
FOR THE YEAR 2008
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK
CHEROKEE COUNTY, IOWA
March 11, 2008

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, March 11, 2008 with Ron Wetherell, Mark Leeds, Jeff Simonsen, Dean Schmidt and Terry Graybill. Mike Leckband of the Chronicle Times and Dwight Varce were also present.

Roger Frisbie and Hank Hayes representing the Cherokee Fire Department met to discuss the purchase of a heavy duty rescue van. By 2009 all firemen responding to a fire will be required to be belted in the vehicle going to and coming back to the station. Total cost of the van is \$223,963.00 with the fire districts of Cherokee, Pilot, Spring Townships paying \$60,000.00 over a 10 year period. About 1/3rd of the fire calls come from the Townships. MSP Graybill, Wetherell to allocate \$25,000.00 to the Cherokee Fire Department in fiscal year 2009 from County Betterment Fund.

Marina Fuhrman and Ellen Dierenfield from Jackson Recovery Center gave a report on the services provided in Cherokee County including outpatient services for adults and adolescents. The Cherokee office works with resources in the community including DHS, Department of Corrections, Juvenile Court Services, Adult Drug Court and mental health providers. They also are a provider for 1-800-Bets Off line to provide services to problem gamblers and their family members. Linnea Fletcher Director of Prevention Services works with high schools to provide education to teens regarding substance abuse. There is also a program for middle school girls to encourage self esteem and education about substance abuse. County dollars are part of the prevention programs with a grant from the Iowa Department of Public Health. MSP Schmidt, Graybill to authorize chairman Simonsen sign the IA Dept. of Public Health County Substance Abuse Prevention Services request for bid for fiscal year 2009.

Supervisor Wetherell left the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Lisa Langlitz, Community Services Director and Robin Harlow, ISAC Technology Project Manager met to discuss the replacement of the CoMIS system for reporting client information with DHS, with County community Services Network or County CSN. The County CSN if being accomplished by merging the Community Services business processes with the Electronic Transaction Clearinghouse or ETC, the system will capture transactions related to community services and deliver them to the proper individual for authorization. An ETC member will be HIPAA compliant and will have the use of a tool that will reduce data entry, connect counties, and provide required reporting to the state. Membership fee will be \$2,904.00 and a yearly maintenance fee of \$1,500.00 and will be in use by the end of 2009 fiscal year. MSP Schmidt, Graybill to authorize chairman Simonsen sign the 28E agreement with ISAC for the electronic Transactions Clearinghouse.

MSP Leeds, Graybill to authorize chairman sign letter stating that Cherokee County is affiliated with Plains Area Mental Health Center as community mental health center.

Larry Clark, County Engineer and Marty Jenness, Engineer's assistant were present for the bid letting of two bridges as follows:

L-1-B-05 on M21		L-4-B-08 on L56	
Graves Construction	\$219,809.50		\$239,222.50
Dixon Construction	\$237,251.00		\$235,069.00
Nelson Rock & Const	\$230,365.00		\$236,040.00
Christensen Bros.	\$255,229.00		\$242,350.00

MSP Graybill, Schmidt to award Graves Construction L-1-B-05 for \$219,809.50.

MSP Leeds, Schmidt to award Dixon Construction L-4-B-08 for \$235,069.00.

MSP Schmidt, Leeds to approve the Master Matrix construction permit for Southern Breeze in Section 3 of Marcus Township.

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MSP Schmidt, Graybill to approve chairman Simonsen sign a letter of support for American Soy proposed expansion to crush canola.

MSP Graybill, Schmidt to approve payment of claims as presented. A full listing can be seen in the County Auditor's office.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Jeff Simonsen, Chairman

Attest _____
Bonnie Ebel, County Auditor