

FOR THE YEAR 2017  
 BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK  
 CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA  
 AUGUST 22, 2017

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 with Dennis Bush, Rick Mongan, Gary Lundquist, Jeff Simonsen, and Duane Mummert present. Ken Ross, *Chronicle Times*, and Steve Peterson, *Aurelia Star*, represented the press. Ed Boger, Gerald Weiland, Nate James, Kenny Frank, Erin Sonksen, Dana Evans, Beverly Evans, Rocky Stevens, Myron Joens, Leo Klotz, Leroy Schoon, Marley Schleef, Don Fiser, Steph Thill, Shelly Pick, Sam Boothby, Mark Murphy, Dixie Draper and Joe Draper were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Simonsen, Bush, Lundquist, Mummert, Mongan; Naves – none; Abstentions – none.

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

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

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Bush 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.

Claims Approved August 22, 2017:

|                                |              |           |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| A&M Laundry                    | Supp         | 45.00     |
| Advanced Systems Inc           | Serv         | 12.80     |
| ALEX AIR APPARATUS INC.        | Supp         | 781.96    |
| Alliant Energy                 | Serv         | 23.72     |
| Allied Oil & Tire Company      | Serv         | 189.50    |
| Alpha Wireless                 | Equip        | 589.25    |
| Amsterdam Printing & Litho     | Supp         | 995.00    |
| Aurelia Municipal Utility      | Serv         | 37.14     |
| Jason Ballou                   | Rent         | 200.00    |
| Barco Municipal Products Inc   | Supp         | 889.22    |
| Bomgaars                       | Supp         | 423.08    |
| Boyer Trucks                   | Parts        | 313.31    |
| Buena Vista County EMA         | Supp         | 150.00    |
| Builders Sharpening & Serv     | Parts        | 54.98     |
| Certified Testing Services Inc | Serv         | 661.50    |
| Chase Card Service-Ink         | Supp         | 427.43    |
| Three Rivers Benefit Corp      | Flex         | 2074.61   |
| Cherokee County Treasurer      | Taxes        | 956.00    |
| Cherokee Regional Medical CTR  | Contract     | 8,616.90  |
| Cherokee Rural Water           | Serv         | 357.35    |
| City of Cherokee               | Serv         | 739.57    |
| City of Larrabee               | Pymt         | 50.00     |
| City of Marcus                 | Serv         | 22.45     |
| CJ Cooper & Associates         | Serv         | 35.00     |
| Clark Equipment Co. dba Bobcat | Parts        | 22,747.00 |
| Eric J. Comstock               | Serv         | 4,628.46  |
| Crossroads                     | Cleaning     | 115.00    |
| Allan M Dessel                 | Travel Reimb | 159.63    |
| Double Overtime LLC            | Rent         | 500.00    |
| Joseph W Draper                | Travel Reimb | 105.75    |
| Dana Evans                     | Reimburs     | 45.00     |
| Fastenal                       | Parts        | 2.88      |
| FCA-Marcus Tankwagon           | Serv         | 1,289.59  |
| First Cooperative Association  | Supp         | 25.56     |
| First Bankcard Center          | Travel Reimb | 393.46    |
| First Cooperative Association  | Serv         | 78.70     |
| Frontier                       | Serv         | 129.95    |
| Pascal Frye                    | Travel Reimb | 21.60     |

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| GCC Alliance Concrete, Inc.    | Supp         | 1,352.00     |
| GovConnection, Inc.            | Supp         | 558.13       |
| Group Resources, Inc.          | Admin Fees   | 715.00       |
| Hy-Vee Inc.                    | Supp         | 35.62        |
| Interstate Battery System      | Parts        | 723.70       |
| Iowa HSEMD Attn: Beth Lewis    | Fee          | 125.00       |
| Iowa Lakes Electric Coop       | Serv         | 2,759.73     |
| IA Lakes Regional Water        | Serv         | 285.62       |
| Iowa Land Records              | Fee          | 50.00        |
| Iowa Prison Industries         | Parts        | 44.60        |
| Janitor's Closet, Ltd          | Supp         | 163.02       |
| KCHE                           | Ads          | 250.00       |
| Hasler                         | Lease        | 1,881.00     |
| Martin Marietta Materials      | Supp         | 15,244.04    |
| Mediacom LLC                   | Serv         | 79.63        |
| Mid American Energy            | Serv         | 1,853.35     |
| Modern Heating & Cooling, Inc  | Serv         | 433.18       |
| Motor Parts Sales              | Parts        | 103.85       |
| Munson Cleaning                | Serv         | 139.50       |
| NW Iowa Yes Center             | Shelter      | 2,700.00     |
| One Office Solution            | Supp         | 608.61       |
| Petroleum Marketers Mutual Inc | Tank Ins     | 1,657.00     |
| Plymouth County Sheriff        | Fee          | 39.50        |
| Police Legal Sciences, Inc.    | Serv         | 720.00       |
| Pottawattamie County Sheriff   | Fees         | 35.00        |
| Rees Mack Sales & Service      | Parts        | 3,027.29     |
| Ricoh USA, Inc.                | Serv         | 22.24        |
| Dutch Robbins                  | Travel Reimb | 126.00       |
| Jean L Sassman Nicols Court Re | Fees         | 350.40       |
| Schaeffer Mfg Co.              | Supp         | 1,333.00     |
| Meredith Scott                 | Travel Reimb | 147.74       |
| David L Skou                   | Travel Reimb | 63.90        |
| Kenneth L Smith                | Safety       | 69.54        |
| Spencer Trophy                 | Supp         | 77.50        |
| Standard Ready Mix Concrete    | Concrete     | 2,214.00     |
| Star Energy                    | Fuel         | 4,731.09     |
| Steffen Truck Equipment Inc.   | Parts        | 497.74       |
| TalkPoint Technologies, Inc.   | Parts        | 1,965.10     |
| Thomson Reuters-West           | Serv         | 714.63       |
| Gerald M Tuttle                | Safety       | 75.00        |
| U. S. Bank Equipment Finance   | Serv         | 101.07       |
| Vanguard Appraisals Inc        | Reappraisal  | 32,145.30    |
| Verizon Wireless               | Serv         | 283.57       |
| Gerald Weiland                 | Travel Reimb | 37.35        |
| Wellmark BCBS Of Iowa          | Insurance    | 80,756.28    |
| WesTel Systems                 | Serv         | 746.55       |
| Wiese Oil & Supply             | Fuel         | 1,564.20     |
| Woodward Youth Corporation     | Shelter      | 1,446.15     |
| Xerox Financial Services       | Serv         | 76.23        |
| Grand Total                    |              | \$214,017.30 |

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Brandon Billings, County Engineer, presented utility permits, construction project invoice, and bridge design plans for consideration.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Mummert to approve an underground utility permit for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative between Sections 21 and 28 of Silver Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Lundquist to approve an underground utility permit for the City of Quimby between Sections 11 and 12 of Willow Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Bush, seconded by Lundquist to approve an overhead utility permit for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Section 13 of Liberty Township. Motion carried.

Billings presented an invoice for the Washta bridge replacement project from July 2015. Mongan and Mummert asked why the unpaid invoice had not been noticed when the project was closed out. Billings stated that he had not looked at the project docs after construction had been completed but it wasn't the county's fault since the DOT had not sent an invoice for additional material strength certifications conducted during the construction phase.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Mummert to authorize the chairman to sign an invoice from the DOT for materials inspection costs related to the Washta bridge replacement in July 2015. Motion carried.

At 9:17 a.m., County Engineer Brandon Billings opened bids received for local culvert project #L-4184(2)--73-18. Contractor bids were received as follows: Graves Construction, Spencer, IA (\$133,296.00); Gus Construction, Casey, IA (\$141,165.00); L.A. Carlson Contracting, Merrill, IA (\$122,311.50); Midwest Contracting, Marshall, MN (\$105,520.00); Peterson Contractors, Reinbeck, IA (\$109,399.00) and Richards Construction, Sac City, IA (\$116,665.00).

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Lundquist to accept a \$105,520.00 bid from Midwest Contracting, Marshall, MN for local culvert project #L-4184(2)--73-18 in Liberty Township pending verification of contractor's bid calculations. Motion carried.

Joe Draper, Veteran Affairs Commission Chairman, informed the supervisors that he was not in attendance as a representative of the VA Commission but Dana Evans had asked him to request a time on the supervisor's agenda. Draper stated that he did not know what was going to be read, but Evans wanted to speak. Chairman Mongan stated that Evans could certainly address the board if he chose to.

Dana Evans, Veteran Affairs Director, read a prepared statement describing his daily activities representing local veterans in addition to serving individuals from several areas outside of the county with their disability claims, counseling, etc. Mongan thanked Evans for attending and providing his report to the supervisors.

Rocky Stevens stated that he had submitted an application and questioned why he was not interviewed for a Veteran Affairs Commission position. Mongan thanked Stevens for coming and stated that the supervisors will take his concern under advisement.

Myron Joens stated that he had also submitted an application for the Veteran Affairs Commission and had not been interviewed. Joens questioned the process of selecting persons to be appointed to the Commission and asked who had conducted the interviews. Joens questioned the qualifications of the interviewers and made statements about a recently appointed Commissioner. Mongan stated that the supervisors were not prepared to discuss the issue but would take it under advisement.

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Mummert to authorize the chairman to sign a DNR confinement application and Master Matrix scoring sheet for Steve Hueser and Chad Tentinger (T & H Cattle) in Section 35 of Marcus Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Bush, seconded by Simonsen to approve property tax suspensions per DHS guidelines under Iowa Code 427.9 for the following two parcels: 98-07-27-430-003 and 98-07-27-430-033. Motion carried.

Mongan presented two proposals from Haselhoff Construction for installing handrails on the east side of the Law Enforcement Center including Option 1- seven bar design for \$20,860.00 and Option 2 – two bar design for \$12,280.00.

Motion by Bush, seconded by Lundquist to approve Haselhoff Construction's \$12,280.00 proposal for Option 2 including materials, labor and equipment to install exterior railings on the east side of the Cherokee County Law Enforcement Center. Motion carried.

Mongan reported that he has been working with Rick Emswiler and Jim Haselhoff to resolve the \$16,150.34 additional cost of revising the ramp at the Law Enforcement Center to meet ADA requirements. Emswiler has offered to pay approximately half of the additional expense. Mummert questioned if Emswiler's insurance would

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cover the additional cost since Haselhoff built the initial ramp per architect designs. Mongan will call Emswiler to inquire about the possibility of filing an insurance claim against the architect's liability coverage.

The supervisors provided committee reports and reviewed meeting schedules.

Billings returned with verification that the top four bids received for the local culvert project were in order and confirmed the board's action of awarding the project to the lowest bidder.

Billings presented a Secondary Roads Department Prescription Safety Glasses Policy that he is implementing. The policy provides details about the county provided benefit to employees of the Secondary Roads Department. After a brief discussion, Mongan advised Billings to provide a copy of the policy to the County Safety Committee for their records.

There being no further business, Chairman Mongan adjourned the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

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Rick Mongan, Chairman

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