
FOR THE YEAR 2019
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
DECEMBER 30, 2019

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Monday, December 30, 2019 with Dennis Bush, Rick Mongan, Gary Lundquist, Duane Mummert, and Wane Miller present. There were no representatives from the press. Dave Skou, Mike McDonald, Stu Hogg, Don Fiser, and Willie Allbaugh were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Lundquist, Bush, Mummert, Miller, Mongan; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Wane Miller, Veteran Affairs Commissioner.

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

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

Debbie Erpelding, Cherokee County 4-H Youth Coordinator, provided an informational presentation about multiple programs provided to 173 Cherokee County 4-H members in the 2019 calendar year. Numerous after school and summer programs were also well received with 1,100 youth participating. 4-H members Rebecca Jochims and Olivia Jochims told the supervisors what 4-H programs they participate in and how they have applied new skills to their everyday lives including becoming better prepared to take on leadership roles in their peer groups. The supervisors thanked Erpelding for her dedication and efforts to expand the 4-H program for the youth of Cherokee County.

Megan Combes, Aurelia Daycare Director, and Jennifer Marshall, Aurelia Three-Year-Old Preschool Teacher, reported on services provided to area families and described difficulties in maintaining staff due to a shortage of available funding. The licensed childcare center has a waiting list and would be able to accommodate another room for babies if funds were available to equip the room and hire additional staff. The supervisors provided several suggestions for potential funding sources and suggested the daycare center compile a wish list of items and their costs so that individuals or businesses could contribute to specific items.

Dave Skou, 911 Communications Director, reported on delays with having county radio repeater equipment installed on a DOT tower outside of Meriden. A memorandum of understanding between the DOT and Cherokee County was signed in 2018, yet the project has been delayed by the DOT and Motorola as an area network is being completely reconfigured. Chris Maiers, DOT Project Manager, was in attendance to answer questions and assured the supervisors that the project will be completed in 2020.

Willie Allbaugh, Quimby Councilman, reported that the City of Quimby held a public hearing and took action to request assistance from Cherokee County in the form of a \$165,000 Anticipation Project Note titled "FEMA Emergency Sewer Line 2019".

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Miller to approve a \$165,000 Anticipation Project Note payment from Cherokee County's general fund to the City of Quimby for the purpose of paying costs of FEMA CatB disaster response improvements and extension to Municipal Wastewater, including construction of a temporary sewer line, trucking of municipal wastewater, and riverbank structural rip-rap, and related improvements, in conformity to a Resolution of the Quimby City Council duly passed and approved, for the purposes of defraying part of the cost of the "FEMA Emergency Sewer Line 2019 Project". Motion carried.

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Mummert to approve publication of a proposed budget amendment for the current 2019/2020 fiscal year and to set a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. on January 21, 2020. Motion carried.

The supervisors provided committee reports and reviewed meeting schedules.

Mongan called for comments from the public and none were offered from those in attendance.

There being no further business, Chairman Mongan adjourned the meeting at 10:23 a.m.

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Rick Mongan, Chairman

Attest: _____
Kris Glienke, County Auditor