
**FOR THE YEAR 2008
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE, IOWA
TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2008**

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 with Dean Schmidt, Ron Wetherell, Mark Leeds, Jeff Simonsen and Terry Graybill. Ken Ross of the Chronicle Times and Gary Bowers were also present.

MSP Leeds, Schmidt to approve the amended agenda.

MSP Wetherell, Graybill to approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

Kris Glienke, Deputy Auditor and Financial Manager reported on the April fund balance, department budgets and service areas balances. A budget amendment is not necessary for the remainder of this fiscal year and all departments are within their budget totals.

Maureen Wilson, representing Senator Harkin's office, met to discuss county infrastructure issues. Next year a federal transportation bill will be drafted and information is being gathered from 99 counties to help understand the needs and issues facing each county. Larry Clark, County Engineer answered many of the questions she asked about county roads and bridges. Cherokee County has over 28 million dollars worth of bridges with an average age of over 60 years. Over 100 bridges have been posted due to weight limits and conditions. As farm equipment gets bigger and heavier more of the bridges will have limits posted on them. County roads are used by larger tractors and trucks then when roads and bridges were constructed many in the 1940's causing infrastructure damage every year.

A summary of all the information gathered will be compiled in a couple of months and reports will be made available for the County residents to view.

Lisa Langlitz, Community Services Director reviewed the County Case Management Cost report with the Supervisors. MSP Wetherell, Schmidt to approve Chairman Simonsen sign the cost report to be sent to DHS with one and one half case managers for the office.

MSP Graybill, Leeds to approve the publication of Notice for Destruction of Noxious Weeds effective June 1, 2008.

MSP Schmidt, Graybill to approve the separation of employment of Dennis Husman from Environmental Health Department with vacation payout of \$180.12.

MSP Wetherell, Leeds to send RFP's for auditing the County's books for the fiscal years 2008, 2009 and 2010.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Jeff Simonsen, Chairman

Attest: _____
Bonnie Ebel, County Auditor