

CHICKASAW COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
February 5, 2024

The Board convened on Monday, February 5, 2024, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Kuhn, Suckow, Hackman and Cerwinski present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Cerwinski called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske, member of media, Terry Johnson, ISU Extension and Outreach Chickasaw Co Patrick Dirks, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc (SHE) Rustin Lingbeek, Charles City Press Christopher Hall, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, Engineer Roman Lensing, Ranae Carey, EMA/911 Coordinator Jeff Bernatz, Mike Kennedy

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Kuhn to approve the agenda for February 5, 2024. Roll Call All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to approve the meeting minutes from February 1, 2024. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussed Veterans' grave maintenance fees.

No public comment.

Chickasaw Co Extension Youth Coordinator Patrick Durks discussed budget request.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to authorize the (SHE) engineer to send bid documents for the Public Improvement Project for the Heritage Building Center out, set public hearing for March 4, 2024 at 9:10 AM for the Proposed Public Project and direct the auditor to publish in the county official newspapers. Roll Call: Ayes; Hackman, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Nay; Breitbach. Motion carried.

Discussed vehicle ordering and purchasing for this current FY23-24 and next FY24-25 for the Sheriff's department.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to have the auditor open the sealed bids for Newspapers; New Hampton Tribune, Nashua Reporter and Fredericksburg Review. Roll Call: Ayes; Hackman, Suckow, Breitbach, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Motion carried.

Number of yearly Subscribers
Vanguard Publishing Co 189
New Hampton Tribune 1049
Nashua Reporter 259

Motion by Kuhn, seconded by Breitbach to designate the New Hampton Tribune and Nashua Reporter as the County's official newspaper. Roll Call: Ayes; Kuhn, Breitbach, Suckow, Hackman, Cerwinski. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Hackman to acknowledge the hiring of Leighton Gaul, Assistant to the Engineer, starting February 20, 2024, at \$31.00 per hour. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to acknowledge wage increase of Liza Herold, Assistant to Engineer, to \$33.00 starting February 19, 2024. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuhn, Seconded by Breitbach to approve agreement between Chickasaw County Board (Roads) and IUOE Local 234 (July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2027) and authorize chair's signature. Roll Call: Ayes; Kuhn, Breitbach, Suckow, Cerwinski. Nay; Hackman. Motion carried.

Discussed Swift Current FMA Property Acquisition Grant Funding process and potential applications with EMA/911 Coordinator Jeff Bernatz.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow approve and authorize chair's signature on Chickasaw County Land Mobile Radio Equipment Transfer Agreement with the city of Fredericksburg. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuhn, seconded by Hackman to enter CLOSED SESSION UNDER IOWA CODE 21.5(K) REF IOWA CODE 22.7(50) TO DISCUSS UPDATED SECURITY PROCEDURES AT COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY at 9:23 AM. Roll Call: Ayes; Kuhn, Hackman, Breitbach, Suckow, Cerwinski. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to exit CLOSED SESSION UNDER IOWA CODE 21.5(K) REF IOWA CODE 22.7(50) TO DISCUSS UPDATED SECURITY PROCEDURES AT COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY at 9:40 AM. Roll Call: Ayes; Hackman, Suckow, Breitbach, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Motion carried.

No action out of closed session

Discussed forming safety and wellness committees.

Discussed Resolution No. 02-05-24-07 for Interfund Operating Transfer.

Budget work session

Committee Assignments

Supervisor Kuhn, 911 Service Board, January 31, 2024 and EMA, January 31, 2024.

Supervisor Cerwinski, Cedar River Watershed Project, January 29, 2024.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to adjourn at 11:44 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.



Scott Cerwinski, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board