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**FOR THE YEAR 2008  
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK  
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA  
JANUARY 8, 2008**

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The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, January 8, 2008 with Jeff Simonsen, Mark Leeds, Terry Graybill, Dean Schmidt and Ron Wetherell. Ken Ross of the Chronicle Times was present from the press.

Tom Jenness met at the Supervisors request to verify his continued appointment as County Weed Commissioner. Jenness had indicated he was going to retire on January 1, 2008 at last year's appointment. Jenness asked to be reappointed again because with his health history he could not buy life insurance as reasonable as he can get it through the County and could not stay with County insurance without being an employee. MSP Wetherell, Schmidt to appoint Tom Jenness as County Weed Commissioner for 2008 year.

David Driggs met to discuss the contract maintenance position advertised by the Supervisors. After discussion about contract insurance, workers compensation insurance to be paid by the contractor and how this would be figured into the hourly charge for work done. The Supervisors decided to talk to the County Attorney and an insurance agent to sort out some of the issues.

Larry Clark, County Engineer presented his 2008/2009 proposed construction budget. With State and Federal grants and County funds the budget costs are \$2,015,000.00. Other road and construction projects to be started were discussed. Advertising for an Engineer to begin after Clark's retirement June 30, 2008 was discussed. At this time the Supervisors are not interested in sharing the duties with another County.

MSP Wetherell, Graybill to approve the Public Official blanket bond submitted by Miller Mac Insurance for the 2008 calendar year.

MSP Schmidt, Leeds to approve the County Recorder's quarterly report.

MSP Schmidt, Wetherell to approve the Eminent Domain Commission for 2008.

MSP Graybill, Leeds to approve the payment of claims. A full listing can be seen in the County Auditor's office.

It was noted that Liz White's term on the Public Health Board does not expire until December 31, 2008.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

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Jeff Simonsen, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bonnie Ebel, County Auditor