

**COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
MARCH 25, 2019**

The Board convened on Monday, March 25, 2019 at 9:00 A.M. with the following members present: Byrne, Geerts, Zoll, and Tilkes. Absent: Hackman. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Zoll. Also present were Rick Holthaus, Matt Kuhn, Doreen Cook, Jeremy McGrath, Jeff Bernatz, member from the media, and member from the media (radio).

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to approve agenda for March 25, 2019. Roll Call: Ayes: Geerts, Byrne, Tilkes, and Zoll. Absent Hackman. Motion Carried.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Tilkes to approve Board Minutes for March 18 & 19, 2019. Roll Call: Ayes: Byrne, Tilkes, Geerts, and Zoll. Absent: Hackman. Motion Carried.

Reed Palo and Marty Hemann present at 9:02 AM.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Tilkes to acknowledge the hiring of Ashley Seehase as a part-time homemaker aide effective March 25, 2019 at the hourly rate of \$12.00 per hour. Roll Call: Ayes: Geerts, Tilkes, Byrne, and Zoll. Absent: Hackman. Motion Carried.

Public comment request from Doreen Cook regarding Ambulance Council.

Jeremy McGrath met with the Board to discuss Ambulance Services. Discussion followed. Ambulance Council meeting scheduled March 25, 2019 at 6:00 PM.

Matt Kuhn, Doreen Cook, Jeremy McGrath, Reed Palo, and Marty Hemann left at 10:00 AM.

Jeff Bernatz left at 10:05 AM.

County Engineer met with the Board to discuss road departmental activities.

Vice-Chairman Zoll received and opened two bids for limestone surfacing contracts for Divisions I, II, III, and IV at 10:00 AM. Vendors present included Lee Pries, representing Paul Niemann Construction; Chad Wiltgen and Jesse Delaney representing Bruening Rock Products, Stephen Rausch, representing Rausch Bros. Trucking, and Barry Klingman, County Road Foreman. Discussion followed.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Geerts to approve the limestone road surfacing bids as per recommendation of the County Engineer and authorize Chairman Signature on the limestone surfacing contracts with Paul Niemann Construction Co., Sumner, Iowa for Division I-Unit Price \$12.09 (\$330,552.69); Bruening Rock Products, Decorah, Iowa for Division II- Unit Price \$12.139 (\$298,643.67) for Division III-Unit Price \$13.189 (\$358,371.50); and for Division IV-Unit Price \$12.899 (\$312,078.40) Roll Call: Ayes: Tilkes, Geerts, Byrne, and Zoll. Absent: Hackman. Motion Carried.

Chad Wiltgen, Jesse Delaney, Stephen Rausch, Lee Pries, and Barry Klingman left at 10:18 AM.

The Board reviewed the resolution opposing Senate Study Bill 1045 and Senate File 184 passed by the Senate Committee on Transportation.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Geerts to approve Resolution 03-25-19-17. Roll Call: Ayes. Tilkes, Geerts, Byrne, and Zoll. Absent: Hackman. Motion Carried. CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Resolution 03-25-19-17 A RESOLUTION OPPOSING SENATE STUDY BILL 1045 AND SENATE FILE 184 PASSED BY THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION WHEREAS, the Transportation Committee in the Iowa Senate has passed House Study Bill 1045 (SF 184) which would amend and make changes to Iowa Code Chapter 321 related to transportation of indivisible loads and raw forestry products on primary and non-primary highways, and; WHEREAS, Chickasaw County owns and maintains nonprimary highways, and is fiscally and legally responsible for the nonprimary highways within the County, and; WHEREAS, Chickasaw County owns and maintains 264 structures classified as bridges by the National Bridge Inspection Standards, and; WHEREAS, many of the bridges owned by Chickasaw County are aging and structurally deficient or functionally obsolete, and; WHEREAS, current funding is not adequate to replace or rehabilitate these bridges at the rate their conditions are deteriorating, and; WHEREAS, the nonprimary roads and bridges owned by Chickasaw County serve a critical need for residents, agricultural users, businesses, schools, post offices, and emergency responders, and; WHEREAS, the proposed bill would allow the Iowa Department of Transportation to issue annual permits to forestry industry haulers for loads up to 130,000 pounds on nonprimary highways throughout Iowa, without knowledge of or notice given to the agencies which own these highways and the structures thereon, and; WHEREAS, bridges within Chickasaw County have been designed for loads that were legal on Iowa roads at the time of their construction, and bridges have only been rated or posted with weight restrictions for loads that are currently legal on roads, and; WHEREAS, each bridge within Chickasaw County is unique based on its age, design, and current condition, and; WHEREAS, load rating to ensure safe passage of loads greater than 80,000 pounds would be unique for each load on each individual bridge, and; WHEREAS, the traversing of Chickasaw County bridges by loads up to 130,000 pounds without the County being afforded the knowledge of or the ability to restrict each occurrence, would result in gradual and possibly sudden failure of bridges within the County, and; WHEREAS, Chickasaw County would likely bear legal and financial liability for subsequent failure of its bridges, even if such failures are caused by loads they did not permit, and; WHEREAS, Chickasaw County is not financially able to repair or replace bridges which would be subject to accelerated deterioration by increased loads, and; WHEREAS, Chickasaw County and its residents, farmers, businesses, schools, post offices, and emergency responders, would be subjected to undue operational and economic hardships by further degradation of its road system and the structures thereon; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors strongly urges all Iowa lawmakers to vote in opposition to this legislation. Resolved this 25th day of March, 2019. Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors /ss/ Tim Zoll, Steve Geerts, David Tilkes, Jason Byrne. Absent: Jacob Hackman, Chairman. ATTEST: /ss/ Joan E. Knoll, Chickasaw County Auditor

The Board reviewed the agreement for project NHSX-063-9(26)—3H-45 between Chickasaw County and IDOT.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Tilkes to enter into an agreement for project NHSX-063-9(26)—3H-45 between Chickasaw County and IDOT as per the recommendation of the County Engineer. Roll Call: Ayes: Geerts, Tilkes, Byrne, and Zoll. Absent: Hackman. Motion Carried.

The Board discussed the tandem truck delivery and the purchase of an excavator. Mr. Rolando informed the Board that the tandem truck delivery will be in August of 2019; therefore Mr. Rolando would like to purchase an excavator in FY 18-19 budget but is budgeted in FY 2019-20 due to the delivery date of tandem truck. County Engineer Dusten Rolando will contact the vendors, receive quotes and comparison, and update the Board of his findings.

Dusten Rolando left at 11:20 AM.

The Board reviewed the RFP (request for proposal) for Human Resource and reviewed the proposed language options from the County Attorney's Office. It was the consensus of the Board to allow presentations at the public meeting on Mary 13, 2019 by any person or entity that has submitted a timely written response to the request for proposal.

Supervisor Geerts gave an update on the INRCOG meeting held on March 21, 2019.

Supervisor Zoll gave an update on the Landfill meeting held on March 21, 2019.

Supervisor Byrne gave an update on the RC& D meeting held on March 21, 2019.

Supervisor Tilkes gave an update on the Housing meeting held on March 21, 2019.

Received and filed in the Auditor's Office MMP Short form for Annual Update for Mangowood LLC (ID #68903) located at 1168 Roanoke Avenue, Lawler, IA 52154.

Received and filed in the Auditor's Office MMP Short form for Annual Update for Jadebrook LLC (ID#68936) located in Protivin, IA 52163.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Tilkes to adjourn at 11:39 AM. Roll Call: Ayes: Geerts, Tilkes, Byrne, and Zoll. Absent: Hackman. Motion Carried.

Tim Zoll, Vice-Chairman
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Joan E. Knoll, Auditor