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FOR THE YEAR 2014  
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK  
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA  
MARCH 4, 2014

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The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 with Mark Leeds, Dennis Bush, Rick Mongan, Jeff Simonsen, and Ginger Walker present. Dan Whitney, *Chronicle Times*, represented the press. Gary Lundquist, Lisa Langlitz, Dawn Miller, and Dave Shanahan 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 Simonsen, seconded by Bush to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

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

At 9:05 a.m., a motion was offered by Simonsen and seconded by Walker to open a public hearing for the proposed 2014/2015 fiscal year budget. Roll call vote: Simonsen-aye, Mongan-aye, Bush-aye, Walker-aye, Leeds-aye. Motion carried. Chairman Leeds asked for comments from the public.

Gary Lundquist complimented the Board of Supervisors and County Departments for doing a good job during the budget process this year. Simonsen gave credit to Dennis Bush for his efforts in communicating with the public and county organizations about County issues.

Hearing no further comments from the public, a motion was made by Simonsen, seconded by Mongan to close the public hearing at 9:45 a.m. Roll call vote: Simonsen-aye, Mongan-aye, Bush-aye, Walker-aye, Leeds-aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Bush to adopt the fiscal year 2014/2015 budget as published and to certify it to the state. Motion carried.

Motion by Mongan, seconded by Walker to adopt the County Compensation Board recommendations for 2014/2015 elected officials' salaries as follows: Attorney \$90,250 (\$2,000 increase), Auditor \$53,000 (\$1,500 increase), Recorder \$53,000 (\$1,500 increase), Sheriff \$68,500 (\$3,000 increase), Treasurer \$53,000 (\$1,500 increase), and Supervisors \$22,000 (\$500 increase) with a \$1,000 stipend for the Chairman. Motion carried.

Lisa Langlitz, Community Services Director, informed the Board that a \$500 annual Block Grant will be reinstated for Cherokee County Residential Services to make sure the non-profit organization continues to qualify for tax-exempt status by meeting minimum levels of public financial support.

Dawn Miller, County Recorder, presented a wage authorization for consideration.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Mongan to approve a \$13.86 wage authorization for Kallie Rubendall as part-time Recorder's Clerk. Motion carried.

Dave Shanahan, County Engineer, discussed construction projects and presented a resolution to advance two bridge projects into the current construction year.

Motion by Walker, seconded by Simonsen to approve Resolution #2014-05 to Revise Cherokee County 2014 Five Year Road Program to include two additional bridge replacement projects. Roll call vote: Simonsen-aye, Mongan-aye, Bush-aye, Walker-aye, Leeds-aye. Motion carried and resolution adopted.

The following persons joined the meeting at 10:30 a.m.: Sharon Burton and Erin Berzina, SIMPCO representatives; Justin Pritts and Sandy O'Hearn, Cherokee County Emergency Management Department; and Mat Noble, and Jessica Turble, Iowa Homeland Security.

Sharon Burton and Mat Noble explained the process of obtaining an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan for Cherokee County and provided their expertise and assistance in completing necessary paperwork which will be submitted for FEMA approval.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Bush to approve Resolution #2014-06 Planning Grant Agreement Amendment #2 between Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (HSEMD) and Cherokee County to extend the approved performance period through 6/30/2014. Roll call vote: Simonsen-aye, Mongan-aye, Bush-aye, Walker-aye, Leeds-aye. Motion carried and resolution adopted.

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

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Mark Leeds, Chairman

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