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FOR THE YEAR 2011  
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK  
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA  
NOVEMBER 8, 2011

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The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, November 8, 2011 with Larry Prunty, Dean Schmidt, Jeff Simonsen, Mark Leeds, and Terry Graybill present. Mike Leckband, *Chronicle Times*, and Terry Holub, *Aurelia Star*, represented the press. Todd Thoma and Larry Hanson were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes - Schmidt, Graybill, Prunty, Leeds, Simonsen; Nays - none; Abstentions - none.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to approve the agenda and minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Kristi Petersen, Human Resources Director, presented two wage authorizations for secondary roads employees with wages at 90% of the job category rate per the union contract.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Prunty to approve two wage authorizations for two secondary roads positions including David Julius as Operator (\$17.09) and Brian Smith as General Labor (\$16.88). Motion carried.

Petersen gave an update on the Health, Wealth and Safety Program that will be held for all county employees. Mandatory attendance is required for bloodborne pathogen training and cafeteria plan enrollment. Several informational booths will be available for employees to browse through.

Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Leeds 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.

Dave Shanahan, County Engineer, discussed general construction projects and vehicle needs for his department.

Larry Hanson reported a water drainage problem on Borderline Drive and R Avenue that was caused by construction of a new culvert. Shanahan assured Hanson that he will look into the situation and contact him about options to correct the problem.

Shanahan requested approval of a zoning change south of Cherokee to accommodate an industrial park development. The Cherokee County Zoning Board held a hearing on the rezoning and voted to approve it.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to approve a zoning change from agricultural to heavy industrial for 6 acres in Section 10 of Pilot Township owned by Adam Timmerman. Motion carried.

Shanahan discussed two bids for a pickup to include trade in of three (3) vehicles including a 2000 Chevy pickup, a 2001 Chevy pickup, and a 2004 Ford Taurus. Bids included: Rasmussen Ford \$20,000 and Holzauer Motors \$16,750.

Motion by Graybill, seconded by Schmidt to accept a \$16,750 bid from Holzauer Motors for a 2012 Chevy ½ ton crew cab pickup including trade in of three (3) vehicles. Motion carried.

Jim Bishop, Liberty National Life Insurance Company, presented information on a group term life insurance option that is available to municipal employees. The board of supervisors would need to update their Section 125 Cafeteria Plan that is filed with the Internal Revenue Service before making any additional pre-tax deductions for employees. No action was taken until further information can be considered.

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

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Jeff Simonsen, Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor