
FOR THE YEAR 2019
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
JANUARY 15, 2019

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 with Dennis Bush, Rick Mongan, Gary Lundquist, Duane Mummert, and Wane Miller present. Steve Peterson, *Aurelia Star*, represented the press. Brad Beck, Deb Bush, William Gauthier, and Justin Pritts were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes –Lundquist, Bush, Mummert, Miller, Mongan; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

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

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

Cindy Nelson, Deputy Treasurer, presented revenue reports for consideration.

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Bush to approve the Treasurer's December 31, 2018 Semi-Annual Cash Report as presented showing \$13,874,018.84 cash on hand. Motion carried.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Miller to approve ISG Field Services Invoice #C1451 for submission to Dakota Access Pipeline for payment of inspection services provided from November 25, 2018 through December 29, 2018. Motion carried.

Motion by Bush, seconded by Lundquist to approve a separation of employment and \$4,505,96 final payout of vacation, comp and hours worked for Emily Heidesch, Auditor's Assistant, effective January 8, 2019. Motion carried.

Brad Beck, Beck Engineering, assisted with the bid letting process for the Law Enforcement Center parking lot project. Beck opened bids and verified contractor's bonds received from four contractors. After a brief discussion, the county attorney was consulted to verify two discrepancies in documents submitted by the apparent low bidder.

Motion by Bush, seconded by Mummert to table the bid letting for the Law Enforcement Center Parking Lot until the county attorney can research options for the Board of Supervisors in accepting or denying bids. Motion carried.

Mongan reported on a recent interview with an engineer candidate to fill the open full-time position in Cherokee County.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Miller to authorize the chairman to make an offer of employment to fill a full-time engineer position and to draft an employment contract including a starting salary of \$110,000 per year and four weeks of vacation, all subject to an eighteen-month probationary period. Motion carried.

The supervisors provided committee reports and discussed budget revenues, levy rates, and desired ending cash balances for the 2019/2020 fiscal year.

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Miller to authorize the chairman to sign a 28E Agreement between Buena Vista County and Cherokee County for Sharing a County Engineer with duration of the agreement being from January 15, 2019 until June 16, 2019 or earlier if terminated by either party. Roll call vote: Lundquist-aye, Mummert-aye, Miller-aye, Mongan-aye, Bush-absent. Motion carried and 28E Agreement adopted.

There being no further business, Chairman Mongan adjourned the meeting at 10:09 a.m.

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Rick Mongan, Chairman

Attest: _____
Kris Glienke, County Auditor