

**CHICKASAW COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES**  
**September 14, 2026**

The Board convened on Monday, September 14, 2026, 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Carter, Suckow, Cerwinski and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Hackman called the meeting to order. Also present were Board Secretary Sheila Shekleton, County Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske, member of media, Engineer Roman Lensing, EMS Director Joel Knutson

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Suckow to approve agenda for September 14, 2026. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Carter to approve the minutes for September 8, 2026. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve Iowa Department of Transportation Federal-Aid Agreement for County Highway Bridge Program Project BROS-C019(124)--8J-19. Roll call. All Ayes: Motion carried.

Department updates provided by Engineer Roman Lensing.

Public Comment: The auditor shared that copy fees were going up and that might be the start of many services that may increase.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Suckow to open the Public hearing on the proposed Amendment No. 3 to the CWEC Urban Renewal Plan at 9:10 AM. Roll call. Ayes: Cerwinski, Suckow, Breitbach, Carter, Hackman. Motion carried.

No written comment

No oral comment

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Suckow to close the Public hearing on the proposed Amendment No. 3 to the CWEC Urban Renewal Plan at 9:13 AM. Roll call. Ayes: Cerwinski, Suckow, Breitbach, Carter, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Carter to adopt Resolution 09.14.26.54. A Resolution determining an area of the County to be an economic development and blighted area, and that the rehabilitation, conservation, redevelopment, development or a combination thereof, of such area is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety or welfare of the residents of the County; designating such area as appropriate for urban renewal projects; and adopting the Amendment No. 3 to the CWEC Urban Renewal Plan. RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2026. /ss/ Ayes: Breitbach, Carter, Suckow, Cerwinski, Hackman. Attest: Sheila Shekleton, Auditor Detailed document on file at Auditor's office and on county's website <https://www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov>

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Suckow to approve resignation of Kevin Geerts for the position of Medical Examiner Investigator for Chickasaw County effective September 9, 2026. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Carter to approve resignation of Kaitlyn Kipp for the positions of part-time EMT for Chickasaw County EMS effective September 9, 2026. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Carter to direct the EMS Director to advertise the Medical Examiner Investigation opening on the county website and social media. Applications are to be submitted to the EMS Director by Friday, October 2, 2026 by 4:00 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Breitbach to approve 28E Agreement for Ambulance Services letter to be sent to the cities and do request decision by December 31, 2026.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Breitbach to amend motion to also include that the contexts in the third paragraph is negotiable. Roll call. All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Breitbach to approve 28E Agreement for Ambulance Services letter to be sent to the cities and do request decision by December 31, 2026 and to amend motion to also include that the contexts in the third paragraph is negotiable. Roll call. All Ayes: Motion carried.

Department updates provided by EMS Director Joel Knutson.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Breitbach to approve the Northeast corner of the cold storage building at the Heritage Center for a place for storage for Child Abuse Council items. Roll call. All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Carter to Acknowledge the amended motion from August 14, 2026 to adjust salary from \$71,000.00 to \$74,000.00 for Megan Lester at Public Health effective January 1, 2027 as Assistant Administrator/Home Care MGR. Roll call. All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinske to close the Courthouse for an all staff training on Friday, October 2, 2026 at 2:00 PM to 4:30 PM. Roll call. All Ayes: Motion carried.

Discussed county used equipment for potential sale.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to approve schematic drawing by Emergent Architecture for Heritage Center's north wing renovation. Roll call. Ayes: Suckow, Cerwinske, Carter, Hackman. Nay: Breitbach. Motion carried.

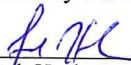
Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Carter to approve Chickasaw County Offices holiday closing schedule for 2027. Roll call. All Ayes: Motion carried.

Committee assignments:

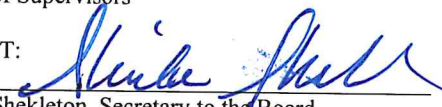
Supervisor Suckow, September 10, Juvenile Detention First

Supervisor Cerwinske, September 10, FMC County Landfill & Heartland Insurance Risk Pool

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to adjourn at 10:02 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

  
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Jacob Hackman, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

  
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Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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