

April 24, 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 Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve agenda. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve April 21, 2025 board minutes. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve April 25, 2025, payroll for \$312,211.55. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve utility permit #25-16U to Brooklyn Mutual Telephone Coop for work in Section 20, Warren Township. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

J.D. Griffith, Sanitarian/Zoning Administrator, met with the board for a monthly update. Griffith provided the March 2025 sanitarian's report. Griffith discussed changes made to the draft of the solar ordinance. A discussion was held regarding a nuisance property south of the Malcom I-80 exit, located on the east side. Griffith stated he spoke to the county attorney regarding this property, and in order for the county to pursue clean-up of this property, the county would need to establish a nuisance ordinance. Griffith found an example from Jasper County and will work with the county attorney to get a draft ordinance prepared to discuss further at a later board meeting.

Derek Bates, The Record, joined the meeting.

Lyle Brehm, Engineer, met with the board to present the IDOT FY26 budget and the IDOT county 5-year road plan.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve IDOT FY26 budget and authorize Jeff Tindle, Chairman, to sign. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve IDOT county 5-year road plan and authorize Jeff Tindle, Chairman, to sign. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Brehm presented to the board a letter of agreement for union employees to operate on four 10-hour days from the week after Memorial Day to the Friday preceding Labor Day. (June 2, 2025 to August 29, 2025) The normal work week will be Monday through Thursday from 6:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., including a 30-minute lunch period. Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve Letter of Agreement and authorize Jeff Tindle, Chairman, to sign. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Dustin Skagerboe, IDOT representative, and Reece McGrew, Manatts representative, met to discuss the road project on Hwy 21 south of the I-80 interchange. Others attending to obtain information were Tom Cheney, Richard Cheney, Don Cranston, Dave King, and Ken Cordes. This project is a 6" PC overlay on Hwy 21 south of Denny's to the Hwy 85 intersection. Work will begin May 5 with the removal of certain areas, and then milling of the asphalt will start. McGrew stated that once all the pre-work is completed, they expect to start with the pavement overlay at the beginning of June. Once they do a portion, no traffic can be on this area for at least 24 hours. This area will be fenced off to all traffic. During the pre-work, residents should be able to access the road to get to their residence and their farming locations. Questions were asked about feed trucks getting through, as some residents have cattle along this road. McGrew said they would work with residents the best they can to keep that access, and McGrew and Skagerboe said anyone can call them with any questions or to get updates. When the portion of the road is not drivable, Manatts relayed that residents could park their vehicles at the closest gravel road intersection and utilize a provided golf cart to get from the residence to their vehicle. Tindle relayed concerns from Heartland Coop at Guernsey with getting grain trucks in and out, and also trucks hauling materials for their business. McGrew stated they would still be able to have access until the time of laying the pavement. McGrew stated they hope to have the road fully open to through traffic by the beginning of July.

Matt Maschmann, Sheriff, met with the board to discuss the in-car cameras and body cameras. Maschmann obtained a quote to fit the two new deputy cars and deputies with cameras, which was around \$32,000. Sheriff Maschmann stated that the prior sheriff purchased all the cameras outright, so the department is responsible for the

upkeep and repair costs of the cameras. Sheriff Maschmann obtained a quote to lease the cameras for 5 years, which all maintenance and repairs would be included in this lease, as well as a replacement after 3 years of all body cameras. The lease would be 5 installment payments. Board stated they would like to see the quotes and information that is contained in the lease agreement, so Sheriff Maschmann will email the information to the board members and will have a follow-up conversation.

Sheriff Maschmann also discussed a portable dispatch. This was something Sheriff Maschmann felt should have been included in the original radio project agreement. This would be stored off-site at the Grinnell tower and would be used if something happened to the dispatch center in Montezuma, and could also be used for any event around the county in conjunction with the EMA trailer. Being connected to the Grinnell tower, it will receive all updates, and someone will test it once a month.

Sheriff Maschmann relayed that he obtained a quote for a third dispatch unit for the communications center. Sheriff Maschmann is going to present this to the E911 board to see if they would be on board to purchase this additional dispatch unit.

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve certificate of appointment for Nathan A. Bardole, Deputy Sheriff, effective July 1, 2025; rate of pay \$37.79 per hour. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Tylor Nelson, Conservation Director, met with the board to discuss the Conservation Technician II position and job description. Tindle stated that this should all be approved by the Conservation Board before being brought to the Board of Supervisors. Nelson stated he wanted to distinguish between Tech I and Tech II positions, with Tech II having more supervisory responsibilities. Board of Supervisors relayed to Nelson to meet with his board to determine if they want to create this new position or to update the current job description and then follow up with the Board of Supervisors.

Board reviewed the letter drafted in support of Dayton Meat Products' application for a grant. Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve a letter of support for Dayton Meat Products' application to the Rural Innovation Grant Program, Economic Gardening, and authorize Jeff Tindle, Chairman, to sign. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Board tabled authorizing Jeff Tindle and Melissa Eilander to sign FY24 audit exit documents due to the State Auditor's Office still reaching out with questions for completion of the audit.

Bolen stated she has a Region 6 meeting on Monday at Noon.

Roudabush stated he has a Poweshiek County Economic Development Collaborative (former Pow I-80) meeting next week on Wednesday.

Tindle stated he has a Central Iowa Juvenile Detention meeting tomorrow.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush at 11:49 a.m. to adjourn.

Melissa Eilander, Poweshiek County Auditor

Jeff Tindle, Chairman