

CHICKASAW COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
AUGUST 15, 2022

The Board convened on Monday, August 15, 2022, at 9:00 am with members Breitbach, Byrne, Hackman, Zoll, and Kuhn in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also present were Deputy Auditor Donna Geerts, Attorney David Laudner, Terry Johnson, EMA/911 Coordinator Jeff Bernatz, Amy Laures, Kathy Shekleton, Jeremy McGrath, and Bob Fenske, member of the media.

Motion by Hackman, second by Byrne to approve the agenda for August 15, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Byrne, second by Breitbach to approve the meeting minutes from August 8, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Assessor Ray Armel was present at 9:04 am.

Public comment-Amy Laures stated she wanted to clarify the ambulance service in Elma is fully staffed 24/7 at the Elma Emergency Services Building. Alta Vista would only be without coverage when the ambulance is out on another call.

Bids for the sale of the property at 2275 S Linn Ave, New Hampton, Iowa, known as the former Heritage Building, will be opened August 22, 2022, at the Board of Supervisors' meeting. If property sold, County will work with the Pioneer Cemetery Commission to mark the cemetery. Hackman shared a proposed floor plan of the Heritage Building if County does not sell the property.

Sheriff Department employees Ryan Shawver, Jordan Gansen, Cathy Knutson, and Marty Hemann were present at 9:09 am.

Mike Kennedy present at 9:13 am.

Motion by Hackman, second by Byrne to approve RESOLUTION NO. 08-15-22-61 A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH A PROPOSAL TO SELL THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 910 E. MAIN STREET IN NEW HAMPTON AND NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED SALE. WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors proposes to sell the real property located at 910 E. Main Street in New Hampton (Parcel Nos. 19-10-07-1-26-347 and 19-10-07-1-26-348, and legally described as Lots One through Twelve in the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 95 North, Range 12 West of the 5 th P.M.) to The Overland Group, LLC, for \$100,000.00; and WHEREAS, pursuant to Iowa Code section 331.361(2) the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors is required to set forth its proposal to sell the real property in a resolution and publish notice of the time and place of a public hearing on the proposal to sell the real property. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors proposes to sell the real property located at 910 E. Main Street in New Hampton to The Overland Group, LLC, for \$100,000.00, and will hold a public hearing on the proposal at 9:30 a.m. on August 29, 2022, in the boardroom on the second floor of the Chickasaw County Courthouse in New Hampton; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that public comment on the proposed sale of the real property will be accepted by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors at the public hearing or may be submitted in writing to the Chickasaw County Auditor before 4:00 p.m. on August 26, 2022.; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chickasaw County Auditor is directed to publish the full text of this Resolution in the newspapers of record on August 18 and 19, 2022, respectively. HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors this 15th day of August, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-. Hackman, Byrne, Breitbach, Zoll. Nays- Kuhn. Motion carried. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Byrne, second by Breitbach to acknowledge resignation of Deputy Cole Tweten effective August 28, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried. Motion by Byrne, second by Hackman to approve the Sheriff to fill vacancy of deputy. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Kennedy left at 9:32 am.

Engineer Roman Lensing present at 9:33 am.

Jim Ashley present at 9:45 am.

Chief Deputy discussed vacancies in Sheriff's Department. Discussion on hiring and retaining employees. Information shared on proposed wage increases for employees of the Sheriff's Department. More discussion to follow after department's budget is reviewed and talking with Human Resources. Discussion also on adding an additional deputy.

Hemann and Armel left at 9:55 am.

Shawver, Gansen, and Knutson left at 9:56 am.

Jim Ashley requested to talk to Chairperson Matt Kuhn. Chair declared a recess at 9:57 am.

Chair reconvened at 10:02 am with Board Members Byrne, Zoll, Breitbach, Hackman, and Kuhn. Also present were Deputy Auditor Donna Geerts, Attorney David Laudner, Terry Johnson, EMA/911 Coordinator Jeff Bernatz, Engineer Roman Lensing, Amy Laures, Kathy Shekleton, Jeremy McGrath, and Bob Fenske, member of the media.

Engineer Roman Lensing discussed department activities.

Reviewed plans for Chickasaw County Bridge Replacement Project BROS-SWAP-CO19(110)--SE-19 on Odessa Ave., over East Wapsipinicon River, S16, T95, R12. Motion by Hackman, second by Zoll to approve plans for Chickasaw County Bridge Replacement Project BROS-SWAP-CO19(110)--SE-19 on Odessa Ave., over East Wapsipinicon River, S16, T95, R12 and authorize signatures made by Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors on Cover Page of plans. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, second by Byrne to approve the reclassification of position and wage change of current Secondary Roads Employee Barry Klingman from Road Foreman (\$28.57/hr.) to Equipment Operator (\$25.20/hr.), effective August 22, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Byrne, second by Breitbach to approve the reclassification of position and wage change of current Secondary Roads Employee Tyler Thronson from Equipment Operator (\$25.15/hr.) to Road Foreman (\$28.40/hr.), effective August 22, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, second by Byrne to acknowledge the resignation of Spencer Schmitt, Assistant to County Engineer, effective August 23, 2022, and approve the County Engineer to fill vacancy. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Lensing left at 10:24 am.

Jeremy McGrath presented an asset value estimate for Chickasaw Ambulance Service prepared by 424 Consulting LLC. At 10:42 am, Kolby Kolbet, president of 424 Consulting, LLC, was contacted via phone to discuss his consulting services and estimate of value of all inventory of the Chickasaw Ambulance Service. McGrath presented an asset purchase agreement for the consideration of \$1,100,000.00.

Kuhn and Byrne shared information on ambulance units and equipment from Life Line Emergency Vehicles.

Consulting services agreement from Corey Larson was discussed. Kuhn did reach out to Safe Tech who stated Larson's consulting services were at a reasonable fee. Motion by Byrne, second by Breitbach to enter in to a Consulting Services Agreement between Corey Larson and Chickasaw County, pay service fee out of ARPA funds, and designate Matt Kuhn as the main point of contact between the Consultant and the County during this agreement. Roll Call: Ayes-Byrne, Breitbach, Kuhn. Nays-Hackman, Zoll. Motion carried.

McGrath left at 11:36 am.

Discussion on new Lawler Tower site. More information will be gathered by Byrne and 911 Coordinator Bernatz.

Motion by Hackman, second by Breitbach to approve claims in the amount of \$804,602.25. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Laures and Fenske left at 11:40 am.

Hackman attended Pathways meeting on August 9, 2022.

Zoll went to Floyd Mitchell Chickasaw Landfill on August 8, 2022 and attended the Floyd Mitchell Chickasaw Landfill Executive Board meeting on August 9, 2022.

Treasurer Sue Breitbach present at 11:43 am.

Discussed means of reconciling books period ending December 31, 2022, for the Treasurer's Office pursuant to Iowa Code 12B.7 Settlement by retiring treasurer. Consensus of the Board to do this reconciliation internally with County Treasurer, Auditor, and Board of Supervisors on December 30, 2022.

Treasurer Breitbach left at 11:45 am.

Motion by Breitbach, second by Hackman to adjourn at 11:49 am. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Donna Geerts, Secretary to the Board