

**CHICKASAW COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES**  
**May 22, 2023**

The Board convened on Monday, May 22, 2023, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Bridget Edson, Bob Fenske, member of the media, Terry Johnson, Engineer Roman Lensing, Kathy Shekleton, EMS Director Joel Knutson, Recorder Shirley Troyna, Jeremy McGrath, Assessor Raymond Armel, Solutions Alison Herman and Mike Barr, Custodian Dave Gorman, Ahlers & Cooney Law Firm Jason Comisky,

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve the agenda for May 22, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve the meeting minutes from May 15, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to amend the meeting minutes from May 15, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Public comment: Assessor Ray Armel discussed House File 718 and additional Homestead Exemption.

Motion by Hackman, seconded Suckow to move Iowa Child Care Resource to room #8 to allow Pathways previous room at the Chickasaw Heritage Building Center. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to get a contract with Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. (SHE) to work with Chickasaw County to get water from City of New Hampton to Chickasaw Heritage Building Center. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman to rescind last week's motion for third ambulance purchased per procurement policy. Motion failed due to lack of second.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to enter closed session under section 21.5(1)(J) to discuss the potential sale or purchase of real estate at 9:41 AM. Roll Call: Aye; Hackman, Suckow, Breitbach, Cerwinski, Kuhn. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Hackman to come out of closed session under section 21.5(1)(J) to discuss the potential sale or purchase of real estate at 10:19 AM. Roll Call: Aye; Breitbach, Hackman, Suckow, Cerwinski, Kuhn. Motion carried.

No action taken out of close session.

Discussion of Cerwinski and Kuhn to meet with Nashua Area EMS for mutual aid agreement along with EMS Director Joel Knutson.

Discussion on performance evaluation of EMS Director Joel Knutson.

Open sealed bids for Chickasaw County Bridge Replacement Project L-FY24-01--73-19.  
MN Construction Inc-\$141,300.00  
Blazek Construction- \$136,400.00  
Petersons Contractors Inc- \$140,000.00

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to accept Blazek bid of \$136,400.00 for Chickasaw County Bridge Replacement Project L-FY24-01--73-19. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion Solution, Inc Alison Herman and Mike Barr.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve the Veterans Memorial Day service in front of the Chickasaw County Courthouse on May 29, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion with Jason Comisky, Ahlers & Cooney Law Firm, about Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and bonding process.

Recess at 1:02 PM  
Reconvened at 1:07 PM

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve Iowa Department of Transportation Federal-Aid Agreement for Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Project STP-S-CO19(113)--5E-19 and authorize Board Chairman Approval Signature. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve purchase of C&B Material Handling for a new 2023 Doosan G25E-7LP Fork Lift Truck for \$33,000 for Secondary Roads Department per purchase policy and authorize County Engineer to sign/authorize Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinske to approve purchase of CAT motor Compressor from Ziegler for \$25,934.08 for Secondary Roads Department per purchase policy. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussed department updates with County Engineer, Roman Lensing.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to acknowledge the resignation of Penny Andorf, Environmental Health Director, effective June 30, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to acknowledge the change of employment status from full-time to part-time for Jane Wolf, Public Health Registered Nurse, effective July 7, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion of Broadband grant process.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to acknowledge the change in pay for Retha Praska from \$16.50 to \$17.00 effective May 15, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to approve claims \$96,328.24. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to approve prior claims \$98,273.09. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to approve payroll dated May 19, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

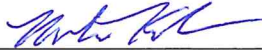
Committee Assignments

Supervisor Suckow-May 18, Turkey River Water Shed

Supervisor Hackman-May 18, CSS, May 19, CSS

Supervisor Kuhn-May 18, INCOG

Motion by Cerwinske seconded by Hackman to adjourn at 2:00 PM. Roll Call: All Aye. Motion carried.



Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson

Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



Sheila Shekleton, Auditor