

2008 – 2009 Guthrie County Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes  
Meeting Place: Guthrie County Courthouse  
Meeting Start Time: 9:00 AM  
Board of Supervisors

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

July 1, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Roger Baird, Guthrie County Sheriff, spoke to the board about the location of a storage building he has budgeted for FY08-09. Kris Katzmann had told him that the proposed site is where he planned to put up a hoop building. Katzmann has suggested Baird's building be moved to a portion of the leased hay ground.

The board had no problems with the site of the building being moved provided it could be worked out with the individual leasing the hay ground.

Minutes for 06/24/08 and 06/26/08 were read and approved.

Petersen suggested that the county offer to pay one third of the cost to clean out the ditch affecting the water flow across McCuen's and Feller's property but it was a one time offer. The ditch referred to is on private property. The board agreed with Petersen's suggestion.

Petersen had been contacted by Mike Sheeder about a bridge on gravel road having a weight limit that he needs to use to harvest crops. This is the only entrance to the property.

There was discussion on possible solution.

Katzmann said he would have Calhoun-Burns look at it to come up with alternatives to address the problem.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

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Regular Session

July 3, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, and Lonnie Bench.

Motion Laughery seconded Wirt to approve the hiring of Krysty Melton as a part-time dispatcher at \$13.00/hr. All ayes.

Motion Wirt seconded Bench to approve fireworks permits for Muriel Lehman and Craig Little. All ayes.

Motion Bench seconded Laughery to approve the revised policies and procedures for Guthrie County. All ayes.

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Regular Session

July 8, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench, and James Petersen.

Minutes for 07/01/08 and 07/03/08 were read and approved.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve Resolution 09-01: to authorize an interfund transfer of \$15,571.00 from the General Basic Fund to into the Amphitheater Fund. Roll call Vote: Ayes- Wirt, Laughery, Bench and Petersen. Absent-Caraher.

Kris Katzmann gave the board an update on the Penn 22, the Baker 177, and the Cass 230 Bridges.

Joel Herron's longevity raise was approved; it had been previously omitted when his position change was approved by the board.

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Lonnie E. Bench  
Vice Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Patti McAndrews  
Guthrie County Deputy Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

July 10, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench, and James Petersen.

Joe Hanner gave the board June Guthrie County Conservation Board Minutes to review.

There was discussion on the new sign for the Guthrie County Historical Village and the Pavex Asphalt Rejuvenator that is to be applied to 3.5 miles of the bike trail from Yale to 130<sup>th</sup> Street.

Hanner told the board that he had met with the FEMA representative yesterday and feels the total dollars of damage will be significant. Nation's Bridge Park will need to have 25 electrical boxes replaced. Portions of the park will be opened as conditions dictate. Hanner reported the riverbank at the park had sustained major damage and there was damage near the bike trail close to the Greene County line.

Hanner also requested that the FY07-08 unexpended balances for Conservation and the Historical Village be transferred into the County Conservation Reserve Fund.

It was requested to be put on the agenda for 07/15/08.

Motion Wirt seconded Laughery to approve Mike Brooks's longevity raise from \$15.84 to \$15.88. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to approve Resolution 09-02: stating that the 2700 block of Hickory Avenue, in Section 31 and 32 of Baker Township, be closed to through traffic until such time as project L-BA-186--73-39, a box culvert, is completed. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Laughery, Bench, and Petersen. Absent-Caraher.

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Lonnie E. Bench  
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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench, and James Petersen.

Motion Laughery seconded Bench to approve the Public Health Nursing and Home Health Aide State Grant. All ayes.

Minutes for 07/08/08 and 07/10/08 were read and approved.

Motion Wirt seconded Petersen to approve Resolution 09-03: to authorize an interfund transfer of \$14,592.78 from the General Basic Fund into the Conservation Reserve Fund. Roll call Vote: Ayes- Caraher, Wirt, Laughery, Bench and Petersen.

The Guthrie County Board of Health minutes for 06/18/08 were reviewed.

The Clerk of Court Report of Fees Collected for 06/08 and the County Auditor's Report of Fees Collected for the quarter ending 06/30/08 were reviewed and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$337,831.76 were reviewed and approved.

Bob Kempf, Emergency Management Services, told the board he plans to lease a vehicle from Macke Ford through a state grant program. The County would be reimbursed quarterly by the state. Adair County will be paying for half the gasoline, insurance, and maintenance for the vehicle. Guthrie County is the only county on the lease.

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Regular Session

July 22, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt and Larry Laughery.

Glenda Edwards, who has resigned as Risk Manager effective 09/15/08, reviewed the duties of the Risk Manager with the board. She recommended that the Risk Manager and the Safety Coordinator be combined into one position. Edwards told the board that there are not only OSHA regulations but EPA, DNR, and NFPA regulations that have to be followed. Also IMWCA and ICAP encourage counties to have someone in these positions.

John Rutledge, representing the Lake Panorama Association, invited the board to tour the erosion operations. The date of Tuesday 08/05/08 was set from the tour. The board will meet at the LPA offices, 5006 Panorama Drive, Panora at 9am. Rutledge told the board that he also plans to invite others in the community to participate.

Kris Katzmann told the board FEMA will help pay for some of the latest storm damage. The box culvert at Crabbs has been started, one section of right-of-way for the Penn 9 Bridge still has to be purchased, and he was still waiting to hear from the Corp. of Engineers on the Baker 177 Bridge.

Laughery asked that someone check with the Corp. of Engineers on the progress of the Baker 177 Bridge.

Katzmann said he would have someone check on it.

C.W. Thomas told the board that the Fair Board was considering have a beer tent that would be used in conjunction with events held at the amphitheater.

Laughery asked if the county would have any liability from the venture.

Thomas was going to verify the county would have no liability for the beer tent.

Motion Laughery seconded Wirt to approve publishing the FY 08-09 salaries. All ayes.

The Treasurer's Annual Report for the period ending 06/30/08 was reviewed and approved.

Motion Wirt seconded Laughery to approve Amendment #7-Eligible Classes of Dependents, to the Guthrie County Employee Health Plan. All ayes.

Minutes for 07/15/08 were read and approved.

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Regular Session

July 24, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery and Lonnie Bench.

Jason White from Midwest Partnership gave the board a quarterly update. Also present was Midwest Partnership board member Mike Underwood.

The eight business/industrial parks within the area covered by Midwest Partnership were reviewed as was the virtual building software. White also gave the board a handout with other items of interest.

Mike Underwood told the board that more people are looking at Midwest Partnership's website before making actual contact with the staff and that within the next year Midwest Partnership should be debt free.

Kris Katzmann told the board that the Corp. of Engineers is reviewing the wetlands mitigation plan for the Baker 177 Bridge and that it would take one to three weeks. He still plans for a December or January letting with winter working days for the project.

Katzmann also told the board that he was waiting on the purchase of right-of-way for the Penn 9 Bridge, the Yale Road would be let in January and that Bill Kindred had been a big help with the FEMA paperwork.

Katzmann requested permission to buy a new laptop with AutoCAD light software.

The board requested Katzmann bring prices back to them for review.

Mary Benton, Guthrie County Attorney, spoke to the board about hiring a new secretary and what the starting salary would be for this position.

The Sheriff's Quarterly Report for the quarter ending 06/30/08 was reviewed and approved.

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Lonnie E. Bench  
Vice Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

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Regular Session

July 29, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Mary Benton, Guthrie County Attorney, discussed the salary for her new secretary with the board. Benton has not yet made the job offer to an applicant.

Benton also spoke to the board about the county's potential liability related to the proposed beer tent that would be used in conjunction with events held at the amphitheater. The grant from Vision Iowa for the amphitheater is through Guthrie County. Benton suggested that a rider be added to the County Fair's insurance to assure that Guthrie County is held harmless. Benton also plans to speak with a Vision Iowa representative to help clarify the liability issue.

Kris Katzmann told the board that there has been more damage from the latest rains and that damages could be included in the FEMA requests since no deadline has been set for it. Katzmann has Bill Kindred out checking the additional damage.

The discussion of the engineer's contract was tabled until 08/07/08 so that a full board would be present.

C.W. Thomas updated the board on his findings on the liability of the county as it relates to the amphitheater. Thomas told the board that Guthrie County had no liability related to the amphitheater or the proposed beer tent.

The Veteran Affairs Commission Report for the quarter ending 06/30/08 was reviewed and approved.

Minutes for 07/22/08 and 07/24/08 were read and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$457,151.86 were reviewed and approved.

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Board of Supervisors  
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August 5, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met at the Lake Panorama Association Offices with the following members present: Larry Laughery, Kevin Wirt and James Petersen.

Also present were Frank Teale, Doug Hemphill, and Dale Grotjohn representing the Panorama Rural Improvement Zone, John Rutledge representing the Lake Panorama Association, Mike Monthei, Dredge Operator, John Millhollin, Superintendent Panorama Community Schools, Barry Stetzel, Guthrie County Assessor and Jerri Christman, Guthrie County Auditor.

Those present toured Lake Panorama's erosion/dredging operations.

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James Petersen  
Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Regular Session

August 7, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Mary Benton, Guthrie County Attorney, asked the board to approve the hiring of Kim Michael as her new secretary at \$25,500 annually with a start date 08/18/08.

Motion Bench seconded Wirt to approve hiring Kim Michael as the Guthrie County Attorney's secretary at a starting annual salary at \$25,500. All ayes.

Benton had spoken to a Vision Iowa representative, with the Vision Iowa Board's approval ownership of the amphitheater can be conveyed to the Guthrie County Fair Board before the three years stipulated in the agreement.

Kris Katzmann gave the board a progress voucher for the Cass 230 Bridge for approval.

Katzmann told the board that he is having people check into the Army Corp. of Engineers progress with the wetland mitigation plan for the Baker 177 Bridge and the right-of-way yet to be purchased related to the Penn 10 Bridge.

Katzmann told the board that he would be asking for a one year extension at the same salary with no changes from his current contract.

The discussion of the engineer's contract was tabled until a full board can be present.

Petersen told the board that he had given Dean Downing permission to have a new shaft made for the fan for the air conditioner. The current one is bent causing bearings to go out. Also the housing is cracked and will need to be fixed.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to approve moving the Christmas holiday from 12/24/08-12/25/08 to 12/25/08-12/26/08. All ayes.

Minutes for 07/29/08 were read and approved.

Becky Larson with State Street Insurance reviewed the visit by the Work Comp. Loss Control Representative saying he would still like to see a designated physician policy adopted by the county where only one physician is designated.

Larson told the board that if it has ownership of the amphitheater it will need to insure it.

Larson also told the board that Guthrie County needs to be listed on the Guthrie County Fair's policy for liability and that Guthrie County has no liability related to the dram shop since it is the fair board allowing the sale of alcohol. There is no correlation between the sale of alcohol and the amphitheater.

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Regular Session

August 12, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, and James Petersen.

Diane Jackson, CPC, presented three contracts to the board. They were from Carroll Community Service/New Hope Village and Mallard View which were asking for two percent increases and Mary Greeley Hospital with no changes in the contract itself but there were increases in the charges.

Motion Wirt seconded Petersen to approve the contracts with Carroll Community Service/New Hope, Mallard View, and Mary Greeley Hospital. All ayes.

Stephen Patterson, County Sanitarian, told the board the transfer station policy that requires customers to pay cash if they have past due amounts older than 60 days is working out well.

Patterson asked the board about an outstanding amount relating to items brought in by one party but charged to another that has resulted in neither party paying the bill.

The board stated that the person bringing the items to the transfer station should be the responsible party.

Patterson spoke to the board about past due accounts.

Patterson gave an update on the Household Hazardous Materials building and program. The building is on site and his staff is just waiting for their training which is required before the program can become operational.

Patterson told the board that the DNR is going to require a sewer system in Yale.

Kris Katzmann told the board that the Adair-Casey School is requesting a stop sign which will require a resolution by the board. It was added to the agenda for Thursday.

Mary Benton, County Attorney, asked the board how they wanted to handle the transfer of the ownership of the amphitheater.

Motion Petersen seconded Wirt to approve requesting that the Vision Iowa Board allow Guthrie County to convey any interest it has in the amphitheater to the Guthrie Agricultural Society/Guthrie County Fair Board. All ayes.

Benton requested a date be set for a hearing to be held on the condition of the Michaelson property in Monteith. The hearing was scheduled for 09/23/08 at 10:00<sup>AM</sup>.

Claims in the amount of \$297,743.35 were reviewed and approved.

Minutes for 08/05/08 and 08/07/08 were read and approved.

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Regular Session

August 14, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery and James Petersen.

Joe Hanner gave the board July Guthrie County Conservation Board Minutes to review.

Hanner told the board they were busy with flood repairs. Hanner said there were three major problem areas at Nations Bridge Park one of which FEMA would help repair with a possibility of FEMA money for the second project. The third does not qualify for FEMA but could be eligible for the NCRS emergency watershed program.

Hanner also mentioned that a culvert a half mile south of Yale and the Middle Raccoon River Access were other areas that suffered significant damage.

Hanner reported that he has signed FEMA Project Worksheets on two projects so far.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to approve Mike Pearey's longevity raise from \$20.74 to \$20.78. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Wirt to approve Resolution 09-04: to place a stop sign at the Adair Casey School entrance onto Indigo Avenue. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Caraher, Wirt, Laughery, and Petersen. Absent-Bench.

Kris Katzmann told the board he should hear about the wetland mitigation plan for the Baker 177 Bridge within the next three weeks and that water was being put through the Hickory Avenue box culvert today.

Katzmann also gave the board a brief FEMA update saying the larger projects could take up to two years to complete.

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Jeri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
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Regular Session

August 21, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Roger Baird, County Sheriff, asked the board about the county helping to sponsor the teen dance at the Guthrie County Fair.

The board stated it would not be fair to single out one event in the county to sponsor.

The Clerk of Court Report of Fees Collected for 07/08 was reviewed and approved.

Minutes for 08/12/08 and 08/14/08 were read and approved.

Laughery stated he had gotten a bid to treat the roof of the public health building of \$1,500. It was agreed to move forward with this project.

Laughery suggested to the board they consider adding an addendum to the Lake Panorama Rural Improvement Zone Agreement to add that the agreement would need to be reviewed prior to its conclusion and that something was being drafted by the Lake Panorama Association for consideration.

The board plans to canvass the General Election on Wednesday, 11/12/08.

Kris Katzmann told the board that the wetlands mitigation plan for the Baker 177 Bridge has been approved, that he hopes to have it let in November and that submission of wetland mitigation monitoring reports will be required for five years after its completion.

Katzmann reported that the box culvert on Hickory Avenue was done.

Matt Sorensen from Midland GIS gave the board an update.

It was requested that the drainage districts be added to the maps.

Sorensen thought they could be added for not more than \$500 if the maps had to be scanned into the system.

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Regular Session

August 26, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Minutes for 08/21/08 were read and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$337,539.04 were reviewed and approved.

Michele Frantum spoke to the board regarding the right-of-way/ditches on each side of her driveway. She has the area landscaped and wanted assurance that her property would not be disrupted by the county. Frantum showed the board pictures of the area being discussed.

The board had no issues with the landscaped ditches.

Laughery assured Frantum the county would give her proper notice should any actions ever be taken.

C.W. Thomas and Marilyn Rasmussen were present to invite the board to the Guthrie County Fair.

Kris Katzmann told the board that the box culvert on Hickory Avenue was completed, they will be pouring the forms for the Penn 22 Bridge today or tomorrow and the Cass 230 Bridge was about 30% completed.

Katzmann informed the board that he had another job offer and asked the board what it was offering to keep him in Guthrie County.

The board told him he had previously requested a one year extension at the same salary.

Katzmann told the board he would give them his decision on Thursday.

Laughery told the board he had spoken to John Rutledge and that the RIZ board would like to leave the RIZ agreement as it is but that it plans to invite the board of supervisors over to tour the projects on a yearly basis.

Liz Gilman a volunteer for the White Pole Road Association was present to ask the board for a letter of support for the declaration of White Pole Road to be an Iowa DOT Scenic and Historic Byway.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to approve a letter of support for the declaration of White Pole Road to be an Iowa DOT Scenic and Historic Byway. All ayes.

Justin McGill from the Farmers Cooperative was present to ask the board's approval to add 135' anhydrous tank to the Yale Cooperative site. It owns ground on the east side of cooperative and plans to put the tank in that area.

Motion Wirt seconded Bench to approve the addition of an anhydrous tank by Farmers Cooperative in Yale. All ayes.

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Regular Session

August 28, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

The Mental Health Advocate expenses were reviewed and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Bench to approve the plans for BROS-CO39(50)--8J-39, Baker 177 Bridge. All ayes.

Katzmann told the board he was meeting with Jeff Ockeltree to get an estimate for the Seely 186 bridge repair, that the Cass 230 Bridge was going well and they were making headway on the Penn 22 Bridge.

Katzmann thanked the board for offering him an extension of his existing contract but gave the board his resignation and his 30 days notice saying he had accepted a federal job. Katzmann's last day will be 09/28/08.

The board wished him the best of luck in his new position.

Petersen brought up an article that appeared in the 08/27/08 Guthrie Center Times regarding Katzmann. Scott Gonzales was present.

It was clarified that the board had asked Katzmann what he was requesting and he stated a one year extension at the same salary. Katzmann verified this at the 08/26/08 meeting and told the board he would give them a decision at the 08/28/08 meeting. It was also stated that action had not been taken by the board earlier because a full board was required to vote on the engineer's contract.

Katzmann told the board it had been fun working for them and he felt that they had made great strides while he was here.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to accept Kris Katzmann's resignation. All ayes.

Discussion was held on what action would be taken next to recruit a new county engineer.

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Regular Session

September 2, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Minutes for 08/26/08 and 08/28/08 were read and approved.

Marcia Kindred, County Treasurer, spoke to the board about Resolution 09-05: to abate taxes, penalties, interest and costs related to a 1977 Windsor Mobile Home located in Casey. Kindred told the board she has been unable to locate where the mobile home is at and the owner has not responded to her letters of inquiry.

The board directed Kindred to take it to Mary Benton, County Attorney, and ask her to get a judgment against the owner for the outstanding amount.

Motion Bench seconded Laughery to table Resolution 09-05. All ayes.

Randy Clipperton gave the board a road conditions update. Clipperton told the board that the deadlines had been missed with Central Salt and the DOT to order rock salt. Clipperton was able to arrange for the county to get 400 tons of rock salt.

The board asked Clipperton about getting the markings painted on the county's paved roads.

Clipperton told the board that if no bids had been taken for work to be done it may be too late to get the painting done this year.

The ad for the County Engineer was discussed.

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Regular Session

September 4, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Marcia Kindred, County Treasurer, spoke to the board about assigning a tax sale property that was not purchased at the last tax sale to the city of Guthrie Center.

Petersen told the board Kris Katzmann had called him to inform him that a contract had been signed to paint P28 and White Pole Road. It should be done the middle of October.

The ad for the County Engineer was finalized.

The board stated Kris Katzmann needs to give them an update on all projects before he leaves.

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Regular Session

September 9, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Stephen Patterson, County Sanitarian, spoke to the board about purchasing a storage container for electronic waste. He has located a 22' by approximately 10' high container which would cost \$1,800.

The board asked him to check some other places for prices.

Patterson updated the board on the City Clean-up Days, the household hazardous materials program, the Yale council's decision to support on-site septic systems and the Foresman house in Monteith.

Patterson told the board the delinquent payment issues had been resolved and there is a problem with the fire alarm system at the transfer station sending out false alarms which can be fixed by adding one or possibly two phone lines.

Patterson told the board that Pam Chance, mayor of Jamaica, has requested the county looking into a mosquito spraying program through FEMA.

After hearing the details of the program, the board said that the mosquito spraying being done was not necessarily flood related and was not interested in participating in the program.

Tony Wagers and Nic Chance were present so Wagers could express his concerns about Hillary Butler. He told the board there have been four to five incidents relating to him grading the road in front of her property with the incidents escalating in severity.

The board said they would try to help resolve the situation.

Roger Baird, County Sheriff, told the board he is planning on getting a new vehicle and wanted to know if the board wanted to trade the old vehicle in, the trade-in value of the old vehicle is \$5,000.

The board told him to trade in the old vehicle.

Minutes for 09/02/08 and 09/04/08 were read and approved.

Region XII requested the county contribute funds for the 2009 Housing Trust Fund Program. It will be added to Thursday's agenda.

Mary Benton, County Attorney, updated the board on several issues.

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Regular Session

September 11, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Joe Hanner gave the board August Guthrie County Conservation Board Minutes to review and the Guthrie County Conservation Board Annual Report for FYE 06/30/08 for review and approval.

Motion Petersen seconded Wirt to approve the Guthrie County Conservation Board Annual Report for FYE 06/30/08. All ayes.

Hanner gave the board an update on the funding for the Raccoon River Valley Trail Extension CAT grant project.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to approve Resolution 09-06: to provide match funds for the 2009 Housing Trust Fund Program. Roll call vote: Ayes-Caraher, Wirt, Laughery, Bench, and Petersen.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to approve the liquor license for the Prairie View Bed and Breakfast. All ayes.

Guthrie County no longer has any ownership in the amphitheater located on the Guthrie County Fairgrounds. Also all responsibilities of the related CAT grant are that of the Guthrie County Agricultural Society.

There has been a request for a contribution to be made to Western Iowa Advantage. The board requested that Jason White, Executive Director of Midwest Partnership Corp., come in and explain what benefits have been received by Guthrie County from past contributions to Western Iowa Advantage.

Kendall Kipp spoke to the board about the farm ground he leases from the county. He had questions about the fence shared with Stonehockers' property and about tiling wet spots on the property.

The board said they would speak to Stonehockers and asked him to get some estimates for the tiling.

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Canvass of Votes School Election

September 12, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

The votes of the 09/09/08 school election were canvassed and remain the same.

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Jeri Christman  
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Guthrie County

Regular Session

September 16, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Kris Katzmann gave the board progress vouchers for the Bays Branch Bridge which were reviewed and approved.

The Bailey Bridge is now set to have a January 2009 letting date.

Carolyn Wilson, from the Guthrie County Extension Office spoke to the board about a proclamation for National 4-H week. It was added to Thursday's agenda.

Minutes for 09/09/08, 09/11/08 and 09/12/08 were read and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$579,827.91 were reviewed and approved.

Mental Health Advocate expenses were review and approved.

Diane Jackson, CPC, presented a contract with Jennie Edmundson Memorial Hospital and Guthrie County's HCBS MR waiver slots to the board.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve the contract with Jennie Edmundson Memorial Hospital. All ayes.

Motion Wirt seconded Petersen to approve no change in Guthrie County's HCBS MR waiver slots. All ayes.

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Lonnie E. Bench  
Vice Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

September 18, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Carolyn Wilson presented a proclamation to the board to proclaim October 5<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, 2008 as National 4-H Week in Guthrie County.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to approve the proclamation for National 4-H Week. All ayes.

Randy Clipperton updated the board on a bridge that had fallen in. Clipperton suggested the tonnage on the bridge be lower or the bridge be closed and that the board should get a consultant in to inspect all the bridges in the county.

Clipperton also told that board that little bridge maintenance had been done in the last five years.

The board told Clipperton to lower the tonnage on the bridge.

The board told Clipperton it would contact Calhoun-Burns regarding the bridge inspections.

Frank DeMarco and Diane England from American Administrators spoke to the board about offering a quote for the county on health insurance.

The board gave them permission to present a quote when it is ready.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

September 23, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Minutes for 09/16/08 and 09/18/08 were read and approved.

Denise Ballard and Kerry Erts with Iowa Governmental Health Care Plan spoke to the board about the services they could offer. They represent a partial self-funded health insurance plan.

The board gave them permission to present a quote when ready.

Motion Bench seconded Wirt to open a hearing at 10:00AM on the Michaelson property located at 2567 Quarry Lane, Guthrie Center, IA. All ayes.

Present for the hearing were Mary Benton, County Attorney, Stephen Patterson, County Sanitarian, Doug Kopaska, home owner in Monteith, Eric Reinhart, attorney for Richard Michaelson, and present by phone Tammy Ray.

Reinhart told the board that the three current property owners have executed quit claim deeds to their interests in the property to Richard Michaelson and Richard Michaelson was requesting that he be given until 01/01/09 to clean-up the property and cap the well.

Kopaska representing neighbors to the property said that the 01/01/09 deadline would be acceptable. Kopaska also reiterated that numerous rats have been seen coming from the residence.

Tammy Ray agreed with the comments made about the property.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to close the public hearing at 10:15AM. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Bench to find the Michaelson property located at 2567 Quarry Lane, Guthrie Center, IA, as it exists does constitute both a nuisance and a dangerous building and pursuant to the powers granted by Iowa Code Section 331.384 the board orders that the owners of the property located at 2567 Quarry Lane, Guthrie Center, IA shall remove immediately the house and all other trash and debris from the stated address in its entirety, properly dispose of all said debris, and properly plug the abandoned well on the property all by no later than 01/01/09 and that prior to demolition the rats known to be currently living at the property be eradicated using a method to be designated by the Guthrie County Sanitarian and if said work is not completed in full by 01/01/09, Guthrie County may in its authority granted under 331.384 perform said clean up and assess the reasonable costs of same against the property to be collected with taxes, and shall constitute a lien on the property until paid in full. All ayes.

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Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

September 25, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Kris Katzmann gave the board a report of the status of the Secondary Roads Department including a review of current projects and contracts that are signed with the work yet to be performed. Katzmann also gave the board an excel spreadsheet showing the bridges in the county broken by estimated life expectancy that are recommended for maintenance in 2009 as well as a listing of potential projects that if completed would require amendments to the budget and program.

Katzmann left the board a binder containing information he thought they would find helpful.

Auxiant representatives, Donielle Jarvela and Tom O'Brien, were present to go over proposed changes in the county's health plan document and to give a six month review of the health plan. Also present for the discussion were Caraher, Petersen, Nic Chance and Jerri Christman.

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Board of Supervisors  
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Regular Session

September 30, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Jason White from Midwest Partnership gave the board a quarterly update. Also present was John Rutledge a Midwest Partnership board member.

White discussed the advantages of participating in Western Iowa Advantage.

Laughery asked White what membership in Western Iowa Advantage has brought to Guthrie County in additional tax base.

White responded that it brings in opportunities for the county and that the state gave each region money for the first three years. To participate in the Sell Iowa trips the county must participate in Western Iowa Advantage as well as other activities such as the work force summit and the virtual building program.

Motion Wirt seconded Laughery to approve the 2008 contribution of \$4,913 to Western Iowa Advantage. All ayes.

Dean Downing spoke to the board about the proposal to replace the single bottom cylinder of the elevator with a double bottom cylinder.

The board asked Downing to get another quote for the elevator work.

Minutes for 09/23/08 and 09/25/08 were read and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Wirt to approve the two new Public Health employees, Heidi Kenney and Emily Wells both at an hourly wage of \$19.88. All ayes.

Motion Wirt seconded Bench to approve Kris Arrasmith as an Assistant Appraiser in the Assessor's office at a salary of \$30,759 annually with an increase to \$35,886 annually after six months of probation. Ayes-Wirt, Laughery, Bench and Petersen. Nay-Caraher.

The County Recorder's Report of Fees Collected for the quarter ending 06/30/08 was reviewed and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$372,187.74 were reviewed and approved.

The board gave its permission for the school to use the county's courtyard for homecoming.

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Board of Supervisors  
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Regular Session

October 2, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Dave Paulson, Carroll County Engineer, agreed to serve as the interim Guthrie County Engineer. Paulson requested hourly reimbursement of \$71.41 with \$56.41/hr. being paid to Carroll County and \$15.00/hr. being paid directly to Paulson through payroll.

Flood damage, bridges, and projects were discussed.

Paulson said he would come back and speak to the board once he has had chance to review the department and look at some of the roads and bridges of concern.

Motion Bench seconded Laughery to approve Resolution 09-07 to appoint Dave Paulson as the acting Guthrie County Engineer. Roll call vote: Ayes-Caraher, Wirt, Laughery, Bench and Petersen.

The board reviewed and approved a progress voucher from Herberger Construction for the Bays Branch Bridge.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

October 7, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Stephen Patterson, County Sanitarian, spoke to the board about clean-up of the Foresman property in Monteith. Foresman has agreed to clean-up the property voluntarily but no action has yet been taken. A certified letter will be mailed to Foresman giving him 30 days to take action before the legal process is started.

Patterson also made the board aware of an error in filing a claim in small claims court. The claim has been dismissed.

Minutes for 09/30/08 and 10/02/08 were read and approved.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

October 9, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Joe Hanner gave the board September Guthrie County Conservation Board Minutes to review.

Hanner told the board that the Guthrie County Conservation Board opened sealed bids on 10/08/08 for rip-rap projects at Nations Bridge Park. The project has been broken into four parts. Three of which are FEMA related the fourth is going through the NRCS Emergency Watershed Protection program.

Hanner also updated the board on the CAT grant and repairs of the flood damages.

Hanner discussed fixing a half mile of the bike trail south of Yale which is in bad condition and putting together a project for the bike trail from Panorama to Yale asking if the board would be willing to contribute money towards the project or possible time of the new engineer.

The board said any extra money would be needed to fix bridges and roads and it could not speak for an engineer who has not yet been hired.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to appoint Karen Burchfield to the Region XII Regional Housing Authority Executive Board of Commissioners for the period of 10/01/08 to 09/30/09. All ayes.

The Sheriff's Office Quarterly Report for the quarter ending 09/30/08 was reviewed and approved.

The upcoming risk management meeting was discussed as was the risk manager position.

The updated health plan was given to the board for its review.

Jerri Christman, County Auditor, asked if it would be possible to switch the election store room with a bigger office since the new election equipment is taking up more room.

The board looked at the current store room and the office that could be used instead. The board gave its approval for the change if the current election store room had the required wiring for those being moved into it.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
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Regular Session

October 14, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Glenda Edwards gave the board a list of conditions she requested be met before she would agree to return as Guthrie County's Risk Manager/Safety Coordinator. These included a pay increase of \$2.00/hr. for the additional responsibilities.

Motion Wirt seconded Petersen to approve reappointing Edwards to the position of Risk Manager agreeing to her conditions which included the \$2.00/hr. pay increase. All ayes.

John Menefee spoke to the board regarding two issues. The first was the paint used to paint the white lines on the sides of the paved roads. He informed the board there was nothing that made the paint reflective so the lines could not be seen in adverse conditions. The second issue was that the cedar trees on Redwood Road needed to be cut back. The trees were making it difficult to see.

Minutes for 10/07/08 and 10/09/08 were read and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to approve Resolution 09-08 Interfund Operating Transfer to transfer \$39,197.94 from the General Basic Fund and \$569,635.77 from the Rural Services Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Wirt, Laughery, Bench, and Petersen. Absent-Caraheer.

Claims in the amount of \$432,463.99 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Wirt seconded Laughery to approve the Family Farm/Agland Credit Applications. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Wirt to approve a longevity raise for Todd Plowman from \$15.88/hr. to \$15.92/hr. All ayes.

At the recommendation of the Guthrie County Planning and Zoning Commission Amendments 88 and 89 were tabled until both the commission and the board could informal view the two properties.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve Amendment 90. All ayes.

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Lonnie E. Bench  
Vice Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jeri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
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Regular Session

October 21, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, and James Petersen.

Stephen Patterson, County Sanitarian, reported to the board that the regular September annual inspection for the closed landfill and transfer station operational aspects were rated as good by TEC.

Patterson told the board he has received correspondence from the DNR regarding monitoring wells below number 12 and went over the available options to address the issues and reviewed the first quarter financials for the transfer station.

The board reviewed and approved a pay voucher for Herberger Construction.

Minutes for 10/14/08 were read and approved.

Janell Stingham reviewed Public Health's statistical report for the quarter ending 09/30/08 and the Annual Report for the FYE 06/30/08. Stringham also discussed staffing.

The board reviewed a request from an employee to drop insurance that is purchased through a cafeteria plan. The reason for the change did not qualify under any of the accepted change in status events thus the request was not approved.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
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Jerri Christman  
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Regular Session

October 23, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Dave Paulson, acting county engineer, reported to the board his findings and suggestions thus far. Paulson suggested that there be an additional supervisory position of road foreman and recommended Chad Redfern for the position. Paulson also suggested advertising for an assistant engineer.

Paulson is in the process of evaluating the situation so that a course can be charted to address issues the most efficiently.

Paulson clarified what he was requesting for payment from Guthrie County for his services. Paulson previously requested hourly reimbursement of \$71.41 with \$56.41/hr. being paid to Carroll County and \$15.00/hr. being paid directly to Paulson through payroll. It was clarified that he would also be paid for working overtime defined as any time worked after 3:30pm including travel time at a rate of \$50.00/hr. which would be paid to Paulson through payroll.

The board reviewed and approved the employee health plan.

Claims in the amount of \$534.00 were reviewed and approved.

The board approved changing back to EMC for the county's life insurance from Mutual of Omaha.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
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Regular Session

October 28, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt and Larry Laughery.

Lahoma Counts, Beth Bahnson, Kim Barker, Karen Burchfield, and Robert Ammann were present representing the Elderbridge Agency on Aging.

Counts reviewed the FYE 08 Annual Report and the Older Iowans Legislature for the 2008 session.

Counts requested funding for FY09-10 of \$7,084.80.

Motion Wirt seconded Laughery to approve funding for the Elderbridge Agency on Aging for FY09-10 of \$7,084.80. All ayes.

Mary Benton, County Attorney, introduced Britt Gagne, the new part-time Assistant Guthrie County Attorney to the board.

Benton requested approval of a raise for her secretary, Kim Michael, of \$2,000 to \$27,500 annually.

Motion Wirt seconded Laughery to approve Michael's raise of \$2,000 to \$27,500 annually with the understanding that another raise would not be requested for six months. All ayes.

Minutes for 10/21/08 and 10/23/08 were reviewed and approved.

The Report of Veteran Affairs Commission and the County Auditor's Report of Fees Collected for the quarter ending 09/30/08 were reviewed and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$346,577.57 were reviewed and approved.

Hazardous Substance Spill Ordinance was reviewed with the second reading scheduled for October 30, 2008.

Dave Paulson, acting county engineer, requested the board appoint Chad Redfern, Foreman with an increase of \$1.00/hr.

Motion Laughery seconded Wirt to approve Chad Redfern as Foreman with an increase in pay of \$1.00/hr. All ayes.

Paulson asked the board for its input in putting together a long range plan for dealing with the bridges in the county.

Paulson asked the board if it would have a problem using asphalt instead of a PC overlay on the Yale road. Paulson thought it would be less intrusive to the public and hold up just as well and may be more cost effective.

The board had no issues with the change provided it could withstand the traffic on the road.

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Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

October 30, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Motion Bench seconded Laughery to approve Britt Gagne, as the new Assistant County Attorney at an annual salary of \$24,000. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Bench to accept the Hazardous Substance Spills Ordinance and to waive the third reading of the ordinance. Roll call vote: Ayes-Laughery, Bench and Caraher. Absent-Petersen and Wirt.

Motion Laughery seconded Bench to open the public hearing for Amendment 89 to the Zoning Ordinance. All ayes.

It was the zoning board's recommendation to approve Amendment 89 with the understanding that there would be an 8 ft. privacy fence which is closed on three sides, there would be weed control and there would be a graveled area on which cars are stored and cement in front of the building. Amended on 03/31/09 to include the deadline date of 10/01/09.

Motion Bench seconded Laughery to close the public hearing. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Bench to approve Amendment 89. All ayes.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to open the public hearing for Amendment 88 to the Zoning Ordinance. All ayes.

It was the recommendation of the zoning board to not approve Amendment 88. The zoning board had denied the amendment unanimously.

Motion Laughery seconded Bench to close the public hearing. All ayes.

Motion Bench seconded Laughery to accept the recommendation of the zoning board to deny Amendment 88. All ayes.

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
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Regular Session

November 4, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Glenda Edwards, Risk Manager, spoke to the board about where the expenses for risk management would be expensed.

The board told her it would be addressed at the time of the next budget amendment.

Guy Walhovd's request for compensatory time to be paid out was approved.

Minutes for 10/28/08 and 10/30/08 were reviewed and approved.

The County Recorder's Report of Fees Collected for the quarter ending 09/30/08 was reviewed and approved.

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Regular Session

November 6, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Motion Laughery seconded Bench to approve the position change for Jim Stringer. All ayes.

Fred Dolezal, a representative of ICAP, gave the board a brief report on ICAP and Guthrie County's experience while a member of ICAP.

Becky Larson with State Street Insurance went over the county's current insurance coverage.

Stephen Patterson told the board he planned to speak to Marty Arganbright about being Guthrie County's representative on the Regional 911 Board.

Dean Downing spoke to the board about the two quotes to replace the single bottom cylinder of the elevator with a double bottom cylinder.

The quote from Schumacher Elevator Company needed additional clarification. The board asked Downing to have a representative scheduled on the agenda so the questions could be answered.

Denise Ballard and Kerry Ertz with Iowa Governmental Health Care Plan reviewed their health insurance proposal with the board.

Mental Health Advocate expenses were reviewed and approved.

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Regular Session

November 12, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt and Larry Laughery.

The votes of the 11/04/08 General Election was canvassed and remained the same. Steve Brannan was present for the canvass.

Randy Clipperton updated the board on the status of a bridge located on a level B road.

Roger Baird gave the board a letter stating he has moved Todd Thorn from the chief deputy position to the position of regular patrol deputy.

Brannan, who serves on the Civil Service Commission, asked Baird if there was a vacancy into which Thorn was moving.

Baird replied that he had budgeted for four deputy positions and that was not changing.

Mark Traetow with Schumacher Elevator Company answered questions for the board regarding his company's proposal for the required changes to the courthouse's elevator.

Minutes for 11/04/08 and 11/06/08 were reviewed and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$205,020.62 were reviewed and approved.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
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Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

November 18, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Jerome Moulds with Bridewell Detention Facility gave the board an overview of the services his facility could offer for housing prisoners.

Brad Halterman reviewed the 2008 Weed Commissioner's Report.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to approve the Weed Commissioner's Report. All ayes.

Minutes for 11/12/08 were read and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Bench to approve the proposal from Schumacher Elevator Company to do the required work on the cylinder of the courthouse's elevator. All ayes.

Family Farm/Agland Tax Credits were reviewed and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to authorize reimbursement of educational expenses of newly elected county officers prior to taking office. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Wirt to approve Glenda Edward's longevity pay raise from \$19.05 to \$19.09. All ayes.

Representatives scheduled from the Iowa Governmental Health Care Plan were unable to attend the board meeting and were rescheduled for Tuesday's meeting.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
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Jerri Christman  
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Board of Supervisors  
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Regular Session

November 25, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Rachel Garst updated the board on Whiterock Conservancy and asked the board if it would support her regional trails project. This project would include the resurfacing of the Panora to Yale bike trail.

The board gave her its support to move forward with her grant application.

Denise Ballard and Kerry Erts with Iowa Governmental Healthcare Plan reported to the board what they projected the county's run-out would be if the county decided to go with their plan.

Minutes for 11/18/08 were read and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$656,716.90 were reviewed and approved.

A construction progress voucher for Herberger Construction was reviewed and approved.

The board was given a listing of magistrate appointing commission members who need to be reappointed by 12/09/08.

Auxiant representatives, Tom O'Brien and Chris Robson, presented the renewal report. Nic Chance was present for the presentation.

Motion Bench seconded Laughery to remain with Auxiant as the third party administrator for the county's self-funded insurance plan. All ayes.

Dave Paulson, interim county engineer, gave the board an update and presented resolution 09-09 for its approval.

Motion Bench seconded Laughery to approve Resolution 09-09: Surface Transportation Program Application for Guthrie County Route N70. Roll Call Vote: Ayes- Caraher, Wirt, Laughery, Bench, and Petersen.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve hiring Bryann Marsh as a home care aide effective 12/01/08 at a rate of \$12.95/hr. All ayes.

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Regular Session

December 2, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Joe Hanner spoke to the board about the Guthrie County Conservation Board's interest in purchasing approximately three and a half acres for a river access on the South Raccoon River.

The board had no objections to the pending purchase for the river access.

Hanner also told the board that he was applying for a Region XII Transportation Grant for a half mile of new bike trail south of Yale and that to complete the application he had located Guthrie County's Plan which is located in the Assessor's office.

Stephen Patterson told the board that Marty Arganbright was willing to serve as a representative on the Regional 911 board.

Motion Bench seconded Wirt to appoint Marty Arganbright as an alternate member of the Regional 911 board. All ayes.

Patterson updated the board on the previous night's Yale Town Hall Meeting on the town's sewer system.

Minutes for 11/25/08 were read and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to approve Resolution 09-10 to appoint members to the Magistrate Appointing Commission. Roll call vote: Ayes-Caraher, Wirt, Laughery, Bench and Petersen.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to appoint Roger Tallman and Courtney Allen to serve as Victory Township Trustees for four year terms. All ayes.

The board stated that there would be no increase in insurance premiums for non-union employees. Premiums for employees under the union contract are predetermined and specified in the contract.

Mary Benton, County Attorney, discussed requirements in the code regarding the civil service commission and her appointment which she does not intend to change. Benton also updated the board on events in her office.

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

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Regular Session

December 4, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery and James Petersen.

Frank Hermsen gave the board an update on New Hope Village. Hermsen stated highlights of the last year included remodeling one of the houses on the campus with plans to do some remodeling on four additional houses over the next four to five years. To help with this and other activities they had a major public fund drive with a goal of \$1.6 million. This goal was surpassed with the drive raising \$1.9 million.

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Regular Session

December 9, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Minutes for 12/02/08 and 12/04/08 were read and approved.

Motion Wirt seconded Laughery to approve an invoice from Guthrie County Tourism for FY 08-09 for \$3,760. All ayes.

Stephen Patterson spoke to the board about outstanding accounts receivable balances at the transfer station.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to retain Hunt, Kain & Associates to perform the audit of the county's financial statements for FYE 2009-2011. All ayes.

Claims in the amount of \$297,060.24 were reviewed and approved.

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Lonnie E. Bench  
Vice Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jeri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

December 11, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen.

Joe Hanner gave the board November Guthrie County Conservation Board Minutes to review.

Motion Wirt seconded Petersen to approve the Lake Panorama National Golf Course's liquor license. All ayes.

Motion Wirt seconded Petersen to approve hiring Justin Kress as a secondary roads employee at a rate of \$13.06/hr. All ayes.

The votes of the 12/09/08 Rural Improvement Zone elections were canvassed and remained the same.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to appoint Bobby Scott to a four year term as a Stuart Township Trustee. All ayes.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
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Regular Session

December 16, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sup>AM</sup>.

Becky Larson from State Street Insurance reviewed the recommendations from the loss control representative. Glenda Edwards, Risk Manager, was also present to discuss how the recommendations would be implemented.

Larson reviewed the county's loss runs for the period 01/01/08 to 11/30/08. Larson also reported that she has gotten most of the information returned that she needed to submit for the renewal of the county's insurance.

The board told her to go ahead and submit the information when she was ready.

Minutes for 12/09/08 and 12/11/08 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve a longevity raise for Kevin Kirtley from \$16.68/hr. to \$16.72/hr. All ayes.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to approve a longevity raise for Jack Lloyd from \$15.67/hr. to \$15.71/hr. All ayes.

Bob Kempf presented a 28E agreement for the provision of hazardous materials response services between Council Bluffs and Guthrie County.

Motion Petersen seconded Bench to approve the 28E agreement for the provision of hazardous materials response. All ayes.

The national incident management system statement of compliance was reviewed and signed.

Dave Paulson gave the board an Entrance Policy to review.

Pat Moylan and Lisa Calvert presented the Compensation Board's recommendations to the board. It was the unanimous recommendation that there be a 3.75% salary increase across the board for the elected officials. It was reported that the average annual growth rate of the CPI index was 3.7% and that the average pay increase for the union for Secondary Roads was 4.0% for FY09-10.

Laughery commented that he felt it was more than generous and might be too high because of the economy.

Motion Bench seconded Laughery to table the vote on the Compensation's Board recommendation until a full board could be present. All ayes.

Bench thanked the Compensation Board for its efforts and its recommendation.

Guthrie County Board of Health Minutes were reviewed.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:15<sup>AM</sup>.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

December 18, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Lonnie Bench and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:02<sub>AM</sub>.

Stephen Patterson spoke to the board about a proposed agreement between an employee and Guthrie County regarding the payment of transfer station accounts receivable (A/R) balances. At employee's request his paycheck will be held if he has accounts past 31 days on the A/R Aging Summary of the Guthrie County Transfer Station.

Motion Bench seconded Laughery to approve the agreement between the employee and Guthrie County. All ayes.

Discussion was held on the Compensation Board recommendations.

Caraher stated he felt the employees did not need a raise this year and that they were lucky to have a job. Giving the employees a raise was not the right thing to do.

Laughery said he would be agreeable to a raise of 2.0%, 2.5% at the most continuing that he knew that the economy is bad but everything costs more for the employees too adding if the county gave its employees nothing it would fall behind and then it would have to be made up later.

Wirt stated his spouse received a 2.0% increase where she works so he would be agreeable to a 2.0% raise.

Petersen said he would agree to a 2.0% raise.

Bench stated employees were lucky to have a job that the state was looking at \$70 million in cuts so he was not in favor of a raise for the employees.

Motion Wirt seconded Laughery to approve a 2.0% across the board raise for all elected officials. Ayes- Wirt, Laughery, and Petersen. Nays- Caraher and Bench.

Motion Bench seconded Petersen to appoint James Estes to a four year term as a Penn Township Trustee. All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50<sub>AM</sub>.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

December 23, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:01<sub>AM</sub>.

Also present from the board meeting was Mike Dickson.

Diane Jackson, CPC, gave the board some background information on the juvenile detention and shelter care system. Mary Benton, county attorney, and Betsy Anderson, a DHS representative, also spoke to the board about those currently in the system and why the county's expenses are so high.

Jackson also told the board her data entry that was due on December 1<sup>st</sup> has been completed as has her annual report. She also discussed state funding which should remain constant for the FY 09-10 based on what was received for FY 08-09.

Minutes for 12/16/08 and 12/18/08 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve the end of probationary period pay increase for Armond Harris from \$15.28/hr. to \$16.28/hr. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Wirt to approve Heidi Kenney's three month wage increase to \$20.03/hr. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to approve Resolution 09-11: Acceptance of Improvements to Talon Avenue. Roll call vote: Ayes-Caraher, Wirt, Laughery, and Petersen. Absent-Bench.

Claims in the amount of \$406,809.84 were reviewed and approved.

It was requested that the Entrance Policy and the funding for the county libraries be put on the agenda for Tuesday.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:42<sub>AM</sub>.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

December 30, 2008

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:08<sup>AM</sup>.

Also present from the board meeting was Mike Dickson.

There was discussion held on the secondary roads entrance policy.

Laughery had mixed emotions but stated it would save money for the road system.

Caraher said he had no problem with the policy that it would save the county according to Dave Paulson, acting county engineer, \$100,000 a year.

Wirt would like to leave the policy the way it is.

Petersen said he would hate to make the change but felt they might have to bite the bullet and make the change since other things need to be done besides putting in driveways.

Motion Laughery seconded Wirt to accept the lowest bid from Christensen Bros., Inc for project BROS-CO39(50)--8J-39, Bailey's Bridge. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to award the contract and approve the bonding for project BROS-CO39(50)--8J-39 to Christensen Bros., Inc. All ayes.

Paulson discussed the candidates he was interviewing for the assistant engineer position.

Discussion then returned to the entrance policy. Paulson told the board that conservatively it should save the county \$100,000 a year. Under the policy the county would be the authorizing agent issuing the permits and inspecting the driveways once they were completed. The county would continue to sell tubes. In Carroll County to build a typical driveway it can range from \$700 to \$1,000 if the county puts it in and bills for it.

Wirt wanted to know if someone put in a driveway and it was not done correctly and there was an accident who would be liable.

Motion Laughery seconded Wirt to table the vote on the entrance policy until there is a full board on January 2, 2009. All ayes.

Minutes for 12/23/08 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Wirt seconded Petersen to table the vote on the funding for the county libraries until there is a full board on January 2, 2009. All ayes.

Stephen Patterson gave the board an update on the monitoring wells at the landfill. Additional testing is being required that will cost \$1,200 for each well.

Meeting adjourned at 10:14<sup>AM</sup>.

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Jerome F. Caraher  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

January 2, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:03<sup>AM</sup>.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to appoint Wirt as Chairman for 2009. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to appoint Laughery as Vice Chairman for 2009. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to set the following holidays to be observed by the county employees. All ayes.

Memorial Day: Monday, May 25, 2009

Independence Day: Friday, July 3, 2009

Labor Day: Monday, September 7, 2009

Veterans Day: Wednesday, November 11, 2009

Thanksgiving Day and the Day After: Thursday and Friday, November 26-27, 2009

Christmas Eve and Christmas: Thursday and Friday, December 24-25, 2009

New Year Day: Friday, January 1, 2010

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to approve Resolution 09-12: Resolution as in accordance with the provision set out in Section 6B.4 of the Code of Iowa the Board of Supervisors shall annually appoint not less than twenty-eight residents of the county and the names of such persons shall be placed on a list and they shall be eligible to serve as members of a compensation commission in Eminent Domain proceedings, the names of residents appointed are as shown below. Roll call Vote: Ayes-Caraher, Wirt, Laughery, Dickson, and Petersen.

Rural Property Owners

Scott McClellan – Bayard  
Marvin Finnegan – Guthrie Center  
Bob Ruple – Casey  
Dean Whitehead – Panorama  
Robert Dickson – Menlo  
Bob Brummer – Guthrie Center  
Keith Wirt – Panorama

City Property Owners

Dave Larsen – Stuart  
Myrna Whetstone – Casey  
John Phillips – Guthrie Center  
Ernest Little – Menlo  
Larry Jacobson – Menlo  
Terry Kemble – Panorama  
Jim Steburg – Yale  
Scott Frederickson – Yale  
Jim Beck – Guthrie Center  
Sam Steensen – Guthrie Center  
Lyle Hansen-Guthrie Center

Licensed Real Estate Broker

Douglas Hemphill – Yale  
Del Wedemeyer – Guthrie Center  
Larry Schwenk – Coon Rapids  
Pat Moylan – Panorama  
Dave Ryan – Panorama  
Steve Kroeger-Menlo  
Regina Lloyd – Guthrie Center

Knowledge of Property Value by Virtue of Occupation

Mike Carey – Panorama  
Jerry Hagan – Bayard  
James Belden – Stuart  
Jim Laughery – Guthrie Center  
Gladys Willey – Yale  
Roger Underwood – Guthrie Center  
Barry Monaghan – Panorama  
Dennis Flanery – Guthrie Center

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to approve Resolution 09-13: Resolution designating, authorizing and empowering the Acting County Engineer to execute the certification of completion of work and final acceptance in accordance with plans and specifications in connection with all farm to market construction projects. Roll call vote: Ayes-Caraher, Wirt, Laughery, Dickson, and Petersen.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve Resolution 09-14: Resolution to adopt a construction evaluation resolution relating to the construction of confinement feeding operation structures. Roll call vote: Ayes-Caraher, Wirt, Laughery, Dickson, and Petersen.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to appoint Jerome Caraher and Jerri Christman to Region XII Council of Governments. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to appoint the Guthrie Center Times and The News Gazette as the official newspaper for Guthrie County per Iowa Code 349. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to appoint Brad Halterman and Alan Warner to the Weed Commission. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to appoint James Petersen to New Opportunities. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to appoint Mike Dickson the South Central Youth and Family Center Commission and to appoint Jerome Caraher as an alternate. All ayes.

Motion Dickson seconded Laughery to appoint Linda Colby as the Juvenile Probation Officer. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to appoint Kevin Wirt to the Mental Health Center Clarinda and Cherokee with Larry Laughery as the alternate. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to appoint Mike Dickson, Jerome Caraher, and Kevin Wirt to the Guthrie County Planning Board and to serve on the Guthrie County Public Safety Commission. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to appoint Kevin Wirt to the Midwest Partnership Board. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to appoint Jason White to the Enterprise Zone Board. All ayes.

Motion Dickson seconded Laughery to appoint Kristine Jorgensen to the Western Iowa Tourism Council. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to appoint Dr. Steve Bascom, Dr. David Ahrens, and Dr. Kimberly Neuharth as Guthrie County Medical Examiners. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Dickson to appoint James Petersen over the EMS Management Services/Bioterrorism. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to appoint Marty Arganbright to the South Central Regional E911 Board. All ayes.

Motion Dickson seconded Laughery to appoint Jerome Caraher to the ISTEA Board. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to appoint Jerome Caraher to the Decategorization Governance Board. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to appoint Kevin Wirt and Janet Oberholtz to the West Central Mental Health Board. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to appoint Larry Laughery and Mary Jane Venteicher to the Board of Health. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to appoint Mary Benton, County Attorney, to the Involuntary Hospitalization Board. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to appoint Jim Arganbright to a five year term for the Zoning Commission. All ayes.



Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to appoint Everett Grasty for a five year term for the Zoning Board of Adjustment. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to appoint Jeff Bump to the Conservation Board. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to appoint Bob Hollwager to a four year term to the Regional Airport Authority Board. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to appoint James Petersen to the M&M, R, C&D Board. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to appoint all the Board of Supervisors over the land at the county farm, courthouse grounds, sanitary landfill and shop for 2009. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to allow the County Auditor to pay fixed charges, employee prescription and health insurance prior to the allowance by the board for 2009. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and the County Auditor to execute leases and deeds on behalf of Guthrie County for 2009. All ayes.

Motion Dickson seconded Laughery to approve the utilities as certified by the Iowa Department of Revenue and to authorize County Auditor to spread them to the appropriate taxing districts. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to allow the County Auditor to purchase supplies for the courthouse. All ayes.

Secondary roads' new entrance policy was discussed.

Caraher said he was fine with it.

Petersen said that we need more money for bridges thou he thought it may not be a popular decision.

Laughery said he was okay with the policy adding that roads and bridges are more important.

Dickson felt it should not be changed.

Wirt agreed with Dickson that it should not be changed.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to approve the new secondary roads' new entrance policy. Ayes-Caraher, Laughery and Petersen. Nays-Wirt and Dickson. Motion carries.

The board felt the 4.2% increase requested by the Guthrie County Libraries Association was too much but that 2.0% would be an agreeable increase.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to approve a 2.0% raise in funding for the County Libraries from \$105,763 to \$107,878 for FY09-10. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve setting the public hearing for the FY08-09 Budget Amendment for January 20, 2009 at 9<sup>AM</sup> in the Board of Supervisor's Room.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30<sup>AM</sup>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

January 6, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery and Mike Dickson. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to approve the plans for project FM-CO39(36)--55-39, a box culvert on 180<sup>th</sup> Street. All ayes.

Dave Paulson told the board that the county still needs to buy some right-of-way before the project can be started.

Paulson discussed the assistant engineer position with the board telling them he had an excellent candidate and that he would like to offer him \$22.50/hr. starting pay increasing the salary to \$23.00/hr. as of 07/01/09.

The board gave him permission to make the offer at the amounts stated.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to approve the appointment of Jeremy Bennett as Chief Deputy with his salary increasing to 85% of the sheriff's salary effective 01/01/09. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Dickson to approve reducing Deputy Todd Thorn's salary to 83% of the sheriff's salary effective 01/01/09. All ayes.

Minutes for 12/30/08 and 01/02/09 were reviewed and approved.

Marcia Kindred reviewed the Treasurer's FY09-10 budget with the board for its approval.

The board reviewed and approved the budgets for General Relief and Veteran Affairs for FY09-10.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:09<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

January 8, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery and Mike Dickson. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Rick Hunsaker and Jim Burns from Region XII Council of Governments (COG) were present. Burns presented a transit report. Hunsaker made Region XII COG's FY09-10 budget request of \$8,287.69 for membership fees. Transit services for Guthrie County for FY09-10 were estimated to be \$6,286.05. It was also requested that the county participate in the revolving loan fund by contributing \$25,000.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to approve the FY 09-10 funding for FY09-10 for membership fees of \$8,287.69 and the estimated \$6,286.05 for transit services. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to table the vote on the revolving loan fund until there is a full board present to vote. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to appoint Alex Olson as the alternate to the South Central Iowa Regional E911 Board. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Dickson to approve J. Robert Hopson, Inc. to perform the GASB45 for FY09-10. All ayes.

Mental health advocate expenses were reviewed and approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:40<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

January 13, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:02<sub>AM</sub>.

Diane Jackson, CPC, told the board she was expecting the county would receive its state dollars in February and that the county would want to levy at 100% for FY09-10.

Jackson also told the board that in April a new strategic plan would be due and asked the board if it had any goals that it would like included.

Jackson presented Country View Estates requested rate increases for FY09-10. It was requested that the daily rate increase from \$37.00 to \$40.00, the nonqualified rate increase from \$67.00 to \$70.00 and the work services rate remain at \$16.00.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve FY09-10 rates for County View Estates of a daily rate of \$39.00, a nonqualified rate of \$70.00 and the work services rate of \$16.00. All ayes.

Jackson then went over her FY09-10 budget for approval.

Janell Stringham gave the board a Department of Public Health state grant amendment for project FY2009 PH Services Contract for approval. The amendment decreased the home care aide allocation by \$695.00

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to approve the state grant amendment. All ayes.

Stringham reviewed the public health statistical report for the first six months of FY08-09.

Minutes were reviewed and approved for 01/06/09 and 01/08/09.

Claims in the amount of \$339,666.87 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to approve Resolution 09-15: interfund operating transfer to transfer \$8,077.68 from the General Basic Fund and \$105,432.54 from Rural Services Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, Laughery, Dickson, and Petersen.

Motion Dickson seconded Caraher to approve hiring Jim Jordan as the new assistant engineer at a starting salary of \$22.50/hr. All ayes.

The board reviewed and approved the recorder's budget for FY09-10. The board was also given secondary roads' budget to review and requested that Dave Paulson come in and go over it.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to table the vote on the contribution to Region XII revolving load fund. All ayes.

Jerri Christman updated the board on recent correspondence from Chad Schreck, regional planner for Region XII related to a grant for the Guthrie County Agricultural Society.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:20<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

January 15, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

FY09-10 budgets were presented for review and approval by Joe Hanner and Brad Halterman.

Hanner also gave the board December Guthrie County Conservation Board Minutes to review.

Becky Larson with State Street Insurance presented the county's insurance renewal.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to approve the insurance renewal as presented. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to appoint Darci Robson as the General Relief Director for Guthrie County for 2009. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to appoint Laughery to the Local Emergency Planning Committee. All ayes.

The board discussed charging an administrative fee for handling the insurance for Country View Estates and the Extension Office and decided against it.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve a three month salary increase for Emily Wells to \$20.03/hr. All ayes.

Jerri Christman, County Auditor, presented FY09-10 budgets for review and approval.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:40<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

January 20, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sup>AM</sup>.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to open the public hearing for the FY08-09 Budget Amendment. All ayes.

Motion Dickson seconded Petersen to close the public hearing for the FY08-09 Budget Amendment. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve Resolution 09-16: resolution for the adoption of the budget amendment for FY08-09 per IA Code 331.435. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Petersen, and Dickson. Absent-Caraher and Laughery.

Motion Dickson seconded Petersen to approve Resolution 09-17: appropriation resolution for FY08-09. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Petersen, and Dickson. Absent-Caraher and Laughery.

Minutes for 01/13/09 and 01/15/09 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve Brenda Campbell's salary increase to \$32,083 annually. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to table FY09-10 budget review and approval until 01/22/09. All ayes.

Dave Paulson introduced Jim Jordan, the new assistant engineer, to the board. Federal stimulus funding for highways and bridges was discussed. Paulson will return to discuss the Secondary Roads budget and the Yale pavement plans on 01/22/09 when there will be a full board present.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Patti McAndrews  
Guthrie County Deputy Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

January 22, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:05<sup>AM</sup>.

Jason White from Midwest Partnership gave the board a quarterly update. Also present were Midwest Partnership board members Eric Tiernan, John Rutledge, Jack Smith, Dave Ryan, and Mike Carey. White told the board his top priority for 2009 is to follow-up with existing businesses.

Scott Thomas from South Central Youth and Family Services was present. Also present were Sharon Schafer, Betsy Andersen, Scott Van Dorn, and Linda Colby. Thomas was requesting funding/membership for FY09-10 at the same amount as FY08-09.

The board asked why South Central services were not being used instead of other facilities which relates to the budget amendment approved on 01/20/09.

Van Dorn, with DHS case management, was not aware of Guthrie County's relationship with South Central and stated sometimes it is not convenient because of mileage or needs of the kids.

Betsy Anderson also said placement was dependent on the needs of the kids and that she too was not aware of the county's relationship with South Central.

Motion Dickson seconded Caraher to approve first using South Central Youth and Family Services if it meets the criteria needed before making placements in other facilities. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to appoint Mike Dickson as trustee for Mainstay Investments to replace Lonnie Bench. All ayes.

Marty Arganbright spoke to the board about the purchase of semi-automatic rifles.

The supervisors agreed that the department has a need for the rifles and told Arganbright to add them to his FY09-10 budget. The rifles would be the property of Guthrie County.

Dave Paulson informed the board that some FEMA had been received with more expected. Also FEMA notified him that it would pay for all of the Thompson Bridge.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to approve the Yale pavement plans, project number STP-S-CO39 (51--5E-39). All ayes.

Paulson told the board Victory Bridge has an old three ton truss that needs to be replaced. It can be done with federal bridge money.

The board gave him permission to move forward with the Victory Bridge project.

Bob Kempf, EMS, presented his FY09-10 budget for review and approval.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to approve the EMS budget for publication. All ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 <sup>PM</sup>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Patti McAndrews  
Guthrie County Deputy Auditor



Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

January 27, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:02<sub>AM</sub>.

Stephen Patterson reviewed the E911, Transfer Station, and Sanitarian FY09-10 budgets for approval.

Marcia Kindred spoke to the board about needing six new computers in her office. Two would be paid for by the state and four would be the responsibility of the county. The Treasurer's office current computers are not compatible with the upgraded driver's license and motor vehicle programs. The state is allowing the county to purchase the four computers it is responsible for through the state's purchasing program but Kindred had to let the state know by this afternoon if she wanted to participate.

The board gave her its approval to purchase four computers under the state contract.

Minutes for 01/20/09 and 01/22/09 were reviewed and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$474,481.30 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve IDPH County Substance Abuse Prevention Services contract amendment. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to appoint Curtis Thornberry to the Region XII Policy Council. All ayes.

Chad Schreck from Region XII has asked that Guthrie County de-obligate the grant funds from the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (IHSEMD) that were to be used to move the community building at the Guthrie County Fairgrounds. It has been determined that the building itself has too much damage and would require too many repairs that were not part of the original application.

Motion Dickson seconded Caraher to de-obligate the grant funds awarded by the IHSEMD. All ayes.

The board gave its approval to enter all FY09-10 budgets except for Public Health and the Sheriff's Office which will be presented on Thursday. Also it was requested that Jason White submit to the board the budgets for Midwest Partnership and Western Iowa Advantage for its review.

The Report of Veteran Affairs Commission, County Recorder's Report of Fees Collected and County Auditor's Report of Fees Collected for the quarter ending 12/31/08 were reviewed and approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:36<sub>AM</sub>.

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Larry Laughery  
Vice Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

January 29, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:02<sub>AM</sub>.

Marty Arganbright and Leora Laughery presented the Sheriff's FY09-10 budget for approval. In-car computers were discussed and it was decided to phase them into the department with two being budgeted for FY09-10.

Arganbright also gave the board a department update and the Sheriff's Quarterly Report for the quarter ending 12/31/08 was reviewed and approved.

Janell Stringham reviewed Public Health's FY09-10 Budget for approval.

It was requested that Jason White come in and go over the Midwest Partnership and the Western Iowa Advantage budgets.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30<sub>AM</sub>.

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Larry Laughery  
Vice Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

February 3, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:02<sub>AM</sub>.

Jason White and Mike Carey were present representing Midwest Partnership. Carey went over the Midwest Partnership budget. White went over Western Iowa Advantage's (WIAD) budget.

Dickson asked what the benefit was to the county in participating in WIAD.

White told the board that the state is promoting a regionalism approach to economic development and it has financially supported it in the past but that funding may be in question in the future so that is why a fund balance is being built. Also White said that there are expenses not budgeted in the WIAD budget for FY10 and FY11.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve a 2% increase in dues paid to Midwestern Partnership and the amount paid to WIAD would remain the same at \$4,913. Ayes-Wirt, Laughery, and Petersen. Nays-Dickson.

Minutes for 01/27/09 and 01/29/09 were reviewed and approved.

Discussion was held on the FY09-10 budget.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:40<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

February 5, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sup>AM</sup>.

The board gave permission to have Auxiant print the updated plan document for the county's health insurance.

Dickson made a motion to cut the expenses across the board by 5%. There was no second. The motion died with no second.

The board discussed the FY09-10 budget deciding to reduce the levy rate for rural basic services to 1.0000 and leave the rates for General Basic and General Supplemental at the same rates as last year.

Mary Benton, County Attorney, updated the board on issues effecting her department.

C.W. Thomas updated the board on the community building located at the Guthrie County Fairgrounds and requested a letter of support from the board.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:15<sup>AM</sup>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

February 10, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:05<sub>AM</sub>.

Minutes for 02/03/09 and 02/05/09 were reviewed and approved.

Glenda Edwards spoke to the board about the proposals from consultants for the safety and training program. The risk management committee recommended Stroschal's as its first choice and Holmes-Murphy as its second choice.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to approve Stroschal's as the consultants for the safety and training program which would include the needs assessment, safety programs, noise analysis, and hazard assessment with other modules being considered at a future date if necessary. All ayes.

Discussions were held on the budget. It was suggested that the rural basic levy be set at 1.2500.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to table the setting of the Public Hearing for FY09-10 budget until a full board is present. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve the Guthrie County Financial Reporting Policy. All ayes.

Motion Dickson seconded Caraher to approve Rounds & Associates to inspect the county's underground storage tank. All ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:36<sub>AM</sub>.

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Larry Laughery  
Vice Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jeri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

February 12, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Joe Hanner gave the board Guthrie County Conservation Board minutes from January 2009 to review.

Hanner told the board he was still waiting to see what the stimulus package would be that was passed by the federal government and how it would affect Guthrie County.

Claims in the amount of \$275,017.94 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to approve Krysty Melton moving from a part-time dispatcher to a full-time dispatcher at an hourly rate of 14.00/hr. All ayes.

The board discussed the levy rates for FY09-10 and set the levy rate for rural services at 1.2500 a decrease from FY08-09 and left the other rates at the same levels as FY08-09.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to set the Budget Hearing for the FY09-10 Budget for March 3, 2009 at 9<sub>AM</sub> in the Public Meeting Room.

Matt Sorensen and John Teale gave a demonstration of Guthrie County's GIS website.

Sara Gillen presented the DHS Targeted Case Management County contract for approval. There were no significant changes to the contract.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to approve the DHS Targeted Case Management contract as presented. All ayes.

Diane Jackson requested the board approve an amendment to the 28E Agreement for CPC shared services.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve the amendment to the 28E Agreement for CPC shared services. All ayes.

Jackson then went over her mental health services management plan.

Darcy Robson told the board of an unusual request for assistance with the heating of the individual's home in the form of loads of wood.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:46<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

February 17, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery and Mike Dickson. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Janell Stringham gave the board a public health statistical report ending January 2009 to review.

Stringham told the board she had received the application for state health department funds and said she planned to request funds for nursing visits and home care aide for the county after evaluating the community health needs and program priorities.

The board agreed there were no greater areas of need and to make no changes in the areas included in the application.

Stringham informed the board of a disaster assistance social services block grant, routed comments to the board from satisfaction questionnaires and updated the board on her communications with Medicaid.

Minutes for 02/10/09 and 02/12/09 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to approve Resolution 09-18 to approve the agreement for and amendment to the CPC 28E agreement. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, Laughery and Dickson. Absent-Petersen.

Guthrie County Board of Health minutes from January 2009 were given to the board.

Mental health advocate expenses were reviewed and approved.

Dave Paulson and Jim Jordan gave the board the final construction plans for the Thompson 53 Bridge for its review and approval.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to approve the final construction plans for the Thompson 53 Bridge. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to set the letting date for the Thompson 53 Bridge for 03/10/09 at 9:30<sub>AM</sub>. All ayes.

Compensation time was discussed.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:01<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

February 19, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery and Mike Dickson. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Randy Clipperton spoke to the board about having the survey for the Morrisburg cemetery completed.

The board agreed with Clipperton that it needed to be finished.

Clipperton discussed snow removal on P28 and White Pole Road with the board.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to approve Resolution 09-19: to add a locally and FM project L-TH53--73-39, Thompson 53 Bridge, to the accomplishment year of the 2009 five year road program. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, Laughery, and Dickson. Absent-Petersen.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:20<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
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Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

February 24, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Minutes for 02/17/09 and 02/19/09 were reviewed and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$431,463.35 were reviewed and approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

February 26, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

The board attended a driver's safety class presented by Marty Arganbright.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to approve hiring Darci Fuller as a part-time dispatcher at the rate of \$13.00/hr. All ayes.

Arganbright told the board he was able to buy reconditioned car computers at half the price of new ones, he had deputies attending classes on various topics, the lowest bid for the storage building was from Wick, a reconditioned copier was just purchased for the Sheriff's Department, and he had gotten a bid from Macke Ford on an Explorer which is included in the FY09-10 budget.

Arganbright also gave the board a listing of 911 calls for the month of February.

Ken Strosahl, Strosahl's Consulting Service, Inc., reported to the board on his safety and health audit of the county's facilities. Strosahl will have a written report prepared in approximately a week.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to approve the liquor license for Coulter Panorama Marine. All ayes.

Claims in the amount of \$19,961.49 were reviewed and approved by the board.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:16<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jeri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

March 3, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to open the Public Hearing for the FY09-10 Budget at 9:03<sub>AM</sub>. All ayes.

Wirt introduced the department heads in attendance for the budget hearing Dave Paulson, Diane Jackson, Marty Arganbright, Jacki Sloss, Marcia Kindred and Jerri Christman. Thirteen members of the public were also present for the public hearing.

Christman presented the FY09-10 budget.

Questions were asked regarding secondary roads and the mental health budgets. Also there were questions about the board's future compensation.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to close the public hearing at 10:12<sub>AM</sub>. All ayes.

It was requested that the board vote on the budget.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve the FY09-10 Guthrie County Budget as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Petersen, Laughery and Wirt. Nays-Caraher and Dickson. Motion carries.

Steve Patterson presented resolution 09-20 which provides for the prepayment of the \$350,000 General Obligation E911 Notes.

Motion Laughery seconded Dickson to approve resolution 09-20. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, Laughery, Dickson and Petersen.

Patterson spoke to the board about Senate File 230 which relates to rules applicable to sanitary disposal projects and asked if they would send a letter supporting the legislation to Senator Nancy Boettger.

The board agreed to sign the letter of support.

Minutes for 02/24/09 and 02/26/09 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve Resolution 09-21: resolution for the adoption of budget and certification of taxes for FY09-10. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Laughery, and Petersen. Nays-Caraher and Dickson.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to approve Resolution 09-22: appropriations resolution for FY09-10 budget. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Laughery, and Petersen. Nays-Caraher and Dickson. Motion carries.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

March 10, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Stephen Patterson presented a 28E Agreement that would be between Guthrie County and the City of Yale for the county to act as the responsible management entity to regulate the private sewage disposal systems within the city limits of Yale. Similar agreements have been entered to provide the same services with Bagley and Jamaica.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to approve the 28E Agreement between Guthrie County and the City of Yale. All ayes.

Patterson gave the board an update on Senate File 230.

The bids for the bridge letting for project L-TH-53--73-39 were opened by Dave Paulson and Jim Jordan.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to open the public hearing for the mental health strategic plan at 10:00<sub>AM</sub>. All ayes.

Diane Jackson, CPC, reviewed the strategic plan: mental health services management plan.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to close the public hearing for the mental health strategic plan at 10:11<sub>AM</sub>.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve the mental health strategic plan as presented. All ayes.

Minutes for 03/03/09 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to approve Don Slaybaugh's longevity raise of four cents. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to approve the IDPH county substance abuse prevention services request for Bid for FY10. All ayes.

Dr. David Ahrens and Marshall Burgess spoke to the board about the airport farmland.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to accept the lowest bid for project L-TH-53--73-39 of \$348,411.10 from Cunningham-Reis Company. All ayes.

The county's family sick leave policy was discussed. It was requested that all department heads be invited to Thursday's board meeting to continue the discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

March 12, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Joe Hanner gave the board Guthrie County Conservation Board minutes from February 2009 to review.

Hanner told the board they are moving ahead with the playground project at Nations Bridge Park and he reviewed the budget amendment he would be making for FY08-09.

Hanner informed the board that it had been approved through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 for Conservation to receive \$945,400 for the resurfacing of the bike trail from Panora to Yale.

There was a discussion of the county's sick leave policy in particular following the policy as it relates to the number of days an employee may use accrued sick leave for an immediate family member.

The board asked all department heads to follow the policy as it was stated so that it was fair to all employees.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve the agreements for the provision of hazardous materials response services between Panora and Guthrie County and Jamaica and Guthrie County. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to approve the IDHS Community Mental Health Center Affiliation with West Central Mental Health and the contract for services with West Central Mental Health Center for FY09-10. All ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:25<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jeri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

March 17, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Rich Michaelson spoke to the board about a well on property he purchased in Monteith in October 2008. This property was previously discussed at the 09/23/08 board meeting. Michaelson was requesting that he not be required to plug the well on the property and instead make it into a working well. The item is on the Environmental Health agenda for the Guthrie County Board of Health March meeting.

Laughery said he would convey Michaelson's request to the Board of Health.

Claims in the amount of \$361,559.29 were reviewed and approved by the board.

Minutes for 03/10/09 and 03/12/09 were reviewed and approved.

The board approved Guy Walhovd's request for payment of comp. time hours.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve the agreements for the provision of hazardous materials response services between Stuart and Guthrie County and also between Guthrie Center and Guthrie County.

Mental health advocate expenses were reviewed and approved.

Guthrie County Board of Health minutes for February 2009 were reviewed.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:22<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
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Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

March 19, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

The board requested that a claim which it considered to be an emergency be paid in the amount of \$27,516.00.

The board was given the preliminary draft of the 06/30/08 audited financial statements and associated MD&A to review with any changes to be given to the auditor on 03/24/09.

There was a discussion of the care of veterans' graves.

Kendall Kipp spoke to the board about getting some tiling done on the farm ground he leases from the county. Kipp gave the board an estimate of the total expense.

The board requested he get something in writing with the tiling divided across four to five years.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:09<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

March 24, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Mary Benton spoke to the board about changing the contract with West Law. The proposed changes would save the county over \$6,000 and would be for a three year period with the first year at a rate of \$4,320.

The board gave Benton permission to make the proposed changes and to accept the contract.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to approve the contract with Buttler Construction to haul gravel for the county. All ayes.

Dave Paulson opened bids for FY09-10 grounds and roadside mowing for secondary roads.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to accept the lowest bids for the grounds and roadside mowing. All ayes.

Minutes for 03/17/09 and 03/19/09 were reviewed and approved.

Kendall Kipp brought in the information on the tiling that the board had requested.

Dennis Hoover and Alfred Wessling, Jr. representing the Veteran's Commission and Veteran's Affairs Director Darci Robson spoke to the board about care of veterans' graves.

Stephen Patterson told the board about a fire at the transfer station.

Dean Downing spoke to the board about replacing the vault door in the treasurer's office since the lock is broken.

The board gave Downing permission to replace the door.

The board had no changes to the preliminary financials or the MD&A for FY07-08.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:15<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jeri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor



Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

March 26, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Marty Arganbright gave the board a listing of the 911 calls for the month of March, he told the board he currently has one reserve officer but was looking into starting up a reserve program and that the ground was leveled where the storage building is to be built and the building should be completed by the middle of May.

Arganbright also asked the board's opinion on purchasing a pickup as a patrol vehicle.

The board said if that type of vehicle would be of use that it didn't have a problem with him looking into it further.

Dean Downing presented three bids to replace the coil in the air conditioning unit.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to accept the lowest bid for the coil. All ayes.

Downing told the board he felt the cooling system needed to be flushed. The board agreed with this suggestion.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to table Resolution 09-23: resolution to impose load limits on Guthrie County Bridges. All ayes.

Barry Stetzel spoke to the board about the possibility of a bio-ammonia plant being built near Menlo. Stetzel told the board that no zoning request have been completed yet.

The board asked to be updated when Stetzel had additional information.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

March 31, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Janell Stringham gave the board Public Health's statistical report for the period ending February 2009 to review.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to approve the inventory of wellness initiatives relating to the IDPH grant. All ayes.

Minutes for 03/24/09 and 03/26/09 were reviewed and approved.

Auxiant has no issues with the county charging the employee for the cost of a single policy for those dependents who become eligible for coverage under House File 2539. Auxiant is to be providing the county with a list of those employees the change would affect.

Claims in the amount of \$743,188.85 were reviewed and approved by the board.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to accept the FYE 06/30/08 audit report from Hunt, Kain and Associates. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to approve resolution 09-23: to impose load limits on Guthrie County bridges. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, Laughery, Dickson, and Petersen.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to approve the contract with Kuster Equipment for the mowing of the south area for \$40.00 per unit. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to approve the contract with Steve Eischeid for mowing the north area for \$45.00 per unit. All ayes.

The board approved amending the minutes from 10/30/08 to include the completion date of 10/01/09 for zoning amendment 89.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jeri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

April 2, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Jason White from Midwest Partnership introduced Don Frazer the CFO of SynGest which is the company proposing to build a bio-ammonia plant near Menlo. Frazer presented a power point presentation on SynGest.

Laura Imerman, Guthrie Center city clerk, spoke to the board about her request for the county to pay for the maintenance of veterans' graves in Union Cemetery.

Wirt told her the board had spoken to the Veteran's Commission and they were not in favor of paying the city any money unless perpetual care was not originally part of the price of the lot.

Petersen felt it was not right putting an additional fee on veterans' graves and not others.

The board told Imerman that it would get back to her with its decision.

Randy Clipperton requested the board embargo Maple Avenue between 200<sup>th</sup> and Luna Avenue assigning a ten ton limit on this part of road.

The board approved the request to embargo Maple Avenue as stated.

Caraher asked Clipperton about the summer clothing dress code for the secondary roads department.

Clipperton told the board that the issue would be addressed by the risk management committee.

Motion Laughery seconded Wirt to approve the end of probation salary increase for Kris Arrasmith. Ayes-Laughery and Wirt. Nays- Caraher and Dickson. Petersen absent.

Motion Laughery seconded Dickson to table Kris Arrasmith's end of probation salary increase until there is a full board present. Ayes-Wirt, Laughery, and Dickson. Nays-Caraher. Petersen absent.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to approve the mowing contract with Randy Clipperton for mowing area two for a unit cost of \$50.00. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to approve the mowing contract with Mike Deeth for mowing area one for a unit cost of \$275.00. All ayes.

Motion Dickson seconded Laughery to approve the mowing contract with Sloss Lawn Care for mowing area three for a unit cost of \$136.14. All ayes.

The board reviewed and approved a county grant program for veterans application for FY09.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:53<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

April 7, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Minutes for 03/31/09 and 04/02/09 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to approve the end of probation salary increase for Kris Arrasmith from an annual salary of \$30,759 to an annual salary of \$35,886. Ayes-Wirt, Laughery, and Petersen. Nays- Caraher and Dickson. Motion carries.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to approve setting a public hearing on April 21, 2009 to vacate a section of the road described as: a portion of 140<sup>th</sup> Street from a point beginning at the NE corner of Section 27; Range 33-West; Township 81-North; Guthrie County, Iowa (Orange Township); thence Weston Section line 26 rods to Brushy Creek; thence along the North side of Brushy Creek 21 rods to a point where said Creek crosses the section line; thence along said Section line 11 rods to Brushy Creek; thence across said creek; thence West on the North Line of said Section to the NW Corner of said Section 27; Range 33-West; Township 81-North (Orange Township). Road originally established as Pingrey Consent. All ayes.

Dave Paulson updated the board on current and pending projects.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:58<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

April 9, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Joe Hanner gave the board March 2009 Guthrie County Conservation Board minutes to review.

Hanner told the board that Rachel Garst had attended the last conservation board meeting and suggested the conservation board and the supervisors should meet to discuss related issues.

Hanner asked the board if it had come to a decision regarding the previous funding committed for the Raccoon River Valley CAT grant since Guthrie County Conservation has since been awarded \$945,400 in federal stimulus funds to rehabilitate the Panora to Yale portion of the Raccoon River Valley trail.

The board told Hanner they would discuss it and get back to him.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to approve Resolution 09-24: resolution for weed control in the county. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, Laughery, Dickson and Petersen.

Dave Paulson and Jim Jordan reviewed the five year secondary roads construction program and budget amendments with the board.

Wirt stated he didn't like seeing 180<sup>th</sup> Street moved back in the five year plan.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to approve the five year secondary roads construction program and budget amendments. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to approve setting the public hearing for the FY08-09 budget amendment for April 28, 2009 at 9<sub>AM</sub>. All ayes.

The County Auditor's report of fees collected for the quarter ending 03/31/09 was reviewed and approved.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve the liquor license for The Port. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to approve Resolution 09-25: interfund operating transfer to transfer \$31,018.24 from the General Basic Fund and \$430,305.53 from Rural Services Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, Laughery, Dickson, and Petersen.

The board discussed the funding for the Raccoon River Valley CAT grant.

The board asked that it be put on Tuesday's agenda to rescind Resolution 08-19: the resolution in support of the Raccoon River Valley trail extension and renovation with a \$50,000 monetary and a \$50,000 in-kind/engineering services commitment.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:21<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

April 14, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Minutes for 04/07/09 and 04/09/09 were reviewed and approved.

The board spoke to Darci Robson, General Relief Director, about a bill that had been submitted for payment.

Claims in the amount of \$253,898.03 were reviewed and approved by the board.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to rescind Resolution 08-19: the resolution was in support of the Raccoon River Valley trail extension and renovation with a \$50,000 monetary and \$50,000 in-kind/engineering services commitment. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to pledge support to the Raccoon River Valley trail extension and renovation in the amount of a \$10,000 monetary pledge over a two year period and \$10,000 in in-kind/engineering services. Ayes: Wirt, Caraher, Laughery, and Petersen. Nay-Dickson.

Guthrie County Board of Health meeting minutes for 03/18/09 were reviewed by the board.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:20<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

April 16, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

John Finnegan showed the supervisors maps that are available off the GIS system and discussed fees for usernames and passwords for its use. Finnegan will give the board a demonstration on 04/23/09 with a public demonstration to follow later in the month.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to approve a six month salary increase for Heidi Kenney to \$20.18/hr. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve a six month salary increase for Emily Wells to \$20.18/hr. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to appoint authorized representatives for the Iowa Mutual Aid Compact (IMAC) as primary Petersen, secondary Laughery and tertiary Jerri Christman and IMAC designated contacts as Robert Kempf as primary, Christman as secondary, and Peterson as tertiary. All ayes.

Mental health advocate's claim was reviewed and approved.

Jim Jordon brought the Thompson 53 bridge contract to the board for signature.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Patti McAndrews  
Guthrie County Deputy Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

April 21, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

The board interviewed Joshua Sebern, P.E. for the position of Guthrie County Engineer.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to open the public hearing to vacate a portion of 140<sup>th</sup> Street in Orange Township at 9:30<sub>AM</sub>. All ayes.

Jim Jordan reviewed the request to vacate the road with the board. Jordon told the board that he had received no calls or correspondence against vacating the road. Ron King was present for the public hearing.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to close the public hearing at 9:34<sub>AM</sub>. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to approve Resolution 09-26: resolution to vacate a portion of 140<sup>th</sup> Street in Orange Township. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, Laughery, Dickson, and Petersen.

The interview with Sebern continued.

Minutes for 04/14/09 and 04/16/09 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Caraher seconded Dickson to approve Kim Michael's six month salary increase in the annual amount of \$1,000. All ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:15<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor



Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

April 23, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery and Mike Dickson. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

A representative from the city of Menlo gave the board an estimate of the cost to rebuild portions of Sherman and North Streets requesting the board approve having signs posted on the road outside the city limits and give the city of Menlo some assistance for the road repair costs.

The board had no problem with the signs being posted on the road and asked Dickson to call the engineer's office to make the request for the signs.

A full board was not present so no decision was made as to whether the county would give Menlo any monetary assistance for the road repair costs.

John Finnegan gave the board a demonstration of the GIS system. It was discussed what layers would be added and made available to the public for no charge.

Dean Downing spoke to the board about the need to flush the courthouse's cooling system. Since a coil was going to be replaced it could be done possibly a little cheaper if done at the same time.

The board told Downing to go ahead and have the system flushed.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

April 28, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to open public hearing at 9:04<sub>AM</sub>. All ayes.

The FY08-09 county budget amendment was reviewed.

Dickson was not in favor of the portion of the amendment relating to the landfill.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to close the public hearing at 9:15<sub>AM</sub>. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to approve Resolution 09-27: resolution for the adoption of a budget amendment for FY08-09. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, and Petersen. Nay-Dickson. Absent-Laughery.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to approve Resolution 09-28: appropriations resolution for FY08-09 budget amendment. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, and Petersen. Nay-Dickson. Absent-Laughery.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to approve Resolution 09-29: resolution to appoint Dickson as trustee for Guthrie County's MainStay accounts. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, Dickson, and Petersen. Absent-Laughery.

Minutes for 04/21/09 and 04/23/09 were reviewed and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$257,515.16 were reviewed and approved by the board.

Stephen Patterson spoke to the board about the purchase of a new pickup for environmental health. Patterson gave the board three quotes for comparable pickups to review. The pickup is budgeted in the current fiscal year.

The board advised him to go with the lowest priced vehicle.

The Report of Veteran Affairs and Commission for the quarter ending 03/31/09 was reviewed and approved.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve conservation hiring part time seasonal staff of George Ohms at \$8.65/hr., Skylar Willms at \$7.65/hr., and Eric Whitver at \$10.60/hr. All ayes.

Janell Stringham gave the board an update on the swine flu and an informational flier which she suggested be included with employee paychecks.

Dickson reviewed the requests made regarding Menlo's city streets for Petersen who was not present for the original discussion.

Motion Dickson seconded Petersen to approve giving the city of Menlo \$10,000 to help pay for the damaged streets in Menlo. Aye-Dickson. Nays-Wirt, Caraher, and Petersen.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:35<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

April 30, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Marty Arganbright gave the board his monthly update. The Sheriff's Department has just purchased two new semi-automatic rifles. Jeremy Bennett showed the board one of the new rifles.

Arganbright gave the board a listing of the 911 calls for April, told the board that his staff has been attending various educational seminars during the month and that he had his first meeting for reserve officers.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:14<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

May 5, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

The candidate interviewing for the county engineer's position requested the board go into closed session.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to enter into closed session per Code of Iowa 21.5(1) (i) at 9:04<sub>AM</sub>. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Dickson to exit closed session at 10:10<sub>AM</sub>. All ayes.

Darcia Robson reviewed general relief ordinances with the board.

The board requested that she compare Guthrie County's ordinance with the other counties' ordinances and to come up with recommendation as to what changes she would like to see.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to award the contract for Project FM-CO939(36)--55-39 to the lowest bidder, Gus Construction with a bid of \$130,890.60. All ayes.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to award the contract for Project STP-S-CO39(51)--5E-39 to the lowest bidder, Cedar Valley Corp. with a bid of \$559,278.50. All ayes.

Karen Sievers with the Guthrie County Tourism Council reviewed a press release with the board regarding two visioning/strategy sessions for Guthrie County and requested that if possible a board member participate in the sessions.

Minutes for 04/28/09 and 04/30/09 were reviewed and approved.

The Sheriff's quarterly report for the period ending 03/31/09 was reviewed and approved.

Rachel Garst spoke to the board requesting its permission to submit appropriation requests to Senators Grassley and Harkin on behalf of Guthrie County for the Herndon to Coon Rapids bike trail. Several members of the community were present in support of the project.

Garst reviewed the drafts requesting the appropriations, the budget for the project in its entirety, maps of where the trail would be and other funding options to meet the match requirements.

Garst told the board Guthrie County was at no risk but that the county would have to assume ownership of the trail and would be responsible for its maintenance at completion.

Joe Hanner told the board that assuming responsibility for the trail after it is completed would require additional personnel.

The board put the appropriation requests on the agenda for Thursday.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:40<sub>PM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

May 7, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerry Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Dean Downing told the board the boiler is leaking and that a hydro test will have to be done to determine the severity of the damage to the boiler. To do this test the asbestos insulating the boiler will have to be removed.

The board asked Downing to get two bids for the asbestos removal.

Motion Caraher seconded Petersen to offer a contract for the Guthrie County Engineer position to Joshua Sebern, P.E. at an annual salary of \$83,000 with a start date of 07/01/09. All ayes.

Rachel Garst went over the final draft of the appropriation requests, a proposed letter of support for the Herndon to Coon Rapids bike trail, maps of the area and ideas on where the matching funds could be raised. Several members of the community were there in support of the bike trail. No one present was opposed to the trail.

Rich Voelker with Snyder and Associates answered questions on the proposed design and location of the trail.

Garst said she was requesting approval to submit the appropriation requests to Senators Grassley and Harkin on behalf of Guthrie County and was asking for no county financial support for the trail project.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to approve the submission of the appropriation requests and the letter of support for the Herndon to Coon Rapids bike trail project with the understanding that no financial support is expected from the county for the completion of the project. Roll call vote: Ayes-Petersen, Laughery, Caraher, and Wirt. Nay-Dickson. Motion carries.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:40<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

May 12, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Minutes for 05/05/09 and 05/07/09 were reviewed and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$195,608.79 were reviewed and approved by the board.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve the FY08 cost allocation plan and the federal certification statement. All ayes.

Motion Dickson seconded Laughery to approve the petition for tax suspension. All ayes.

The board discussed contract changes requested by Joshua Sebern, agreeing to ten days of vacation during his first year and reimbursing Sebern \$1,000 in moving expenses.

Dave Paulson and Jim Jordan updated the board on current projects and requested a letting date for the patching project be set for 06/09/09 and 10:00<sub>AM</sub>.

The board set a letting date of 06/09/09 at 10:00<sub>AM</sub> for project FM-CO39(53)--55-39.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:11<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
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Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

May 14, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sup>AM</sup>.

Joe Hanner gave the board April Guthrie County Conservation Board Minutes to review.

Hanner told the board of a problem area near the bike trail close to the Greene County line and that he had gotten two bids to get it fixed.

Dickson stated money is not being donated toward trail maintenance and those using the trail should be paying to maintain it.

Hanner expressed the importance of a strong partnership between conservation and secondary roads, the county engineer, and the board of supervisors as issues like that discussed above arise.

Gary Randel and Janet Oberholtz from Country View Estates spoke to the board about the county's health insurance plan in which they participate. Country View Estates wants to have a higher deductible plan.

The board said it would speak to Auxiant about the effect on county's plan if Country View Estate leaves the county's plan.

Dean Downing reviewed two bids for removing the insulation from around the boiler which contains asbestos. Downing also had quotes from two companies that would monitor the air quality outside the boiler room while the asbestos is being removed which is recommended and for air quality tests which are required after the work is completed.

Glenda Edwards, the risk manager for the county, was also present. Edwards told the board she thought it would be a good idea to have the recommended monitoring done.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to accept the lower bid of \$9,875.00 from ICM Insulation for the insulation removal and to have the air quality monitoring and testing done by Iowa Environmental Services at a rate of \$500.00 per day. All ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:46<sup>AM</sup>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
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Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

May 19, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery and Mike Dickson. The meeting began at 9:09<sub>AM</sub>.

Minutes for 05/12/09 and 05/14/09 were reviewed and approved.

Guthrie County Board of Health minutes for 04/15/09 were reviewed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10<sub>AM</sub>.

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Larry Laughery  
Vice Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor



Board of Supervisors  
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Regular Session

May 21, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher and Larry Laughery. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Jim Jordan gave the board the final plans for project FM-CO39(53)--55-39 for its approval and a contract for signature for the box culvert on 180<sup>th</sup> Street.

Motion Caraher seconded Laughery to approve the final plans for FM-CO39(53)--55-39. All ayes.

Jordan updated the board on the Yale paving project, the Bailey bridge, and Thompson 60 Bridge.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:40<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

May 26, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Mike Dickson, and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Stephen Patterson told the board that an IMWCA representative is coming to the transfer station for a site visit on 05/27/09.

Patterson also updated the board on the septic system time of sale rules. There is a chance that the state will delay the effective date from 07/01/09 to 07/01/10. The board of health has approved moving forward with the implementation date of 07/01/09. Patterson asked the board to approve the 07/01/09 implementation date.

The implementation date for the septic system time of sale rules was discussed by the board.

Minutes for 05/19/09 and 05/21/09 were reviewed and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$438,994.71 were reviewed and approved by the board.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:34<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
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Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

May 28, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Mike Dickson, and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Marty Arganbright and Jeremy Bennett were present to give the board a Sheriff's office update.

Arganbright told the board that the testing for those interested in the Sheriff's reserve program would be in Adel on Saturday. There are 20 people interested. The training to become a reserve officer will take 18 months to complete.

Arganbright also told the board that the department's Wick building would be completed by June 18<sup>th</sup>.

Bennett told the board he had applied for a COPS grant that would pay the cost of an additional deputy for the first three years of the four year period. The county would be responsible for all costs during the fourth year.

Arganbright asked the board to consider changing the county's policy for days allowed to be taken for a sick family member. The Sheriff's office current allows two days and the county policy states three days. Arganbright suggested that it be changed to five days, with the additional two days being at the discretion of the department head. Barry Stetzel was also present for the discussion.

The board agreed that Arganbright should change to the three days and the issue of increasing the number of days would be discussed when there was a full board present.

Dave Paulson and Jim Jordan were present for a secondary roads update.

Paulson presented the DOT budget amendment to the board.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to approve the DOT budget amendment as presented. All ayes.

Paulson and Jordan updated the board on a meeting with Mike McAlister, the paving project in Yale, line painting on the roads and the preliminary price of a Caterpillar road grader.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:58<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

June 2, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery and Mike Dickson. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>. Clel Baudler, State Representative for the 58<sup>th</sup> District was present for the meeting.

Minutes for 05/26/09 and 05/28/09 were reviewed and approved.

Bob Kreimeyer with Southwestern Financial Services asked the board for permission to give the county a quote for group medical coverage.

Laughery said that the board would like him to make his quote without the benefit of what the county's premiums are now.

The board gave Kreimeyer permission to give the county a quote for group medical coverage.

Motion Laughery seconded Dickson to approve Raymond Coffman's request for payment of comp. time. All ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

June 4, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Stephen Patterson gave the board an update on the 05/27/09 IMWCA site visit. The building where de-manufacturing is done is going to have to be rewired and insulation will have to be removed.

Patterson told the board of the need to hire an additional part-time person for fill-in times to work in the office at the Transfer Station and gave the board a letter with the name of a potential candidate.

The board asked Patterson to continue to look for a qualified candidate for the position.

Patterson informed the board that the implementation delay for the time of sale rules septic system inspections was vetoed by the governor so it will have an effective date of 07/01/09.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to accept the Board of Health's Regulations, Chapter One Private Sewage Disposal System Rules. All ayes.

Bob Kempf explained the changes in his manure management plan to the board.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve Lake Panorama National Resort's application for a retail cigarette/tobacco permit. All ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50<sub>AM</sub>.

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Larry Laughery  
Vice Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

June 9, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Jason White from Midwest Partnership was present to update the board on SynGest, Inc. Barry Stetzel and Luann Waldo were also present.

White told the board Jack Oswald, CEO of SynGest, will be submitting a proposed conditional letter of commitment for the board to review later this week.

SynGest is applying for a \$40 million Department of Energy grant which will require a like match.

Dave Paulson and Jim Jordan spoke to the board about motor grader replacements.

Motion Laughery seconded Dickson to approve the purchase of two Caterpillar 140M motor graders. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve lifting the embargo on Maple Avenue. All ayes.

The letting for project FM-CO39(53)--55-39 was at 10:00<sub>AM</sub>. Present for the letting was Gary Rhinhardt from Iowa Erosion Control, Inc. Bids were opened and specifications were then reviewed by Paulson and Jordan before action was taken by the board.

Minutes for 06/02/09 and 06/04/09 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to approve the fireworks permit for Gwen Blass. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve the fireworks permit for Mike Dickson. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve the end of probation increase for Justin Kress from \$13.06/hr. to \$14.06/hr. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Dickson to approve the end of probation increase for Jim Jordan from \$22.50/hr. to \$23.00/hr. per hour effective 07/01/09. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to accept the lowest bid from Gus Construction of \$70,376.56 for project FM-CO39(53)--55-39. All ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:50<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

June 11, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Joe Hanner gave the board May Guthrie County Conservation Board Minutes to review.

Hanner told the board the bottom campground at Nations Bridge Park was still closed and that the playground equipment has been built and moved into place.

Hanner also told the board that a CAT grant of \$1.6 million over four years had been awarded for the Raccoon River Valley Trail extension and renovation project contingent on fundraising of \$800,000 to be done in the next 180 days and that the DOT had approved the engineer for the Panora to Yale bike trail rehabilitation project. Hanner wanted the board to be aware that the cost of Panora to Yale project would be paid up front by the county and then the county would be reimbursed.

Hanner gave an update on the bank along the Raccoon River Valley Trail by the Greene County line.

Marty Arganbright spoke to the board about changing his general policies including the vacation policy to be the same as the county's.

Motion Laughery seconded Petersen to have the Sheriff's office have the same general policies as those for the county effective July 1, 2009. All ayes.

Arganbright told that board that he was happy with the three days of sick leave that can be used for a family member who is ill.

The board agreed that it should remain at three days.

The mental health advocate expenses were reviewed and approved.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve the fireworks permit for Danny Moss. All ayes.

Mark Hearn and Chris Robson from Auxiant gave the board a mid-year review of the county's health plan. Gary Randel and Janet Oberholtz were also present for the review. A wellness plan was also discussed.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:05<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

June 16, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Minutes for 06/09/09 and 06/11/09 were reviewed and approved.

Claims in the amount of \$544,620.41 were reviewed and approved by the board.

Wirt spoke to Nic Chance to verify the union had no issues with the revised safety policy.

Motion Dickson seconded Wirt to approve the revised safety policy effective 07/01/09. All ayes.

Carol O'tool and Matt Mattson spoke to the supervisors about the Department of Human Services (DHS) switching office space with Case Management. DHS no longer needs all the space it is currently renting and Case Management is interested in the larger area.

The board had no problems with the two entities switching office spaces.

Dave Paulson and Jim Jordan gave the board quotes for the mix shed cover building to review recommending that the board go with the lowest bidder.

The board agreed with their recommendation.

There was a discussion of the county's level B road policy. Paulson recommended the new engineer review the level B road policy.

Guthrie County Board of Health minutes for May 2009 were reviewed.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:04<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor



Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

June 18, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>. Laura Hartman from Congressman Steve King's office was present for the meeting.

Janell Stringham reviewed Public Health's statistical report with the board.

She requested Laughery sign the Iowa Department of Public Health FY10 contract and an agreement between the board of supervisors and the board of health.

Stringham updated the board on grants, the HOPES program, and the recent car seat check.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve fireworks permits for Gwen Blass and Joe Scheiring. All ayes.

Motion Dickson seconded Petersen to approve the letter of support for the Adair County Landfill and Recycling Center SWAP grant. All ayes.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to appoint Kevin Wirt as the representative to accompany the IMWCA representative on his site visit with Glenda Edwards as the alternate. All ayes.

Leora Laughery updated the board on the Wick building being built and requested that the board go look at the building.

The board discussed current legislation and regulations with Hartman.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:52<sub>AM</sub>.

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Larry Laughery  
Vice Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

June 23, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Minutes for 06/16/09 and 06/18/09 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve Resolution 09-30: giving the engineer right of final acceptance. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, Dickson, and Petersen. Absent-Laughery.

A claim in the amount of \$19,890.00 was reviewed and approved by the board.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:18<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

June 25, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Marty Arganbright told the board a jail inspection that was done on 06/15/09 went very well and that the storage building was now complete.

Jack Oswald and Don Frazer from SynGest presented the board with a draft request for assistance consisting of two potential options of help from the county. Proposing the choice of the option selected would be SynGest's. Also present were Barry Stetzel, Mary Benton, Jason White, Luann Waldo and Scott Gonzales. Bob Josten was called to clarify some questions on TIF revenue bonds.

Oswald told the board that he would be applying for a DOE (Department of Energy) grant for \$50 million and that he would have to have matching funds if the grant is received saying the \$20 million in TIF revenue bonds were critical to his plan.

Oswald thought site preparation would begin in the fall and construction would occur in 2010 with full scale production in 2011.

Oswald told the board he would have something to them on Monday for Tuesday's (06/30/09) meeting for board action. He emphasized that the board would not be obligated for anything until it was approved at a later time but that he needed documentation to submit with the DOE grant.

Motion Petersen seconded Dickson to approve fireworks permits for Michael James, LeRoy Graham and Dave Breitbach. All ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:50<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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Jerri Christman  
Guthrie County Auditor

Board of Supervisors  
Guthrie County

Regular Session

June 30, 2009

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with the following members present: Kevin Wirt, Jerome Caraher, Larry Laughery, Mike Dickson and James Petersen. The meeting began at 9:00<sub>AM</sub>.

Jack Oswald and Don Frazer were present from SynGest. Also present for the SynGest discussion were Mary Benton, Barry Stetzel, Luann Waldo, Scott Gonzales and Ashley Feick.

Oswald announced the Weitz Company has been chosen as the contractor for the plant. Oswald then asked the board to review the memorandum of agreement he was proposing the board approve.

Mary Benton, county attorney, reviewed concerns she had with the agreement and recommended changes be made to the agreement. Benton wanted to clarify the choice between the two options would be at the board's discretion not SynGest's.

Oswald agreed to the changes and revised the agreement.

Motion Dickson seconded Petersen to approve the revised memorandum of agreement. Roll call vote: Ayes-Petersen, Dickson, Laughery, Caraher, and Wirt.

Dickson reviewed for the board a problem brought to him by Larre Feller regarding the failure to receive notice of taxes due.

Minutes for 06/23/09 and 06/25/09 were reviewed and approved.

Motion Petersen seconded Caraher to approve Resolution 09-31: resolution for the maximum fees payable in certain guardianship and conservatorships. Roll call vote: Ayes-Wirt, Caraher, Laughery, Dickson, and Petersen.

Claims in the amount of \$441,764.89 were reviewed and approved by the board.

Motion Petersen seconded Laughery to approve the fireworks permits for Deb Molle Grunsted and Craig Little. All ayes.

Motion Laughery seconded Caraher to approve the Memorandum of Understanding MOU-2010-CO39 for the IDPH to provide substance abuse prevention and related services. All ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:46<sub>AM</sub>.

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Kevin Wirt  
Chair – Guthrie County Board of Supervisors

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