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK  
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA  
AUGUST 9, 2016

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The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 with Dennis Bush, Gary Lundquist, Jim Peck, and Jeff Simonsen present. Rick Mongan was absent. Ken Ross, *Chronicle Times*, represented the press. William Gauthier and Chris Elliott were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Simonsen, Lundquist, Peck, Bush; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

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

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

Motion by Peck, 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.

Mark Murphy, County Recorder, presented a wage authorization for consideration.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Lundquist to approve a wage authorization effective August 1, 2016 from \$14.32 per hour to \$17.00 for Mollie Hill, Recorder's Clerk, due to additional responsibilities. Motion carried.

Hedgie Brandt, County Treasurer, requested tax abatement for two properties purchased by the City of Cherokee.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Peck to abate the 2016/2017 property taxes on two properties purchased by the City of Cherokee (Parcels 98-07-26-103-001 and 98-07-26-104-001). Motion carried.

Brandon Billings, County Engineer, reported that he has been getting quotes for refinishing the engineer's office floors and the prices have ranged from \$12,000 to \$30,000. Lundquist requested that Billings obtain additional quotes for the project.

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Peck to approve ISG Field Services Invoice #1045 for submission to Dakota Access Pipeline for payment of inspection services provided from June 26, 2016 through July 30, 2016. Motion carried.

Appointment to fill the Sheridan Township Clerk position was tabled until a candidate is found to complete the remaining term.

The supervisors provided committee reports and reviewed meeting schedules.

Scott Stevenson, D.A. Davidson, and Steve Nadel, Ahlers & Cooney, joined the meeting at 10:00 a.m. via phone conference. The supervisors discussed refinancing current bonds for the purpose of taking advantage of low interest rates. Nadel will provide documents for the board's review and consideration at a future meeting.

There being no further business, Chairman Bush adjourned the meeting at 11:13 a.m.

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Dennis Bush, Chairman

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