## CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES January 8, 2024

The Board convened on Monday, January 8, 2024, at 9:02 AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Cerwinske called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Terry Johnson, Bob Fenske, member of media, Northeast Iowa Community Action Trisha Wilkins, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, Treasurer Matt Ysbrand, EMS Director Joel Knutson, Engineer Roman Lensing, Public Health Administrator Lisa Welter, RN, Public Health Board Joan Knoll, Ahlers & Cooney, Attorney Mike Galloway, Bill Dietz, Secondary Road Sam Milligan, Pat Gleason and Nathan Brown, Brian Vaske IUOE 234

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Kuhn to approve the agenda for January 8, 2024 with discussion on the approve 6% wage increase for EMS Department. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve the meeting minutes from January 2, 2024. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

No Public Comment.

Paper Bids: Riley's: \$58.16 per case for a total of \$2,326.40 for 40 cases

Rapid Printers: \$56.99 per case for a total of \$2,279.60 for 40 cases

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve paper bid by Rapid Printers at \$56.99 per case for \$2,279.60 for 40 cases. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter reports ending December 31, 2023 for Auditor and Veteran Affairs. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve sending last bill for ISG to Homeland Energy Solutions LLC. Roll Call: Ayes: Hackman, Suckow, Breitbach, Cerwinske. Abstained: Kuhn. Motion carried.

Discussed Northeast Iowa Community Action, Trisha Wilkins budget request.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve Treasurer's semi-annual report ending December 31, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion on EMS wage increase.

Motion Kuhn, seconded by Breitbach to approve the 6% pay increase for twenty-three EMS employees on the list that their hire date was prior to July 1, 2023, effective January 8, 2024. Roll Call: Ayes: Kuhn, Breitbach, Cerwinske, Suckow. Nays: Hackman. Motion carried.

Consensus with the Board of Supervisors to hold the annual cities meeting for EMS Annual Report on January 16, 2024, at 6:00 PM, at the Community Services Building, 260 E Prospect St, New Hampton.

Discussed department updates with Conservation Director Chad Humpal.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to receive and file Chickasaw County Conservation Annual Report for July 1, 2022 thru June 30, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussed landfill updates

Discussed Conservation Director Chad Humpals FY 24-25 budgets

Discusssed Public Health, Lisa Welter, RN FY 24-25 budgets

Discussed with Ahlers & Cooney Attorney Mike Galloway human resource updates.

IUOE #234 Initial proposal to county for Secondary Roads bargaining unit.

10:38 AM Go into EXEMPT SESSION PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE SECTION 20.17(3): "Negotiating sessions, strategy meetings of public employers, mediation, and the deliberative process of arbitrators shall be exempt from the provisions of chapter 21."

12:10 PM Exist EXEMPT SESSION PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE SECTION 20.17(3): "Negotiating sessions, strategy meetings of public employers, mediation, and the deliberative process of arbitrators shall be exempt from the provisions of chapter 21."

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to set public hearing for January 22, 2024 at 9:10 AM for the Amendment #2 of Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget and direct auditor to publish Notice of Public Hearing – Amendment of Current Budget in the New Hampton Tribune on January 11, 2024 and Nashua Reporter on January 12, 2024. Hackman amended to change date to February 1, 2024 and direct auditor to publish Notice of Public Hearing – Amendment of Current Budget in the New Hampton Tribune on January 18, 2024 and Nashua Reporter on January 19, 2024. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

No Committee Assignments.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to adjourn at 12:24 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Scott Cerwinske, Chairperson

**Board of Supervisors** 

ATTEST:

Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

No Committee Assignments.