

**COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
JANUARY 13, 14, & 16, 2020**

The Board convened on Monday, January 13, 2020, at 9:00 AM with all members present Byrne, Tilkes, Zoll, Geerts, and Hackman. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hackman. Also present was Rick Holthaus.

Motion by Zoll, Seconded by Tilkes to approve agenda for January 13 & 14, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Zoll to approve Board minutes for January 6 & 7, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ray Armel present at 9:05 AM.

No Public Comment.

Ray Armel met with the Board to approve a minor subdivision for Gary Tolliver.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Geerts to approve minor subdivision for Gary Tolliver as per the recommendation of Land Use Administrator. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried. RESOLUTION 01-13-20-04 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: PARCELS 2019-55 AND 2019-56 IN THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 96 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., CHICKASAW COUNTY, IOWA WHEREAS, ON THE 13th DAY of JANUARY, 2020 at a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of PARCELS 2019-55 AND 2019-56 IN THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 96 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., CHICKASAW COUNTY, IOWA WHEREAS, the minor subdivision plat of PARCELS 2019-55 AND 2019-56 IN THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 96 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., CHICKASAW COUNTY, IOWA Has now been considered and should be approved. NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa that said Minor Subdivision Plat be approved, accepted and the Chairman is hereby directed to certify this Resolution of Approval. PASSED AND APPROVED on this 13th DAY of JANUARY 2020. /ss/ Jacob Hackman, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. ATTEST: /ss/ Joan E. Knoll, Auditor.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to acknowledge the hiring of Toni Schwickerath as Office Manager/GIS Administrator at the hourly rate of \$17.50 per hour effective January 6, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Mark Huegel present at 9:12 AM.

The Board discussed the purchase of a building and the remodeling project. The Board decided to place an Offer to Purchase in the amount of \$169,000 for the Hugeback property located at 516 S. Linn Avenue, New Hampton, Iowa. The Offer to Purchase was accepted. Mr. Huegel updated the Board on the progress of the purchase. Mr. Huegel will prepare an Attorney Opinion, Abstract updated, etc. by the closing date. The Board discussed the remodeling of the building. Supervisor Geerts presented to the Board a sketch of the building to review and will have the building committee review.

Mark Huegel left at 9:20 AM.

Sue Breitbach present at 9:29 AM.

Treasurer Sue Breitbach met with the Board for review and approval of the Semi Annual Report.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Geerts to approve the Treasurer's semi-annual report ending December 31, 2019, subject to audit. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Sue Breitbach left at 9:43 AM.

Motion by Zoll, Seconded by Tilkes to approve quarterly reports ending December 31, 2019 for Auditor, Recorder and Sheriff, subject to audit. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Geerts to acknowledge the hiring of Laura Wickham as Real Estate/Elections Deputy effective January 20, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Marty Hemann present at 9:52 AM.

Dusten Rolando present at 10:16 AM.

Marty Hemann met with the Board to discuss FY 2019-2020 Budget Amendment and to review FY 2020-2021 budget.

Marty Hemann left at 10:28 AM.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to appoint Joe Peraud as County representative on the Upham Memorial Library Board. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The Board reviewed the Resolution for Interfund Operating Transfer Health Insurance Fund to the General Basic Fund.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Tilkes to approve Resolution for Interfund Operating Transfer. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried. **RESOLUTION NO. 01-13-20-05 A RESOLUTION FOR INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFER** WHEREAS, it is desired to authorize the Chickasaw County Auditor to transfer funds from the Chickasaw County Health Insurance Fund 8999 to the General Basic Fund (0001) in the amount of \$27,288.61 to transfer part of the funds from the inactive account 8999 to an active account 0001. WHEREAS, said transfer must be in accordance with Section 331.432, Code of Iowa, and **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County, Iowa, as follows: 1. The partial transfer from the Chickasaw County Health Insurance Fund 8999 to General Basic Fund 0001 shall be done for the partial closure of the inactive fund. 2. That the amount of said transfer shall be in the amount of \$27,288.61. 3. The Auditor is directed to correct her books when said operating transfer is made and notify the Treasurer of the amount of said transfer. **PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 13th DAY OF JANUARY 2020, THE VOTE THEREON BEING AS FOLLOWS: AYES: /ss/ Jacob Hackman, Chairman Board of Supervisor, Jason Byrne, Steve Geerts, David Tilkes, Tim Zoll. NAYS: None. ATTEST: /ss/Joan E. Knoll, Chickasaw County Auditor**

The Board reviewed the Resolution for Interfund Operating Transfer Health Insurance Fund to the Capital Projects Fund.

Motion by Zoll, Seconded by Tilkes to approve Resolution for Interfund Operating Transfer. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried. **RESOLUTION NO. 01-13-20-06 A RESOLUTION FOR INTERFUND**

OPERATING TRANSFER WHEREAS, it is desired to authorize the Chickasaw County Auditor to transfer funds from the Chickasaw County Health Insurance Fund 8999 to the Capital Project Fund (1500) in the amount of \$18,000.00 to transfer part of the funds from the inactive account 8999 to an active account 1500. WHEREAS, said transfer must be in accordance with Section 331.432, Code of Iowa, and **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County, Iowa, as follows: 1. The partial transfer from the Chickasaw County Health Insurance Fund 8999 to Capital Project Fund 1500 shall be done for the partial closure of the inactive fund. 2. That the amount of said transfer shall be in the amount of \$18,000. 3. The Auditor is directed to correct her books when said operating transfer is made and notify the Treasurer of the amount of said transfer. PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 13th DAY OF JANUARY 2020, THE VOTE THEREON BEING AS FOLLOWS: AYES: /ss/ Jacob Hackman, Chairman Board of Supervisor, Jason Byrne, Steve Geerts, David Tilkes, Tim Zoll. NAYS: None. ATTEST: /ss/Joan E. Knoll, Chickasaw County Auditor

The Board reviewed the Resolution for Interfund Operating Transfer Health Insurance Fund to the General Supplemental Fund.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Zoll to approve Resolution for Interfund Operating Transfer. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried. **RESOLUTION NO. 01-13-20-07 A RESOLUTION FOR INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFER** WHEREAS, it is desired to authorize the Chickasaw County Auditor to transfer funds from the Chickasaw County Health Insurance Fund 8999 to the General Supplemental Fund (0002) in the amount of \$161,130.17 to transfer part of the funds from the inactive account 8999 to an active account 0002. WHEREAS, said transfer must be in accordance with Section 331.432, Code of Iowa, and **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County, Iowa, as follows: 1. The partial transfer from the Chickasaw County Health Insurance Fund 8999 to General Supplemental Fund 0002 shall be done for the partial closure of the inactive fund. 2. That the amount of said transfer shall be in the amount of \$161,130.17. 3. The Auditor is directed to correct her books when said operating transfer is made and notify the Treasurer of the amount of said transfer. PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 13th DAY OF JANUARY 2020, THE VOTE THEREON BEING AS FOLLOWS: AYES: /ss/ Jacob Hackman, Chairman Board of Supervisor, Jason Byrne, Steve Geerts, David Tilkes, Tim Zoll. NAYS: None. ATTEST: /ss/Joan E. Knoll, Chickasaw County Auditor

Dusten Rolando met with the Board to discuss road department activities.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Geerts to approve the hiring of James Brahn as equipment operator at the hourly rate of \$17.75 per hour (as per union contract) effective January 27, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dusten Rolando also met with the Board to review FY 2020-2021 budget.

Dusten Rolando left at 11:25 AM.

The Board discuss the upcoming FY 2019-2020 County Budget Amendment.

Joan Knoll left at 12:34 PM.

Donna Geerts present at 12:35 PM.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Tilkes to recess at 12:35 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Donna Geerts left at 12:36 PM.

The Board reconvened at 1:00 PM.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Chickasaw County Handbook Changes.

Budget Worksession.

Supervisor Geerts updated the Board on the Veterans Affairs meeting held on January 8, 2020.

Supervisor Zoll updated the Board on the Cedar River Watershed meeting held on January 7, 2020.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Hackman to adjourn at 2:00 P M. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The Board convened on Tuesday, January 14, 2020, at 9:00 AM with the following members present: Zoll, Geerts, Tilkes, and Hackman. Absent: Byrne attending a Board of Health meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hackman. Present was Rick Holthaus.

Sue Breitbach present at 9:08 AM.

Sue Breitbach met with the Board to acknowledge the retirement of staff member and discuss the hiring of staff member.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Tilkes to acknowledge the retirement of Donna Ambrose as Driver's License Clerk effective January 31, 2020. Roll Call: Ayes: Geerts, Tilkes, Zoll, and Hackman. Absent: Byrne. Motion Carried.

Sue Breitbach discussed with the Board to start advertising the position. Discussion followed.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Tilkes to start advertising the position. Roll Call: Ayes: Geerts and Tilkes. Nays: Zoll and Hackman. Absent: Byrne. Motion failed.

The Board will place on the January 20, 2020 agenda.

Jason Byrne present at 9:25 AM.

Budget Worksession.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Zoll to adjourn at 10:55 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The Board convened on Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 9:00 AM with all the members present: Byrne, Zoll, Geerts, Tilkes, and Hackman. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hackman.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Zoll to approve the agenda for January 16, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The Board reviewed the Resolution setting public hearing for Proposed Tax Levy and Maximum Property Tax Dollars for FY 2020-2021.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Zoll to approve Resolution setting public hearing for Proposed Tax Levy and Maximum Property Tax Dollars for FY 2020-2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 01-16-20-08 A RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY AND MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX DOLLARS FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2020 – JUNE 30, 2021 FOR GENERAL COUNTY SERVICES AND RURAL SERVICES. WHEREAS, the 2019 Iowa Code Chapter 331 was amended by SF 634 adding Section 331.433.A effective January 1, 2020 requiring Chickasaw County to hold a public hearing after property notice, setting the maximum General County Services (General Basic and General Supplemental) and Rural Services (Rural Basic and Rural Supplemental) for fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021, and WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors has set February 10, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. at the board room in the Chickasaw County Courthouse, 8 East Prospect, New Hampton, Iowa as the date, time and place for the public hearing for the proposed county property tax levy and maximum property tax dollars for General County Services and Rural County Services for fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021, and WHEREAS, the Notice to the Public for the above referred hearing must be given not less than ten (10) days or more than twenty (20) days prior to the date herein established for hearing as provided by law. **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that a public hearing thereon will be held in the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors meeting room at the Courthouse in New Hampton, Chickasaw County, Iowa on the 10th day of February at 9:30 o'clock a.m. at which time and place the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors will consider arguments for or against the property tax levy and the maximum property tax dollars for General County Services and Rural Services for fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chickasaw County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be published notice of such hearing on the time not less than ten (10) days or more than twenty (20) days prior to the date herein established for hearing as provided by law. A copy of said Notice of Public Hearing is attached hereto and marked "Exhibit A" and is incorporated herein as though set forth verbatim. Dated this 16th day of January 2020. Ayes: /ss/ Jacob Hackman, Chairman Board of Supervisors, Jason Byrne, Steve Geerts, David Tilkes, Tim Zoll. Nays: None. ATTEST: /ss/ Joan E. Knoll, Chickasaw County Auditor

Exhibit "A"

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING -PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

County Name: CHICKASAW COUNTY County Number: 19

The County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year County budget as follows:

Meeting Date: 2/10/2020 Meeting Time: 09:30 AM Meeting Location: Board Room-Courthouse

Contact Person: Joan E. Knoll, County Auditor Contact Phone Number: (641) 394-2100

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After adoption of the proposed tax levy, the Board will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed county budget.

County Website (if available) County Telephone Number
chickasawcoia.org (641) 394-2100

		Current Year Certified Property Tax FY 2019/2020	Budget Year Effective Property Tax FY 2020/2021	Budget Year Proposed Maximum Property Tax FY 2020/2021	Proposed Percentage Change
Taxable Valuations-General Services	1	845,408,420	863,191,439	863,191,439	
Requested Tax Dollars-General Basic	2	2,958,929		3,021,170	
Requested Tax Dollars-General Supplemental	3	950,000		965,500	
Requested Tax Dollars-General Services Total	4	3,908,929	3,908,929	3,986,670	1.99
Estimated Tax Rate-General Services	5	4.62372	4.52846	4.61852	
Taxable Valuations-Rural Services	6	608,163,962	617,504,345	617,504,345	
Requested Tax Dollars-Rural Basic	7	1,826,773		2,000,000	
Requested Tax Dollars-Rural Supplemental	8	0			
Requested Tax Dollars-Rural Services Total	9	1,826,773	1,826,773	2,000,000	9.48
Estimated Tax Rate-Rural Services	10	3.00375	2.95832	3.23884	

Explanation of significant increases in the budget (explanation required if Proposed Percentage Change is greater than 2%):

General Services: Increase in countywide valuation -decrease in the county contribution to Emerg. Management Agency- increase in salaries, benefits Rural Services Basic: Increase in countywide valuation -Roads-Ambulance Contract-County allocation to the Libraries-salaries and benefits

If applicable, the above notice is also available online at:

CHICKASAW COUNTY WEBSITE: www.chickasawcoia.org

The above tax rates do not include county voted levies, mental health and disabilities services levy, debt service levy and the rates of other local jurisdictions.

Regarding proposed maximum dollars, the Board of Supervisors cannot adopt a higher tax asking for these levies following the public hearing.

Budget year effective property tax rate is the rate that would be assessed for these levies if the dollars requested is not changed in the coming year.

Budget Worksession.

The Board discussed FY 2019-2020 County Budget Amendment.

Motion by Zoll, Seconded by Byrne to adjourn at 11:50 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The Board convened on Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 6:00 PM at the Community Services Building with all the members present: Zoll, Geerts, Tilkes, Byrne, and Hackman. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hackman.

A joint meeting with the 911 Services Board. Present from the 911 Board were Scott Cerwinske, Randy Taylor, Amy Laures, Marty Hemann, Jimmy Mitchell, Bobby Schwickerath, Jeff Bernatz, and David Geerts. Present from the public were: Chris Maiers, Bridget Edson, Rick Holthaus, Joan Knoll, Miyah Byrne, Brian Flynn, Cathy Knutson, Alan Kolbet, Tom Lentz, Jason Morris, Doreen Cook, Ray Armbrrecht, Larry Laures, Terry Johnson, Zach Nosbisch, Dianna Richardson, Eric Fibikar, Jeremy Scheidel, Brian Placke, and Jeremy McGrath.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Byrne to approve the agenda for January 16, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Brian Flynn Representing Motorola gave a presentation on the Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications Systems (ISICS).

The meeting to discuss radio communication project with Managing Director for Piper Jaffray Travis Squires via phone conference was postponed until the meeting with G. J. Therkelsen & Associates with the 911 Service Board scheduled at a later meeting.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Zoll to adjourn at 7:40 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Jacob Hackman, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Joan E. Knoll, Auditor