

# CHICKASAW COUNTY

## September 7, 2021

The Board convened on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 9:00 AM with all members present Byrne, Holthaus, Hackman, Zoll, and Kuhn in the Boardroom located on the second floor of the Courthouse, New Hampton, Iowa. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Holthaus. Also present were Auditor Stephanie Mashek and Terry Johnson.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve the agenda for September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Byrne, Second by Zoll to approve the minutes from August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Megan Baltes and Rick Kramer present 9:10 AM.

9:05 AM Hackman stated that the Family Farm Credit is missing in some of the residents that were approved by the Board of Supervisors. Holthaus spoke to the Assessor in regard to the Family Farm credit, the issue is being addressed, and it will be on a future agenda. Terry Johnson stated on the tax statements the total percentage did not equal 100%. Auditor Mashek stated that she reached out to other auditor's and was advised that the certified budget of the colleges were put on the tax statement reflecting the full tax asking not just the county's portion.

9:10 AM Ray Armel discussed the minor subdivision for Andrew Schmitt.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Kuhn to approve the minor subdivision for Andrew Schmitt with Resolution 09-07-21-47 Ayes- Hackman, Kuhn, Zoll, Hackman, and Holthaus. Motion Carried. RESOLUTION 09-07-21-47 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: PARCEL 2021-50 AND 2021-51 IN THE NW1/4 OF THE NE1/4 AND IN THE N1/2 OF NW1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 96 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CHICKASAW COUNTY, IOWA WHEREAS, ON THE 7<sup>th</sup> DAY of September, 2021 at a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of PARCEL 2021-50 AND 2021-51 IN THE NW1/4 OF THE NE1/4 AND IN THE N1/2 OF NW1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 96 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CHICKASAW COUNTY, IOWA Was presented. WHEREAS, the minor subdivision plat of PARCEL 2021-50 AND 2021-51 IN THE NW1/4 OF THE NE1/4 AND IN THE N1/2 OF NW1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 96 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> DAY of SEPTEMBER, 2021. /ss/ Richard Holthaus, Chairperson to the Board of Supervisors. ATTEST: /ss/ Stephanie Mashek, Board Secretary

9:15 AM Megan Baltes and Rick Kramer discussed the Tribe Trail. Baltes explains the desire to continue the existing trail to continue north by the LEMC building located on South Linn. Hackman asked if the city's attorney will draft an easement agreement for the county owned property. Zoll asked the width of the trail and Baltes stated the trail is ten foot wide. Consensus of the board is to allow the city's attorney to draw up an easement for the tribe trail to continue on property. Consensus of the board is to allow temporary parking of Linn Haven staff to utilize the LEMC parking lot during the construction period along with allowing access of an ambulance as needed.

Baltes and Kramer left at 9:27 AM.

Jeff Bernatz present at 9:30 AM.

Mashek discussed the National Voter Registration Month September 2021.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve the official proclamation by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors for National Voter Registration month of September 2021. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Byrne, Kuhn, Zoll, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

Dusty Rolando present at 9:30 AM.

Holthaus discussed the invoice from Matt Construction

Committee Assignment Update:

Bernatz provided a Northeast Iowa Response group update that they approved the amount needed for Tri-Mark's training. Zoll attended the FMC landfill financial committee meeting on September 3, 2021.

9:45 AM Discussion on the natural disaster in Chickasaw County. Bernatz spoke to Rick Biondi, Deputy State Public Assistance Officer, this morning discussion that the disaster was declared only on the State level. Rolando stated that bringing

in road rock will be slow going due to funding. Some areas needing attention fall under the State Emergency Response funds. Bernatz stated that they only have thirty days to estimate the damage for submission.

Lisa Welter present at 9:50 AM.

Bernatz said Rick Biondi said Chickasaw and Fayette county are at the top of the list for the most damaged received due to the flooding. Bernatz asked Rolando about the availability of rock. Rolando said the CP has taken a good portion of the rock and discussion on the rock used on the two roads to the derailment that have to be removed once they are done with fixing the railway and setting the tankers back on the rails. Rolando said the Boyd blacktop will be closed for up to six weeks to repair the culvert and road. Holthaus asked how long it will take to do bridge inspections. Rolando stated that there are areas that have higher levels of water and has prevented some bridges from being inspected. Bernatz stated the state declared the disaster on September 24, 2021. This has initiated the 30 day period for submissions of estimate of damages. Welter stated that Penny Andorf has been doing well testing. Bernatz stated that Andorf needs to track the costs of well testing as these will be reimbursed. Bernatz stated the proclamation is only for private citizens and not businesses. Kuhn asked Byrne if there was some attributing factor to Lawler flooding so significantly. Byrne stated that the rain came so fast and water ran down Lawler's main street. Continued discussion on the flooding in Lawler.

Welter left at 10:27 AM.

Holthaus attended the six county meeting on September 3, 2021.

Chairperson declares a recess at 10:45 AM.

The Board reconvened on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 11:00 AM with all members present Byrne, Holthaus, Hackman, Zoll, and Kuhn. Also present were Auditor Stephanie Mashek, Jeff Bernatz, and Terry Johnson.

11:00 AM Jeff Bernatz provided a Radio Communication Tower Project update. The generator start up was postponed until September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021. This will complete the civil side of the project and can be signed off on after inspection. Most of the law enforcement installs are done. The final testing of the towers will be the week of September 20, 2021. The mobiles will be tested the week of September 27, 2021. The transfer sheet will have the serial numbers for the radios and pagers. The paperwork to transfer the equipment to each entity will take place in the near future. Holthaus asked if any more land needs to be acquired for additional tower sites. Bernatz said the board has to purchase the land first.

Brian Moore and Andy Babcock present at 11:20 AM.

Holthaus stated there may be rock available for Conservation's use.

Rolando left at 11:22 AM.

Dave Gorman present at 11:25 AM.

Committee Meeting Update:

Jason Byrne attended the American Rescue Plan Act on September 1, 2021.

11:30 AM Dave Gorman discussed the snow removal bids for the CSB and LEMC building. Reviewed the bids from Babcock Services and Holthaus Lawn Care and Snow Removal. Kuhn stated that Babcock needs to provide an amount for the snow removal of significant precipitation. Babcock stated that if the snow fall was an additional four inches of snow or more, than it would be additional \$75 per event.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Zoll to accept bids from Babcock Services for the snow removal for fiscal year 2021-2022 at the CSB and LEMC building locations for \$175 per event at the LEMC building and \$85 per event at CSB building. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Byrne, and Kuhn. Holthaus, abstained.

11:45 AM Brian Moore provided a department update. The heat pump went out last week at the Nature Center. Cost of the repair is \$11,500.

Gorman, Babcock, and Bernatz left at 11:56 AM.

Penny Andorf present at 11:57 AM.

Byrne asked if this was the same heat pump that went out before. Moore stated that this one is different and is an emergency as this pump controls the temperature in the Nature Center. Moore asked if the board would consider a budget amendment for the cost of the heat pump. Consensus is to allow a budget amendment for the cost of the heat pump.

Discuss the correspondence received from the Iowa DNR regarding the post-closure care for the Chickasaw County Sanitary Landfill. Moore was following up on the process using the pedometer for measurement of the post-closure care. Hackman

stated that in the letter that we need to provide the Iowa DNR which avenue for monitoring the leachate the board will take to close the landfill.

Moore left at 12:20 PM.

12:22 PM Penny Andorf discussed the 28E Agreement with Iowa DNR. The last 28E agreement was extended from 2008 to 2013. Andorf pointed out the changes from the previous agreement to the current proposed agreement.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve the Iowa DNR Agreement ID 21ESDWQBEDAY0001 Intergovernmental (28E) Agreement Between the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and Chickasaw County, Iowa. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Byrne, Kuhn, Zoll, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

Andorf left at 12:28 AM.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Zoll to adjourn at 12:31 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

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Richard Holthaus, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisor

ATTEST:

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Stephanie Mashek, Secretary of the Board