

September 18, 2025

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

Moved by Bolen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roudabush to approve agenda. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Roudabush, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bolen to approve September 15, 2025, board minutes. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bolen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roudabush to approve Utility Permit #26-03U to Poweshiek Water Association for work in Section 4, Deep River Township, and Section 33, Lincoln Township. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Galyn Nook, IT Director, met with the board to provide an IT update. Nook provided a plan to update the computers and servers. Nook stated the new cameras at the courthouse are set to be installed next week.

Lora Wyckoff, Recorder, joined the meeting.

Senator Annette Sweeney joined the meeting via Microsoft Teams.

Jennifer Anderson, Treasurer, met with the board to discuss the driver's license office. Anderson was approached about bringing a driver's license station to Grinnell one day per week. Anderson has obtained information from DOT on obtaining another issuance station. DOT informed Anderson that the county does not qualify for another issuance station. Supervisor Tindle asked Senator Sweeney if this would be something she could assist with. Senator Sweeney said she would be happy to have a meeting with DOT to push for an additional issuance station for the county. Senator Sweeney asked Treasurer Anderson to send her an email with all the information she has obtained from DOT regarding a satellite location.

Anderson also updated the outcome of exploring the driver's license office move upstairs to within the tax department location. Recorder Wyckoff said her office is right across from the tax department, and the hallway can already be congested with people visiting each office. Moving the driver's license to the tax department location will only increase the congestion. Auditor Eilander stated it would be even worse during election time, with four or more voting stations in the hallway and everyone coming in to vote. Anderson stated that after the meeting with a representative from DOT, it didn't seem feasible to move the driver's license to the tax department location.

Senator Sweeney, Chair of the Natural Resources and Environment Committee, stated she is working on topics relevant to geological hydrogen development. Iowa has a potential for a growing interest in geological hydrogen processing. Senator Sweeney says she has met with geologists and engineers to gain more information on this subject.

Bolen relayed to Senator Sweeney her concerns on property tax reform with legislation. Bolen stated legislators need to look at all cities and counties and how their decisions will affect each, specifically the small cities and counties.

Roudabush stated that of the county budget, two-thirds is spent on public safety and the county road system.

Roudabush stated he attended an Iowa Workforce meeting this week. Roudabush stated he is on the site development and tourism subcommittee with Pow I-80 and had a meeting this week.

Bolen stated she is a member of the workforce and housing subcommittee with Pow I-80. Bolen stated she recommended that the workforce and housing need to be separate subcommittees because they are two different areas, and each needs its own specific focus. Bolen will be attending a work group kickoff where this will be discussed.

Moved by Bolen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roudabush at 10:22 a.m. to adjourn.

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Melissa Eilander, Poweshiek County Auditor

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Jeff Tindle, Chairman