

January 20, 2026

The Poweshiek County Conference Board met in the lower-level conference room at the courthouse in Montezuma to discuss a FY 2026 budget amendment for the assessor's office.

Chairperson, Jason Roudabush, called the meeting to order at 4:30 P.M. with the following members present:

Supervisors: Jacki Bolen and Jason Roudabush

Mayors: Eric Reefer, Sam Cox, Colin Watts, Matt VanTomme, Annette Hasley, Dawn Hamilton and Carma Craig.

Schools: Jason Meyer, Stacia Brown and Laura Fendt

Staff: Amy Stevenson, Alyssa Sutherland, Ashley Fallis and Zachary Hall

Public: Missy Eilander and Laura Tish

A motion was made by Jason Meyer for the schools and seconded by Colin Watts for the mayors to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all ayes.

A motion was made by Jason Meyer for the schools and seconded by Annette Hasley for the mayors to approve minutes of the March 31, 2025 meeting. Motion carried with all ayes.

Assessor Amy Stevenson gave a presentation on the duties of the Assessor and Deputy positions along with a salary adjustment request.

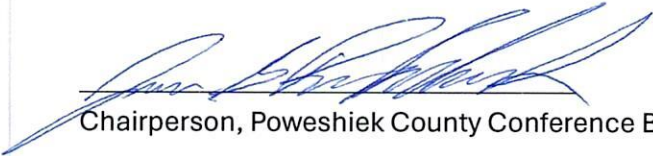
Assessor Amy Stevenson gave a proposed fiscal year 2026 budget amendment to increase the Assessor salary to \$119,000 and the Chief Deputy salary to \$95,200. Members of the conference board requested to break into quorums to discuss.

After discussion, a motion was made by Sam Cox for the mayors and seconded by Laura Fendt for the schools to amend the budget and allow for the increase in salary for the Assessor to \$119,000 and for the Chief Deputy to \$95,200. A roll call was completed with ayes from Sam Cox for the mayors, Colin Watts for the mayors, Carma Craig for the mayors, Stacia Brown for the schools and Laura Fendt for the schools. Nays from Jason Roudabush for the Supervisors, Jacki Bolen for the supervisors, Annette Hasley for the mayors, Dawn Hamilton for the mayors, Jason Meyer for the schools, Eric Reefer for the mayors and Matt VanTomme for the mayors. Motion failed.

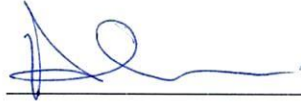
A new motion was made by Sam Cox for the mayors and Laura Fendt for the schools to increase the salary for the Assessor to \$115,000 with the Chief Deputy to receive a salary of 80% of the Assessor pay. A roll call was complete with ayes from Sam Cox with the mayors, Colin Watts for the mayors, Carma Craig for the mayors, Laura Fendt for the schools and Stacia Brown for the schools. Nays from Jason Roudabush for the Supervisors, Jacki Bolen for the supervisors, Annette Hasley for the mayors, Dawn Hamilton for the mayors, Jason Meyer for the schools, Eric Reefer for the mayors and Matt VanTomme for the mayors. Motion failed.

With no other motions by the conference board regarding salary adjustments, the next Conference Board Meeting was scheduled for February 17, 2026 at 4:30 P.M.

A motion was made by Sam Cox for the mayors at 7:11 P.M. and seconded by Laura Fendt for the schools to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with all ayes.



Chairperson, Poweshiek County Conference Board



Clerk, Poweshiek County Conference Board