

April 7, 2025

The Poweshiek County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. Members present Jason Roudabush, Jacki Bolen, and Jeff Tindle.

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve agenda. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve April 3, 2025 board minutes. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Kristin Fantazia, General Assistance Director, met with the board for a weekly meeting.

Sandy Ross, Treasurer, met to discuss a county-held certificate on property in Searsboro. Ross will need to reschedule to the next board meeting because a representative from Searsboro City Council could not attend the meeting today.

Lora Wyckoff, Recorder, met with the board for a quarterly meeting. The board received the Recorder's report of fees collected for the month ending March 2025.

Brenda Dailey & Betsy Stursma, CICS, met with the board to provide an update on the mental health region. Stursma stated the CICS region currently handles both behavioral health and aging & disability services. The reorganization will establish a behavioral health services system to provide mental health, substance abuse & other addiction recovery services. The current 11 regions will move into 7 districts. The Behavioral Health – Administrative Service Organization (ASO) contract for all 7 districts was awarded to Iowa Primary Care Association. Currently, the mental health services funding has been through the CICS and the other regions, and with this change, the funding will all be handled by the ASO. The disability services currently provided by CICS and other regions would move to Iowa HHS' division of disability and aging services. Individuals previously serviced by the regions will transition to an awarded Disability Access Point (DAP), who will assume responsibility for service coordination & payment for authorized services for individuals with individualized care plans & authorized services to ensure service continuity. CICS was awarded the DAP for districts 2, 3, & 6, which does include Poweshiek County. Due to this reorganization, CICS will need to reduce administrative costs due to a much lower budget. Currently, the CICS region has an office in all 15 counties they service. Going forward, CICS will reduce that office space to 12 locations with districts 2, 3, & 6, which includes 44 counties. Stursma recommends looking at the Iowa Health & Human Services website's frequently asked questions section to keep up to date on this matter as things are updated daily.

Board reviewed the submitted request for payment of emergency communication bonds, including pre-project work, laptops for deputy vehicles, and additional radio & equipment for two additional deputies. Board felt all fell under the guidelines of the emergency community bonds, and it was moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen, to approve the expenses. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Roudabush stated that he is attending the Economic Rural Development Summit on Thursday.

Tindle stated he has the conservation board meeting on Tuesday.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush at 10:53 a.m. to adjourn.

Melissa Eilander, Poweshiek County Auditor

Jeff Tindle, Chairman