

April 29, 2026

The Poweshiek County Conference Board met in the lower-level conference room at the courthouse in Montezuma to discuss and consider for approval the appointment of Alyssa Sutherland to Chief Deputy Assessor at 90% of the Assessor's salary.

Chairperson, Jason Roudabush, called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. with the following members present:

Supervisors: Jason Roudabush, Jeff Tindle and Jacki Bolen

Schools: Jason Meyer and Stacia Brown

Mayors: Matt VanTomme, Carma Craig, Dawn Hamilton, Jeff Innis, Sam Cox (via phone), Annette Hasley, Eric Reefer and Colin Watts

Staff: Missy Eilander (interim-Assessor), Alyssa Sutherland and Ashley Fallis

Public: Derek Bates, the Record

A motion was made by Jeff Tindle for the supervisors and seconded by Jason Meyer for the schools to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all ayes.

A motion was made by Dawn Hamilton for the mayors and seconded by Jason Meyer for the schools to approve the meeting minutes from the April 7, 2026, conference board meeting. Motion carried with all ayes.

Chairperson Jason Roudabush discussed Alyssa Sutherland's history with Poweshiek County with 19 years of employment in the Assessor's Office. With the recent vacancy of both the Assessor and Chief Deputy Assessor, paying Alyssa 90% of the Assessor's salary would ensure the office retained an employee with not only years of experience, but the knowledge of being able to maintain the Assessor's office and skillset to be able to help the office continue its day-to-day functions. The board will also be appointing Alyssa to Chief Deputy Assessor.

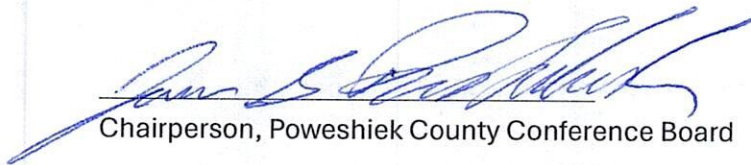
A motion was made by Dawn Hamilton for the mayors and seconded by Jacki Bolen for the supervisors to approve the appointment of Alyssa Sutherland to Chief Deputy Assessor at a pay rate of 90% of the Assessor's salary. A roll call was made: Jacki Bolen – aye, Jason Roudabush – aye, Jeff Tindle – nay, Dawn Hamilton – aye, Annette Hasley – aye, Stacia Brown – aye, Colin Watts -aye, Matt VanTomme – aye, Eric Reefer – aye, Jeff Innis -aye, Carma Craig – aye, Sam Cox – aye, Jason Meyer – nay. Motion passed.

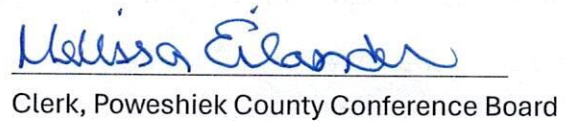
Alyssa Sutherland is appointed Chief Deputy Assessor at 90% of the Assessor's salary effective May 4, 2026.

Chairperson Jason Roudabush discussed the assessor vacancy. He stated he has requested the register from the Department of Revenue containing the names of all individuals eligible for appointment of assessor once again. Once the list is received, a letter will be sent to the individuals regarding the vacancy. Jason Roudabush stated there are currently three other counties in the state looking for an Assessor with a few of them already having to increase their salary to attract an Assessor. At this time, the board stated they have not received any interest in the position.

It was also discussed there is the potential to do a 28E with another county to share an assessor until one is hired; however, per the President of Iowa State Association of Assessors, this has never been done and Poweshiek County would first have to find a willing individual to serve as the Assessor of two counties at once.

With no other business, Jason Meyer for the schools made a motion at 5:16 P.M. to adjourn the meeting. Colin Watts made a second and the motion was carried with all ayes.


Chairperson, Poweshiek County Conference Board


Clerk, Poweshiek County Conference Board