November 5, 2026

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

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Tindle to approve the agenda. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Tindle, 2nd by Bolen to approve the October 29, 2026 board minutes. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Tindle to approve the November 6, 2026 payroll for $351,229.98. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Tindle, 2nd by Bolen to approve Resolution #2027-17, early retirement – continuation of health insurance coverage for Greg Reedy. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2027-17

The Poweshiek County Board of Supervisors has implemented a Continuation of Coverage-Early Retirement Policy-Poweshiek County Employee Health Plan Trust.
Gregory Reedy has requested continuation of coverage under Option 3B Retirement, effective December 31, 2026.
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THIS 5 day of November 2026 to grant the request for continuation of coverage to Gregory Reedy effective December 31, 2026. Poweshiek County shall notify the Poweshiek County Auditor's Office of the acceptance. Employee is eligible to receive continuation of coverage for medical, dental, and vision insurance benefits through the Poweshiek County Employee Health Plan Trust until becoming Medicare eligible or becoming eligible to receive the disability benefits provisions of the Federal Social Security Act as established under the Health Care Financing Administration guidelines.
Any remaining funds at the time of disposition shall revert to the originating county fund.
Dated this 5 day of November 2026.
POWESHIEK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Jason Roudabush, Chair
Jacki Bolen, Vice Chair
Jeff Tindle, Supervisor
Attest: Melissa Eilander, Poweshiek County Auditor

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Tindle, to approve Utility Permit #27-04U to Poweshiek Water Association for work in Section 17, Jefferson Township. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Lyle Brehm, Engineer, and J.D.Griffith, Zoning Administrator, met with the board to discuss the proposed battery storage facility in Section 18, Deep River Township, and the road use agreement between Interstate Power & Light and Poweshiek County. Griffith stated the proposed site is a 40-acre site with a 27-acre footprint for the storage containers. Griffith stated that Interstate Power & Light has not applied for the conditional use permit yet. He further stated that part of the conditional use permit is to have a road use agreement in place. Bolen asked who would pay for any damage to the road. Brehm stated they would conduct a pre-construction review of the roads and take photos and videos, and if the road was in worse condition, he would determine the cost to restore it to pre-construction condition and bill the contractor. Tindle had a concern about the weight on the roads during construction, but it appears the weight of hauling the containers to the proposed site will not be an issue. Brehm stated he would recommend the board approve the conditional use permit, subject to the approval of a conditional use permit and also after County Attorney Klaver has reviewed the agreement. Board has sent the road use agreement to County Attorney Klaver and is awaiting his response. After that time, they will place it on the agenda at a later meeting.

Board discussed changes to the Magistrate Appointing Commission. House File 2706 changed how Iowa appoints magistrates. Instead of a separate appointing commission in each county, there will now be 14 Judicial Election District Magistrate Appointing Commissions across the state, making the magistrate appointments, vacancies, and commission activities handled by the Judicial Election Districts rather than individual counties. The current members of the Poweshiek County Commission were contacted, and Janietta Criswell and Craig Johnstone volunteered to continue to serve at the district level. Poweshiek County can only have one individual to serve at the district level. The board discussed and felt that Janietta Criswell would be a good fit with her background in the judicial system.

Moved by Tindle, 2nd by Bolen, to approve the appointment of Janietta Criswell as Poweshiek County representative to the 8A District Magistrate Appointing Commission for a 6-year term beginning January 1, 2027. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Board discussed the request from Growmark, Inc. for a refund on 2023 taxes in the amount of $437. After reviewing all correspondence received regarding this request, the board will make a final decision at a later meeting, once the county attorney has reviewed and responded with his formal opinion.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Tindle at 10:06 a.m. to adjourn.

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Melissa Eilander, Poweshiek County Auditor Jason Roudabush, Chairman