

FOR THE YEAR 2022
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 with Gary Lundquist, Rick Mongan, Duane Mummert, Bryan Petersen and Wane Miller present. Tom Cullen, Chronicle Times, represented the press. Don Drefke, Kenny Schlenger, Chuck Waggoner, Sarah Tracy, Justin Pritts, Lisa Bringle and Stu Hogg were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes –Lundquist, Petersen, Mummert, Miller, Mongan; Nays – none; Abstentions – one.

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

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

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Miller to approve claims for payment as presented. Motion carried. A complete listing is available for review in the County Auditor's office and online.

Claims Approved September 13, 2022:

AgState Cherokee Agronomy	Fuel	34,549.66
Alliant Energy	Serv	90.31
Alpha Wireless Communications	Equip	281.20
Aurelia Historical Society	Approp	625.00
Aurelia Municipal Utility	Serv	56.14
Beck Engineering	Serv	9,960.00
Robert Berger	Travel Reimb	36.00
Blaine's Culligan	Supp	187.85
Bob Barker Company Inc.	Supp	78.96
Boji Portable Toilets Inc	Serv	126.00
Bomgaars	Supp	1,578.64
Samantha J Boothby	Travel Reimb	576.13
L&L Builders Co.	HVAC Pymt#1	7,306.45
Builders Sharpening & Serv	Parts	132.66
CAASA	Approp	1,250.00
Cherokee Area Economic Devel	Approp	49,375.00
Calhoun Burns Associates, Inc	Serv	35,524.10
Campbell Supply Co	Parts	192.71
Cardmember Service	Supp	2,191.20
Central Bank	Supp	112.42
CenturyLink Qwest	Serv	162.88
Champion Electric, Inc	Serv	109.49
Chase Card Services Cardmember	Supp	932.85
Cherokee Co Emergency Services	Approp	20,000.00
Cherokee County Engineer	Fuel	3,553.07
Cherokee County Hazmat	Approp	2,925.00
Cherokee County Sheriff	Fees	40.44
Cherokee County Solid Waste	Alloc	22,688.34
Cherokee State Bank	Flex/Self Fund	3,189.22
Cherokee Library	Approp	3,850.00
Cherokee Main Street Pharmacy	Medication	14.26
Cherokee Regional Medical CTR	Contract	41,601.01
Cherokee Rural Water	Serv	251.40
Christenson Brothers	Projects	264,195.26
Cintas	Supp	7.15
City of Cherokee	Serv	36.62
City of Marcus	Serv	16.57
City of Meriden	Serv	25.00
City of Quimby	Serv	63.00
CML Telephone Coop	Serv	1,976.59

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Cole Papers Inc	Supp	48.58
Counsel Visual Edge IT	Serv	60.42
Country Tire & Service, Inc.	Serv	2,321.95
DE Linda Leu	Serv	26.50
Brian Denery	Per Diem	50.00
Denny's Heating A/C & Plumbing	Serv	51,347.91
Kimberly Dierenfeld	Reimb	6.00
Discover	Supp	55.80
Dixon Construction Co	Construction	104,156.63
Joseph W Draper	Travel Reimb	69.00
Don Drefke	Per Diem	50.00
Engineering Design Associates	Serv	2,778.75
Joel M Ehrig	Travel Reimb	320.50
Dave Ellis	Per Diem	50.00
Evertex, Inc.	Serv	400.00
Fareway	Groceries	2,334.50
FORCE America Distributing, LLC	Parts	132.68
Foundation Analytical Lab	Serv	99.00
Kristine L Glienke	Travel Reimb	182.50
GovConnection, Inc.	Supp	444.77
Grand Meadow Heritage	Approp	625.00
Graves Construction Co., Inc	Construction	310,063.41
GreatAmerica Financial Svcs	Serv	747.69
Growmark FS	Fuel	8,774.47
High Country Auto	Serv	237.00
Holzhauer Ford Cherokee, Inc.	Serv	235.26
Holzhauer Motors LTD	Vehicle	47,812.09
Hunzelman Putzier & Co PLC	Audit Fees	5,829.14
HyVee Pharmacy	Supp	176.23
I-State Truck Center NW	Parts	7,409.58
Inland Truck Parts	Parts	3,325.00
Interstate Battery System	Parts	374.85
Iowa Department of Revenue	Sales Tax	144.50
Iowa Environmental Health Assc	Fees	120.00
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy	Serv	750.00
Iowa Prison Industries	Parts	1,341.36
Jacks Uniforms & Equipment	Clothing	86.94
Janitor's Closet, Ltd	Supp	370.91
Roger Johnson	Well Closure	500.00
Julius Cleaners	Serv	55.50
KCHE	Ads	214.00
Thomas J Kohn	Reimb	45.00
Loughlin Law Firm	Fees	150.00
Mail Services, LLC	Postage	475.15
Marco	Serv	513.71
Marcus Ambulance Fund	Alloc	8,500.00
Marcus Library	Approp	2,392.50
Marcus Lumber	Supp	596.01
Marcus News	Publ	665.28
Martin Marietta Materials	Supp	3,153.12
Mid American Energy	Serv	4,362.07
Mid-American Benefits, Inc.	Admin Fees	591.50
Midwest Lubricants, Inc	Supp	737.00

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Midwest Wheel Companies	Parts	1,888.77
Wane A Miller	Per Diem	50.00
Motor Parts Sales	Parts	13.07
Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co	Parts	1,800.50
Northside Tire	Serv	5,630.26
Nuvera	Serv	57.13
O'Halloran International	Parts	357.28
One Office Solution	Supp	220.20
Polk County Treasurer Med Exam	Fees	284.77
Pottawattamie County Sheriff	Fees	35.00
Quimby Library	Approp	2,392.50
Sanitary Services Inc	Serv	848.65
SCE, LLC	Parts	165.00
SHI International Corp	Supp	1,000.40
Sioux County Sheriff	Fees	81.00
Sioux Valley Family Health	Serv	187.00
Siouxland Regional Transit Sys	Approp	7,465.00
SRFax Consensus Cloud Solution	Serv	66.00
Barb Steward	Serv	300.00
Thomson Reuters-West	Fees	595.33
Thrifty White Pharmacy	Supp	126.58
Titan Machinery	Supp	32.50
Triple C Pest Control	Serv	110.00
Truck Center Companies	Parts	1,695.13
UST Testing Services Inc	Serv	1,200.00
Vanguard Appraisals Inc	Serv	11,625.00
Verizon Wireless	Serv	1,836.21
Washer Systems of Iowa Inc	Serv	1,250.50
Washta Library	Approp	2,392.50
WesTel Systems	Serv	405.59
Western Iowa Tourism Region	Serv	500.00
Nissa M White	Travel Reimb	69.00
WHKS & Co	Serv	37,625.82
Wiese Oil & Supply	Fuel	5,870.79
Windstream Iowa-Comm. Inc.	Serv	782.49
Ziegler Inc	Supp	2,962.82
360 Custom Designs	Serv	32.00
Grand Total		\$1,178,133.13

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Miller to open a public hearing for Sale of Tax Sale Certificates on Real Estate by Cherokee County, Iowa. Roll call vote: Lundquist-aye, Petersen-aye, Mummert-aye, Miller-aye, Mongan-aye. Motion carried. Chairman Mongan asked for comments from the public.

Hearing no comments from the public, a motion was made by Miller, seconded by Mummert to close the public hearing. Roll call vote: Lundquist-aye, Petersen-aye, Mummert-aye, Miller-aye, Mongan-aye. Motion carried.

One bid was received and opened by Chairman Mongan.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Petersen to accept a \$400.00 bid from Apple Grove Investments, Inc. for a Tax Sale Certificate for parcel #07-34-207-007 in Cherokee, Iowa. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Mummert to adopt Resolution #2022-32 Disposing of Tax Sale Certificates

"WHEREAS, Cherokee County, Iowa has resolved to sell and assign tax sale certificates for the described real property: Parcel Number 07-34-207-007 more fully described as follows: Lot Fourteen (14) Block Twenty One

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(21) Blairs Addition to the Town of Cherokee subject to restriction and easement of record now included in and forming a part of the County of Cherokee, State of Iowa;

WHEREAS, public notice has been provided per Iowa Code 331.305 and 331.361 notifying the public of the intent to sell and assign said tax sale certificates and requesting bids on the same.

WHEREAS, this being the time and place of said public hearing and the submitted bids being reviewed, it is hereby resolved that the property tax sale certificates be sold and assigned to the highest bidder, Apple Grove Investments, Inc., for the sum of \$400.00.

WHEREAS, the Cherokee County Board of Supervisors does hereby resolve to assign the above described tax sale certificates to Apple Grove Investments, Inc.” Roll call vote: Lundquist-aye, Petersen-aye, Mummert-aye, Miller-aye, Mongan-aye. Motion carried and resolution adopted.

Chuck Waggoner, Larrabee property owner, asked for details regarding a tax sale certificate property that he bought in March 2022. Waggoner was under the impression that his bid included all taxes and penalties due on the property and now he has received a property tax statement for an additional \$1,000 of delinquent taxes and interest going back to 2005. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was offered by Mummert and seconded by Petersen to table the topic until further information can be gathered from the Treasurer's office.

Sarah Tracy, County Engineer, presented utility permits for consideration and provided a construction project update.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Miller to approve an underground construction application on county right of way for CML Telephone in Section 14 of Cedar Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Petersen, seconded by Lundquist to approve an underground construction application on county right of way for CML Telephone in Sections 5 and 6 of Pilot Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Petersen, seconded by Mummert to approve an underground construction application on county right of way for CML Telephone in Sections 27 and 28 of Sheridan Township. Motion carried.

Tracy reported on current construction projects including two bridge replacements, three new culverts and paving on C16. A start date on the C38 bridge beam rehab project east of Cherokee is yet to be determined due to material delays. Issues have arisen with right of way purchases or environmental studies associated with four bridge replacement projects scheduled for the next construction season, however, engineering staff are working through the process. The L51 intersection in the City of Quimby has still not been fixed by the contractor and since it is a city project with federal aid funds, the county has no authority to get involved.

Kenny Schlenger, Roads Superintendent, discussed availability of new pickup trucks and asked for permission to purchase a new Dodge truck to replace the sign truck that has almost 100,000 miles on it. The current sign truck would be put into the fleet and an older truck would be traded. Consensus of the board was to authorize Schlenger to purchase a new Dodge pickup as proposed. Schlenger also expressed his concern that if a bad storm hit and the electricity was out, trucks would not start and the office would be down. He proposes to purchase a 60kw stand by generator that would be permanently installed and would be sufficient to run the entire Secondary Roads complex. The supervisors advised Schlenger to move forward with his plan to purchase and install a stand by generator.

Don Drefke, Marcus Legion, requested \$700 for honor guard apparel including hats, gloves, stocking caps, and other necessities for new members.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Petersen to approve a \$700 payment from the Rural Betterment Fund for the Marcus Legion Honor Guard. Motion carried with Miller abstaining.

Trivium Life Services representatives Matt Zima, Kevin Allen and Terry Friedrichsen requested a December 1, 2022 deadline for relocating their offices from the current location. After a lengthy brainstorming session, the supervisors and Trivium representatives agreed to draft an amended agreement to include a December 1st deadline for Trivium to be completely moved out of the county owned building and garage at 322 Lake Street, Cherokee.

Motion by Petersen, seconded by Mummert to approve the Fiscal Year 2022 Urban Renewal Report including County rebates paid through Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) districts. Motion carried.

The supervisors reviewed notices sent to local tax authorities impacted by two property tax rebates provided by Cherokee County during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. The total amount diverted from Cherokee County during the 2022 fiscal year for development agreements with Sand Seed and the Little Sioux Corn Processors Ethanol

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Plant, was \$36,705.92. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 77, Cherokee County is required to disclose tax abatement information related to urban renewal areas that impact tax collections in return for economic development and/or other benefits.

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Miller to approve the June 30, 2022 GASB 77 letters as prepared by the County Auditor. Motion carried.

Motion by Lundquist, seconded by Mummert to approve property tax suspensions per DHS guidelines under Iowa Code 427.9 for the following parcel: 84-12-10-278-005. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Mummert to appoint Corey Kempers, Jennifer Ryen, and Lynne Lauck as Cherokee County Iowa Medical Examiner Investigators. Motion carried.

Ryan Kolpin, County Attorney, presented a wage authorization for consideration.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Miller to approve a \$47,500 wage authorization for Elizabeth Warnke, Legal Assistant/Paralegal, effective September 19, 2022. Motion carried.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Petersen to approve a separation of employment and \$7,059.91 final payout of vacation, longevity and hours worked for Dave Skou, E911 Communication Center Director, effective August 26, 2022. Motion carried.

The supervisors discussed changes to county funding of mental health related services as adopted in Senate File 619. The 2022 legislation states that counties shall no longer provide funds for support of mental health services as they are now fully funded by the State of Iowa. Miller suggested that the supervisors need to determine a cost per square foot for office space in the courthouse utilized by the Rolling Hills Region and actual expenses for unemployment and worker's compensation coverage that the county is providing for a region employee. The supervisors asked the County Auditor to compile cost figures for consideration at the next meeting.

Motion by Petersen, seconded by Lundquist to approve a "Cherokee County Provider and Program Participation Agreement" for fiscal year 2023 county funding of covered services provided by the Marcus Historical Society for the benefit of Cherokee County citizens and individuals. Motion carried.

Motion by Petersen, seconded by Mummert to approve a "Cherokee County Provider and Program Participation Agreement" for fiscal year 2023 county funding of covered services provided by the Cherokee County EMS Association for the benefit of Cherokee County citizens and individuals. Motion carried.

The supervisors provided committee reports and reviewed meeting schedules.

Mongan called for comments from the public. Justin Pritts, Emergency Management Coordinator, reported on the Red Cross response to a recent apartment fire in Cherokee.

There being no further business, Chairman Mongan called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Petersen to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

All board agendas and minutes are available online at cherokeecounty.iowa.gov.

Rick Mongan, Chairman

Attest: _____
Kris Glienke, County Auditor