CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES June 30, 2025

The Board convened on Monday, June 30, 2025, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Cerwinske, Suckow, and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Absent: Carter. Chairperson Hackman called the meeting to order. Also present were Board Secretary Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske, member of media, Engineer Roman Lensing, EMA Jeff Bernatz, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, 20/20 F/X Dennis Ungs, Land Use/Assessor Raymond Armel

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve the agenda for June 30, 2025. Roll Call: Ayes: Suckow, Breitbach, Cerwinske, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinske to approve the minutes for June 23, 2025 meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinske, Suckow, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to authorize the chair's signature to a letter of support for Northeast Iowa Community Action. Roll Call: Ayes: Suckow, Breitbach. Nays: Cerwinske, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion failed.

Public comment. Attorney David Laudner shared that after receiving word back from the private auditor's office, Gardineer + Company CPA Firm, Attorney Laudner's recommendation is to give the volunteer for the Conservation Department a 1099 NEC. Attorney David Laudner shared an Opioid update.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to approve RESOLUTION 06-30-25-27WHEREAS, Chickasaw County completes an inspection of all bridges and structures on the Secondary Road System of Chickasaw County and WHEREAS, part of this inspection involves the recalculation of the safe load capacity of any structure showing remarkable deterioration of the structural components of that structure and WHEREAS, that structural evaluation has resulted in the recommendation to increase the safe load capacity that can be supported by certain structures, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors on this 30th day of June, 2025 as provided in Sections 321.471, 321.472, and 321.473, Code of Iowa to erect and/or maintain weight limit signs in advance of the following bridges located on the Local Secondary Road System as follows: Passed and approved this 30th day of June, 2025. the vote thereon being as follows: /ss/ Jacob Hackman, Chair, Ayes: Cerwinske, Suckow, Breitbach, Hackman. Absent: Carter. ATTEST: /ss/ Sheila Shekleton, Auditor Detailed document on file at Auditor's office and on county's website https://www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov

Consensus of the Board of Supervisors to have Secondary Roads send out Request for Proposals for architectural consultant for Chickasaw County Engineer's Office Building.

Secondary Roads updates

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Breitbach to approve the renewal of the Adopt A Highway permit for the Alta Vista Aces 4-H Club to renew their Adopt A Highway permit for litter control along B-22 from Alta Vista east 1.5 miles and authorize chair's signature. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinske, Suckow, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to approve the renewal of the Adopt A Highway permit for the North Washington Volunteer Fire Department to remove litter along V18 from 155th Street south to 180th Street and authorize chair's signature. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Suckow, Cerwinske, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to approve the renewal of the Adopt A Highway permit for 4-H Ionia Rustlers to remove litter along B57 from Durham Ave. east to Fayette Ave and authorize chair's signature. Roll Call: Ayes: Cerwinske, Suckow, Breitbach, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinske to approve the renewal of the Adopt A Highway permit for the Ionia Volunteer Fire Department to remove litter along V-14 from Hwy 18 south to 230th Street and authorize chair's signature. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinske, Suckow, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinske to approve Heartland Insurance Risk Pool invoice for \$529,450.37 to be paid in FY25-26 for county insurance. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinske, Suckow, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to acknowledge increase in pay for Sheila Ferrell, Sheriff's office, from \$25.39/hr. to \$26.89/hr. per union contract effective June 30, 2025. Roll Call: Ayes: Cerwinske, Suckow, Breitbach, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinske to approve Cellular lease agreement assignment. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinske, Suckow, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to award a two-year contract for Chickasaw County's Human Resources to PJ Greufe & Associates at \$1,500.00 per month for two-years. Roll Call: Ayes: Suckow, Hackman. Nays: Breitbach, Cerwinske. Absent: Carter. Motion failed.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Breitbach to award a contract for Chickasaw County's Human Resources to Hopkins & Huebner, P.C. at an hourly rate. Roll Call: Ayes: Cerwinske, Breitbach Nays: Suckow, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion failed.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinske to award a contract for Chickasaw County's Human Resources to Ahlers Cooney Attorneys at same rate as before. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinske. Nays: Suckow, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion failed.

Discussion of 28E Agreement with County Social Services (CSS).

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to appoint Lacey Kelly to the Upham Memorial Library Board as the rural member to fill vacancy ending December 31, 2026. Roll Call: Ayes: Suckow, Breitbach, Cerwinske, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to enter closed session under Iowa Code 21.5(k)ref Iowa Code 22.7(50) to discuss updated security procedures at county owned property at 10:00 AM. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Suckow, Cerwinske, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to exit closed session under Iowa Code 21.5(k)ref Iowa Code 22.7(50) to discuss updated security procedures at county owned property at 10:42 AM. Roll Call: Ayes: Suckow, Breitbach, Cerwinske, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

No action taken outside of closed session.

Discussion on Commercial Solar Farms with Land Use Administrator Raymond Armel.

Discussion on Urban Renewal Plan's potential projects.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to approve payroll check date June 27, 2025. Roll Call: Ayes: Suckow, Cerwinske, Breitbach, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to approve prior bill in the amount of \$153.19. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Suckow, Cerwinske, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinske to approve claims in the amount of \$342,653.21. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinske, Suckow, Hackman. Absent: Carter. Motion carried.

Committee Assignments

Supervisor Suckow, June 26, 2025, Turkey River Water Shed & Iowa Workforce Supervisor Hackman, June 25, 2025, CSS, Courthouse Security, June 19, 2025 All Supervisors attended 6 County Meeting, June 26, 2025

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to adjourn at 11:32 AM. Roll Call: Ayes: Cerwinske, Suckow, Breitbach, Hackman. Absent: Carter, Motion carried.

Jacob Hackman, Chairperson

Board of Supervisors

ATTEST

Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board