

March 24, 2026

The Poweshiek County Board of Supervisors met at 6:00 p.m. for a public hearing on the proposed property tax levy. Members present: Jason Roudabush, Jacki Bolen, and Jeff Tindle.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush at 6:00 p.m. to go into a public hearing regarding the property tax levy for FY27. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Present at public hearing: Jason Roudabush, Jacki Bolen, Jeff Tindle, Supervisors; Missy Eilander, Auditor; Debbie Tiernan Wolfe, Blair Wolfe, Carolyn Bittner, Richard Weiler.

Chairman Roudabush asked for comments or questions from those attending. Discussion was held on the increase in the budget for law enforcement to cover hiring two additional deputies and for software subscription services, information technology costs, conservation lake restoration project, property/liability insurance costs, and cost increases in fuel, equipment, and rock. Further discussion on the fund balance for the county, stating that the county must operate from the fund balance for a few months before taxes are collected again in September. The ideal fund balance would be at twenty-five percent, and the county is around seventeen percent. Explanation of who pays the general basic levy and who pays the rural basic levy. The entire county pays the general basic levy, and only the rural residents pay the rural basic levy. The urban residents would pay the levy associated with their city.

Further discussion on county information technology and security, and windmills within the county.

Moved by Tindle, 2nd by Bolen at 6:38 p.m. to close public hearing. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Melissa Eilander, Poweshiek County Auditor

Jason Roudabush, Chairman