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FOR THE YEAR 2016  
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK  
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA  
JUNE 21, 2016

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The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 with Dennis Bush, Rick Mongan, Gary Lundquist, Jim Peck, and Jeff Simonsen present. Dan Whitney, *Chronicle Times*, represented the press. Linda Bindner, William Gauthier, Marci Brown, Mari Radtke, Darrell Downs, Brandon Billings, and Shawn Simonsen were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Simonsen, Mongan, Lundquist, Peck, Bush; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

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

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

Ryan Kolpin, County Attorney, presented a resolution and agreement with Little Sioux Corn Processors (LSCP) to provide terms for paving F Avenue and distribution of tax increment finance (TIF) revenues in the urban renewal area. Kolpin advised tabling the documents until the LSCP board has approved the document.

Brandon Billings, County Engineer, reported on design plans received from a consultant for paving a section of 480<sup>th</sup> Street by the Little Sioux Corn Processors ethanol plant and requested a bid letting date.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Lundquist to set a 9:15 a.m. bid letting on Tuesday, July 26, 2016 for the 480<sup>th</sup> Street paving project. Motion carried.

The supervisors reviewed wage increases requested by department managers effective July 1, 2016 for the 2016/2017 fiscal year. Union contracts include a 2.25% increase and the supervisors had suggested the same increase for non-union positions as well. A request of 10% increase (\$300) for the General Assistance position was discussed.

Motion by Mongan, seconded by Peck to approve a wage listing as presented including wages and salaries for all county employees effective July 1, 2016 with a change in the General Assistance salary to 3.33% (\$100 increase). Motion carried.

Motion by Simonsen, seconded by Lundquist to appropriate the 2016/2017 fiscal year budget at 100% for all departments. Motion carried.

Motion by Peck, seconded by Simonsen to accept a resignation from Dan Pingel, Sheridan Township Clerk. Motion carried.

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Mongan to authorize the Chairman to sign fireworks permits for James Steffen, Steve Specht, and Gary Dodd. Motion carried.

The supervisors provided committee reports and reviewed meeting schedules.

Darrell Downs, Marcus Economic Development, introduced Chris Sternhagen, EDF Renewable Energy Development Manager, and Derrick Westenberg, NexGen Land Services Right of Way Agent. Sternhagen gave an informative presentation about a proposed renewable energy project in northwest Cherokee County that would include up to 200 total megawatts or approximately 100 wind turbines. Sternhagen reported that EDF is currently meeting with local land owners to secure easements for the project and there has been strong support from the local communities.

There being no further business, Chairman Bush adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

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Dennis Bush, Chairman

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