

**CHICKASAW COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES**  
**April 14, 2025**

The Board convened on Monday, April 14, 2025, at 9:01 AM with members Breitbach, Carter, Cerwinske, Suckow 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, Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske, member of media, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Nashua Public Library Heather Hackman, Mary Rosanke, Dorothy Stanton Beyer, Alta Vista Library Crystal Griffen, Ionia Community Library India Watson, Public Health Board member Joan Knoll, Nancy Franzen, Bonnie Keller, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, Gardiner Elizabeth A Thyer, C.P.A., Riverview Center Shiloh Green, Recorder Shirley Troyna, EMS Director Joel Knutson, Treasurer Matt Ysbrand, Kathy Shekleton

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to approve the agenda for April 14, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Carter to approve the minutes for April 7, 2025 meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Public Comment: Nancy Franzen share her concerns about the Proposed Budget.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to open Public Hearing for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 County Budget at 9:11 AM. Roll Call: Ayes: Cerwinske, Suckow, Breitbach, Carter, Hackman. Motion Carried.

No written comment

Public comment by: Joan Knoll, India Watson, Nancy Franzen, Mary Rosonke, and Dorothy Stanton Beyer

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Carter to close Public Hearing for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 County Budget at 9:32 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion Carried.

Partner/Gardiner+Company, Elizabeth A Thyer, C.P.A. presented the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Audit Report.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinske to approve Resolution# 04-14-25-16 ADOPTION OF THE CHICKASAW COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 PROPOSED BUDGET WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors held a public hearing on Monday, April 14, 2025 to receive comments regarding the proposed FY25-26 Budget of Expenditures and Revenues as was published, per Public Notice, in the April 3, 2025 and April 4, 2025 issues of the Official County newspapers, New Hampton Tribune and the Nashua Reporter, and was posted on the County's Official website [www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov](http://www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov) and presented at the public hearing on April 14, 2025. THEREFORE, The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the proposed FY25-26 Budget as was presented and published. Budget certification attached and on file in the Chickasaw County Auditor's Office. PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025. /ss/ Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinske, Carter, Suckow, Hackman Attest: Sheila Shekleton, Auditor Detailed document on file at Auditor's office and on county's website <https://www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov>

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinske to approve RESOLUTION 04-14-25-17 WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors has not established a Chickasaw County Compensation Board. WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors met on December 3, 2024 recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Sections 331.905 and 331.907, and WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors made the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025:

Elected Officials	Current Salary	Proposed Increase	Recommended Salary
Auditor	\$ 74,521.92	\$ 2,235.66	\$ 76,757.58
County Attorney	\$ 125,291.02	\$ 10,023.28	\$ 135,314.30
Recorder	\$ 74,512.40	\$ 2,235.37	\$ 76,747.77
Sheriff	\$ 102,604.81	\$ 5,130.24	\$ 107,735.05
Supervisors	\$ 34,970.20	\$ 874.26	\$ 35,844.46
Treasurer	\$ 74,512.40	\$ 2,235.37	\$ 76,747.77

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors approves the following salary adjustments for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025:

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Approved on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025. /ss/ Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinske, Hackman. Nay: Suckow. Attest: Sheila Shekleton, Auditor  
Detailed document on file at Auditor's office and on county's website <https://www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov>

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to proclaim the month of April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and authorize chair's signature. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to allow EMS Director to advertise for EMT and Paramedic, full time and part-time till positions are filled. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Discussion on EMS updates with Director Joel Knutson.

Discussion on Conservation updates with Conservation Director Chad Humpal.

Discussion on Landfill updates with Conservation Director Chad Humpal.

Discuss potential timber sale update/Iowa Forestry grant update for the Conservation.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to approve Volunteer Handbook and Volunteer Position Agreement for County Conservation. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Breitbach to approve Iowa Dept. of Transportation Federal-Aid Agreement for a County Highway Bridge Program Project BROS-C019(121)--8J-19 with chair's signature. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded Breitbach to approve the FY2026 Iowa DOT Secondary Roads Budget for Chickasaw County with chair's signature. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to approve the Iowa DOT County Five Year Program for Chickasaw County with chair's signature. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Discuss request for Deer Crossing Sign by Mark & Valerie Natvig on V56 North of 120<sup>th</sup> Street and no action taken.

Discussion on Secondary Roads updates with Engineer Roman Lensing.


Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to approve Treasurer's quarterly report ending March 31, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Carter to approve going for sealed bids for kitchen equipment for the Heritage Center. The flyer will be posted on Chickasaw County bulletin boards and website: <https://www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov>  
The public will be able to view equipment on April 24, 2025 at the Heritage Center. The sealed bids will be due in the Auditor's office on May 2, 2025 at 4:00 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Committee assignments

Supervisor Suckow, April 10, Iowa Workforce. April 11, Juvenile Detention First and Second Judicial District 28-E Agreement

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to adjourn at 11:17 AM. 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