

FOR THE YEAR 2024
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
AUGUST 27, 2024

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, August 27, 2024 with Rick Mongan, Bryan Petersen, Duane Mummert, Cheryl Ellis and Dave Skou present. Erin Rydgren, Chronicle Times, and Madeline Combs, Storm Lake Times, represented the press. Gary Lundquist, Paula Voss, Steve Zarr, Merlyn Bertz, Derek Scott, Samantha Boothby, Sarah Tracy, Brett Gallahan, Harry Finch, Stu Hogg, Kelly Puhrmann, Beau Menke, Kenny Schlenger, Joel Ehrig and Justin Pritts were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Ellis, Skou, Mummert, Petersen, Mongan; Nayes – none; Abstentions – none.

Chairman Mongan called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Skou seconded by Petersen to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Skou 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 August 27, 2024:

AgState	Fuel	8,013.38
Alliant Energy	Serv	62.77
Aurelia Lumber	Supp	89.92
Barco Municipal Products Inc	Supp	89.00
Beck Engineering	Serv	5,025.00
Bomgaars	Supp	455.63
Bottjen Implement	Parts	1,130.25
Builders Sharpening & Serv	Parts	298.87
C & B Operations, LLC	Equip	169.98
Campbell Supply Co	Parts	37.60
Central Bank	Supp	2,067.66
Central Iowa Distributing	Supp	944.00
CenturyLink	Serv	95.29
CenturyLink Qwest	Serv	82.02
Champion Electric, Inc	Serv	831.24
Cherokee County Treasurer	Taxes	916.00
Cherokee State Bank Flex/Merp	Flex/Self Fund	5,240.31
Cherokee Regional Medical Ctr.	Health Serv	850.46
Cherokee Regional Medical CTR	Contract	31,865.27
Cherokee Chronicle Times	Publ	18.18
City of Cherokee	Serv	935.79
CML Telephone Coop	Serv	116.58
Dearborn Life Insurance Co	Life Ins	1,296.98
Deer Valley Mechanical, Inc	Serv	364.00
Denny's Heating	Serv	338.93
Diamond Mowers	Parts	798.47
Marilyn Dorr Lawrence D Dorr	ROW	19,680.00
Ebert's	Equip	549.95
Fareway	Groceries	748.55
First National Bank of Omaha	Travel Reimb	497.48
Foundation Analytical Lab	Serv	38.50
Melvin Fritz	ROW	600.00
Frontier	Serv	129.95
Gordon Flesch Company	Serv	85.63
GovConnection, Inc.	Supp	726.89
GreatAmerica Financial Svcs	Serv	73.00
H&S Electric	Serv	278.61
Hallett Materials	Gravel	3,360.89

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Holzhauer Motors LTD	Serv	943.47
Hy-Vee Inc.	Supp	68.40
I-State Truck Center	Truck	16.89
Iowa Department of Revenue	Sales Tax	226.00
Iowa Lakes Electric Coop	Serv	1,809.00
IA Lakes Regional Water	Serv	121.44
Jebro Inc	Supp	3,869.75
Jim Hawk Truck Trailers Inc	Parts	8.04
JJSS, LLC	Serv	422.50
Marco	Serv	331.59
Marcus Lumber	Supp	72.99
Martin Marietta Materials	Supp	10,283.31
Monica Mayer	ROW	19,560.00
Mid American Energy	Serv	4,239.87
Midwest Lubricants, Inc	Supp	550.00
Midwest Wheel Companies	Parts	1,462.24
Ashley Miller	Serv	600.00
Modern Heating & Cooling, Inc	Serv	148.84
Motor Parts Sales	Parts	375.11
Mud On Main	Supp	330.00
Nelson Electric	Serv	312.60
New Century FS	Fuel	6,756.89
Northside Tire	Serv	1,543.63
One Office Solution	Supp	613.28
Steven Peters Family Farms LLC	ROW	59,970.00
Pilot Rock Sign Shop	Supp	610.85
Gene Polson	ROW	21,660.00
Prestox	Serv	182.73
Sanitary Services Inc	Serv	116.70
SEAT Treasurer	Dues	50.00
Secretary of State Notary	Dues	60.00
Sioux Valley Family Health	Serv	140.00
Craig Strub	ROW	61,980.00
T & L TOOLS	Supp	49.95
Thompson Propane	Supplies	2,479.37
Towmaster Inc	Parts	69.99
Truck Center Companies	Parts	223.74
Verizon Wireless	Serv	734.38
Vestis	Uniforms	172.50
Visual Edge IT	Serv	247.75
Wellmark BCBS of Iowa	Insurance	110,386.24
Ziegler Inc	Supp	218.24
360 Custom Designs	Serv	510.00
Grand Total		403,431.31

There were no comments from the public.

Parties involved with the nuisance property located at 1587 510th Street, Cherokee included Sarah Tracy, Zoning Administrator, Derek Scott, Sheriff and Justin Pritts, Environmental Health. The County Attorney and County Treasurer were unable to attend the meeting. Continued discussions centered on how to proceed with the nuisance property. The topic will be scheduled for the September 10th agenda, so all parties involved can be present at the meeting.

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Derek Scott, County Sheriff, presented a wage authorization for consideration.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Skou to approve a \$19.00 per hour wage authorization for Ashlyn Gimer, Jailer, effective August 27, 2024. Motion carried.

Brett Gallahan and Harry Finch, Invenergy, provided an informative overview of the Meadow Star windfarm project in southeast Cherokee County with construction expected to begin in 2027.

Beau Menke, Meriden Mayor, requested funding for a project to update the Meriden Community Center and playground.

The supervisors asked Menke to report back with financial figures after local fundraising efforts have been implemented. At that time, the board will consider a match with county funds.

Motion by Skou, seconded by Petersen to appoint Adam Glienke to the Zoning Board effective August 27, 2024. Motion carried.

Motion by Ellis, seconded by Mummert to update language in the Cherokee County Personnel Policy for the purpose of clarifying when employee leave time benefits are available for use by stating "Sick leave, Vacation and Comp time can only be used after it has been earned and paid. (This paid date is defined as the end of the day that payroll has been concluded and the earned time is showing on your paystub as being deposited to your leave time bank.)" The new policy language will become effective on August 27, 2024. Motion carried.

Motion by Ellis, seconded by Skou to approve a separation of employment and \$752.50 final payout of hours worked for Jim Leonard, Secondary Roads Seasonal Labor, effective August 8, 2024. Motion carried.

The supervisors provided committee reports and reviewed meeting schedules.

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

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Skou to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

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Attest:

Rick Mongan, Chairman

Kris Glienke, County Auditor