

FOR THE YEAR 2021
 BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
 CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
 JANUARY 12, 2021

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 with Rick Mongan, Gary Lundquist, Duane Mummert, Bryan Petersen and Wane Miller present. There were no representatives from the press. Jerry Weiland, William Gauthier and Justin Pritts were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes –Mongan, Petersen, Mummert, Miller, Lundquist; Nays – none; Abstentions – none.

Chairman Lundquist called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

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

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

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Petersen to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Mongan, seconded by Mummert to approve the claims for payment as presented. Motion carried.

A complete listing is available for review in the County Auditor's office and online.

Claims Approved January 12, 2021:

Airgas USA, LLC	Serv	1,927.65
Alliant Energy	Serv	1,184.33
Alpha Wireless Communications	Equip	290.00
Arnold Motor Supply	Parts	779.65
Aurelia Day Care	Allocation	5,000.00
Beck Engineering	Serv	835.00
Blaine's Culligan	Supp	93.70
Bomgaars	Supp	503.37
Richard Boothby	Serv	500.00
Buena Vista County Sheriff	Fees	37.50
Builders Sharpening & Serv	Parts	384.99
Calhoun Burns Associates, Inc	Serv	1,857.90
Cardmember Service	Supp	1,625.74
Carroll Construction Supply	Parts	100.00
CenturyLink E911	Serv	373.44
CenturyLink Qwest	Serv	156.55
Cherokee County Engineer	Fuel	2,067.20
Cherokee County Sheriff	Fees	42.78
Cherokee County Solid Waste	Approp	22,688.33
Cherokee State Bank Flex	Flex/Self Fund	1,569.32
Cherokee Regional Medical CTR	Approp	664.50
Cherokee Rural Water	Serv	87.30
Chronicle Times	Publ	635.40
Cintas	Supp	68.87
City of Cherokee	Serv	2,211.81
City of Marcus	Serv	21.02
City of Meriden	Serv	19.00
City of Quimby	Serv	43.00
Clay County Treasurer	Supp	360.20
CML Telephone Coop	Serv	1,469.86
Counsel	Serv	50.18
Country Tire & Service, Inc.	Serv	757.74
Dave Morrow	Serv	443.53
Dearborn National Life Insur	Life Ins	1,045.31
De Jong Oil & Repair	Serv	6,742.30
Discover	Supp	410.80
Kelly Ebel	Safety	150.00
Evertex, Inc.	Serv	400.00
First Cooperative Association	Serv	13,625.11

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FORCE America Distributing,LLC	Parts	494.26
Fox Hydraulics	Parts	500.00
GovConnection, Inc.	Supp	433.01
GreatAmerica Financial Svcs	Serv	164.46
Growmark FS	Fuel	1,717.36
Steven Holmes	Safety	117.68
Holzauer Motors LTD	Serv	736.00
Hy-Vee Inc.	Supp	10.57
Iowa County Attorneys Assoc	Regist	350.00
Iowa Division of Labor Serv	Inspect	120.00
IA Emergency Management Asso.	Dues	175.00
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy	Serv	150.00
Iowa Secretary of State	Renew	30.00
Iowa State Sheriffs & Deputies	Membership	75.00
Iowa Workforce Development	Unemployment	100.04
ISAA	Memberships	680.00
ISG Field Services LLC	Inspect	30,518.78
Jacks Uniforms & Equipment	Clothing	73.28
Janitor's Closet, Ltd	Supp	125.28
Julius Cleaners	Serv	48.30
David A Julius	Safety	111.26
Joshua A Keck	Safety	150.00
Legislative Services Agency	Regist	265.00
Marcia R. McCarthy	Serv	11.00
Marco	Serv	142.56
Marco Technologies LLC	Serv	106.55
Marcus News	Publ	811.86
Marcus Lumber	Supp	22.90
Martin Marietta Materials	Supp	637.78
Matheson Tri-Gas Inc.	Supp	138.38
Mid American Energy	Serv	975.12
Mid States Organized Crime	Dues	100.00
Midwest Lubricants, Inc	Supp	155.44
Midwest Wheel	Parts	544.25
Mills & Miller, Inc.	Salt	3,729.25
Modern Heating & Cooling, Inc	Serv	280.63
Motor Parts Sales	Parts	742.88
Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co	Parts	352.91
Northside Tire	Serv	36.75
Nuvera	Serv	545.60
O'Halloran International	Parts	291.05
O'Brien County Sheriff	Fees	51.00
Garrett M Ogren	Safety	37.47
One Office Solution	Supp	49.30
PJ Greufe & Associates	Serv	1,500.00
Power Systems AHS,LLC	Supp	103.37
Timothy Rice	Stipend	5,000.00
Sanitary Services Inc	Serv	450.21
Kenneth D Schlenger	Safety	27.90
Schmillen Construction Inc	Serv	6,237.00
Share Corp	Supp	366.46
The Sidwell Company	Serv	1,501.50
Solutions, Inc.	Serv	575.37

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Storey Kenworthy/Matt Parrott	Supp	1,359.60
The Storm Lake Times	Publ	985.70
Thomson Reuters-West	Fees	1,017.37
TNT Sales & Service	Parts	377.05
Sarah A Tracy	Reimb	100.00
Treasurer State of Iowa	Sales Tax	575.00
Triple C Pest Control	Serv	80.00
Truck Center Companies East	Parts	1,241.47
UST Testing Services Inc	Serv	400.00
Valley Glass & Framing Co	Serv	22.00
Van Diest Supply Company	Supp	2,467.50
Verizon Wireless	Serv	1,613.25
Waldners Lawn Service Inc	Serv	1,300.00
WesTel Systems	Serv	719.17
Windstream Iowa-Comm. Inc.	Serv	273.21
Woodbury County Sheriff	Fees	30.00
Steven J Zarr	Safety	64.99
Ziegler Inc	Supp	1,033.71
Grand Total		\$147,553.17

Sam Boothby, County Recorder, presented a revenue report for consideration.

Motion by Mongan, seconded by Miller to approve the County Recorder's \$96,194.96 December 31, 2020 Quarterly Revenue Report with \$32,697.57 retained by the county. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Miller, seconded by Mummert to accept the Sheriff's \$40,653.27 December 31, 2020 Quarterly Revenue Report as presented with \$29,068.87 retained by the county. Motion carried.

Derek Scott, County Sheriff, informed the board that two vehicles were budgeted for replacement in the 2020/2021 budget but he will only be purchasing one vehicle before the year ending June 30, 2021 and will use the remaining funds to purchase body cameras and related equipment for all deputies. Scott discussed staffing changes and reported a full-time secretary position will not be filled but a part-time office/jailer position will be added with a 24 hour per week schedule. A full-time dispatcher position will be posted and a temporary part-time dispatcher position will be filled but will go to an on-call status after the communications center is fully staffed again.

Justin Pritts, Emergency Management Coordinator, discussed a \$10,500 state grant he applied for to update equipment in a back-up Emergency Operations Center (EOC) that was originally supposed to be 100% funded. Pritts received notice that the county must provide 50% matching funds and requested \$5,250 from the supervisors to complete the purchase of 30 chairs and 12 tables for the Cherokee Fire Department conference room.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Miller provide \$5,250 of matching funds paid from the Rural Betterment Fund for the purpose of updating equipment in a back-up EOC located at the Cherokee Fire Department. Motion carried.

Curt Miller, Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council (SIMPCO), made an informative presentation about daily operations of the Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS) and answered questions about budgets and cash reserves. Mummert asked about the current policy of requiring the public to give a 24-hour notice to schedule a ride. Miller replied that their computerized dispatch system is being updated to allow same day rides if they can be worked into drivers' schedules; but it is far more efficient to pre-schedule routes as a cost saving measure. It was also discussed that more information needs to be provided to the general public to overcome a misconception that SRTS is only available to persons with special needs. Anyone from the public can utilize the bus services by calling the dispatch office and will be charged per trip. Mummert also asked about the status of having a bus depot in Cherokee. Miller advised that current capital project plans are underway for a seven-million-dollar facility in rural Woodbury County to operate the SRTS fleet and SIMPCO offices, however, future plans include building new bus depots in Plymouth and Cherokee Counties to house busses and offer conference rooms with restroom facilities for local drivers. Lundquist inquired about intended uses of cash reserves held by the SRTS

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program. Miller reassured the board that cash reserves are designated for replacement of the fifty (50) bus fleet on a four-year cycle in addition to current reserves being drawn down to supplement monthly losses incurred due to reduced numbers of rides and increased costs per mile as a result of the pandemic. The supervisors thanked Miller for the information and for answering their questions. Cherokee County currently provides annual funding of \$29,860 to the SRTS program.

The supervisors provided committee reports and reviewed meeting schedules.

Lundquist called for comments from the public. William Gauthier made comments regarding the local SRTS operation in Cherokee County and expressed concern that the program is not being utilized to its full capacity.

Kris Glienke, County Auditor, provided additional budget worksheets completed by county departments and discussed desired ending cash balances for the next fiscal year. Budget review will continue weekly until the proposed fiscal year 2021/2022 budget is prepared.

There being no further business, Chairman Lundquist adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

All board agendas and minutes are available online at www.cherokeecountyiowa.com.

Gary Lundquist, Chairman

Attest: _____
Kris Glienke, County Auditor