

**CHICKASAW COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES**  
**January 20, 2026**

The Board convened on Tuesday, January 20, 2026, at 9:02 AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Carter, Cerwinske and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Hackman called the meeting to order. Also present were Board Secretary Sheila Shekleton, County Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske, member of media, County Commissions of Veterans Affairs, Chair Katy Kuehn, Veterans Affairs Administrator Keith Elenz, Engineer Roman Lensing, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, County Youth Coordinator Makaela Kime, Terry Johnson

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve the agenda for January 20, 2026 along with the additional agenda item: Review, approve and authorize chair signature on Engagement Letter with Gardiner + Company (private auditor) for an alternative compliance engagement for the ARPA funds spent. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve updated Purchase Agreement with MGX Equipment Services including additional tariff/surcharge cost in the amount of \$8,723.52 for Custom Sign Crane on Mack MD7 Chassis (updated total cost \$248,723.52) for Secondary Roads. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Department updates provided by Engineer Roman Lensing.

County Commissions of Veterans Affairs, Chair Katy Kuehn and Veterans Affairs Administrator Keith Elenz  
Budget Review FY26-27  
Department update

Motion Breitbach, seconded by Carter to approve and authorize chair signature on Engagement Letter with Gardiner + Company (private auditor) for an alternative compliance engagement for the ARPA funds spent. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Carter to Acknowledge letter from Iowa Health and Human Services regarding Chickasaw County Residents Eligible for Property Tax Suspension. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Engineer Roman Lensing  
Budget Review FY26-27

Budget work session


Recess: 10:30 AM  
Resume: 12:45 PM

Full board with Supervisor Suckow on the phone

Motion by Carter, seconded by Breitbach to approve addition agenda item: Discuss April 5, 2026 quarterly installment payments that the cities are obligated to make to the EMS Department under the 28E Agreement. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Cerwinske to approve one quarter of the April 5, 2026 quarterly installment payments that the cities are obligated to make to the EMS Department under the 28E Agreement for a total amount including county portion of \$72,522.10. Roll Call: Ayes: Carter, Cerwinske, Breitbach, Hackman. Nays: Suckow. Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Carter to adjourn at 12:52 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

  
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Jacob Hackman, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:   
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Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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