
FOR THE YEAR 2020
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
OCTOBER 6, 2020

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 with Rick Mongan, Gary Lundquist, Duane Mummert, Wane Miller, and Dennis Bush present. Nick Brewer, *Chronicle Times*, represented the press. William Gauthier, Derek Scott and Justin Pritts were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Mongan, Bush, Mummert, Miller, Lundquist; 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 Mongan, seconded by Bush to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Barb Staver, Sheriff's Department, presented a revenue report for consideration.

Motion by Mongan, seconded by Mummert to accept the Sheriff's \$31,999.88 September 30, 2020 Quarterly Revenue Report as presented with \$23,285.08 retained by the county. Motion carried.

Kelly Puhmann, Assistant Engineer, presented utility permits and a wage authorization for consideration.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Bush to approve an overhead construction on county right of way application for MidAmerican Energy in Section 14 of Liberty Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Mongan to approve an underground construction on county right of way application for WesTel Systems in Sections 10 and 11 of Rock Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Bush, seconded by Mongan to approve a \$23.03 wage authorization for Daniel Martin, Secondary Roads Operator, effective October 26, 2020. Motion carried.

Larry Walker, Secondary Roads Superintendent, discussed a new contract drafted by the County Attorney to extend a current lease with Ray Dorr for gravel mining with a new ending date of July 1, 2025. The supervisors reviewed the document. Walker discussed that the engineer has signed leases in the past and there was no need for supervisor action on the amended contract. Consensus of the board was to have the Secondary Roads Department finalize a new contract extending a current gravel mining lease with Ray Dorr.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Miller to authorize the chairman to sign a grant agreement with the Center for Tech and Civic Life for \$5,000.00 to be used exclusively for the public purpose of planning and implementing safe and secure election administration in Cherokee County in 2020. Motion carried.

The supervisors provided committee reports and reviewed meeting schedules.

Lundquist called for comments from the public. Stu Hogg reported that he is having the county website redesigned and would like public input about what information they would like to see available. Hogg also would like the public to submit photos from around the county to possibly be included on the website. Photos and comments can be submitted to website@co.cherokee.ia.us. Justin Pritts reported on the current number of COVID cases in Cherokee County. Pritts asked all in attendance to remind other county employees that the lower level of the courthouse is not to be used for public entrances. County employees should not open the locked doors to allow people to enter, but should advise the public to use the upper level entrances and the elevator if needed to access offices on the lower level. The north entrance of the courthouse is handicap accessible for public use.

There being no further business, Chairman Lundquist adjourned the meeting at 9:42 a.m.

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Gary Lundquist, Chairman

Attest: _____
Kris Glienke, County Auditor