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FOR THE YEAR 2009  
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK  
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA  
AUGUST 11, 2009

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The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, August 11, 2009, with Larry Prunty, Dean Schmidt, Terry Graybill, Jeff Simonsen, and Mark Leeds present. Mike Leckband, *Chronicle Times*, represented the press. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Schmidt, Graybill, Prunty, Leeds, Simonsen; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

Motion by Prunty, seconded by Leeds to approve the agenda and minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Kady Brauninger, Auditor's Assistant, presented the results of the Special Jail Bond Election held on August 4, 2009. The supervisors canvassed the results by precinct with the results as follows: Total votes cast countywide were 1498 with 625 votes cast "YES – for the question" and 873 votes cast "NO - against the question".

Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Graybill to approve the canvass of election results from the August 4, 2009 Special Jail Bond Election as presented and therefore declare the public measure "Shall the County of Cherokee, State of Iowa, be authorized to construct, equip and furnish a new County Jail and County Law Enforcement Center, including Sheriff's offices and a 911 emergency communication facility, at a total cost not exceeding \$3,750,000 and issue its General Obligation Capital Loan Notes in an amount not exceeding \$3,500,000 for that purpose?" not to be adopted. Roll call vote: Schmidt – aye, Graybill – aye, Prunty – aye, Leeds – aye, Simonsen – aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to approve Grand Meadow Heritage Center's \$12,000 funding request for a barn roof project to be paid from the Rural Betterment Fund. Motion carried.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Prunty to approve \$10,000 of Rural Betterment funding for purchasing bleachers at the Cherokee County Fairgrounds. Motion carried.

Hedgie Brandt, County Treasurer, presented her Semi Annual Report and Ending Cash Report.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to accept the Treasurer's June 30, 2009 Semi Annual Report as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Graybill to accept the Treasurer's June 30, 2009 Year End Cash Count as presented. Motion carried.

Brandt discussed properties that qualify for tax abatement.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to approve abatement of taxes for one building on leased land in the City of Marcus. Motion carried.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Graybill to approve an \$18.96 per hour wage authorization for Joshua Douglas as deputy sheriff. Hourly rate will increase to \$19.96 after completion of a 6 month probation per terms of the Law Enforcement Bargaining Unit contract. Motion carried.

Dave Shanahan, County Engineer, discussed a utility permit and construction projects.

Motion by Leeds, seconded by Prunty to approve the final payment to Christensen Bros. for BROS-CO18(50)--5F-18 bridge project in Afton Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to approve an underground utility permit for Iowa Lakes Regional Water in Sections 23 & 24 in Spring Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Leeds to approve an employee application for use of donated leave due to catastrophic illness. Motion carried.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to approve the claims for payment as presented. Motion carried. A complete listing is available for review in the Auditor's office and online.

There being no further business, Chairman Simonsen adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

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Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Jeff Simonsen, Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor