Supervisors Room, Courthouse Pocahontas, Iowa March 25, 2025

At 11:00 a.m., the Board of Supervisors of Pocahontas County, Iowa, met for a public hearing on Proposed Tax Levy for FY26. Members present: Chairman, Clarence Siepker; Supervisors, Peter Seehusen, Louis Stauter, Kyle Smith, Brent Aden; and Auditor, Nita Hinrickson. Others present: Richard Nedved, Ron Egertsen, Joe Egertsen, Brian Hoffman, Jeanne Thormodson, Norm Zaugg, Gregg Heide, Matt Kopriva, Katie Halligan, Dick Gruber, Nancy Olson, Don Trexel and Reporter, Erin Sommers. Kalista Wagner, Assessor; Steve Nelson, Sheriff; Amy Johnson, Treasurer.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Smith to approve the agenda as posted. Ayes all, motion carried.

Chairman Siepker opened the public hearing by stating that this is a public hearing due to HF 718 to receive comments on the proposed tax levy for the 2025-2026 fiscal year and presented proof of publication. The Board and Auditor Hinrickson advised on the tax levy statements mailed to property owners, explained the different levies and answered questions. Hinrickson provided Department of Management information regarding the levy notice and also a bar chart on previous tax levies. No written objections were filed.

The public voiced their concerns on the tax rate and asked questions on valuations. Kalista Wagner provided guidance on Agland taxation and Residential valuations.

FY25 tax rate for Countywide is 6.42673 and Rural Additional is 3.18627. Proposed Notice for FY26 for Countywide is 6.48566 and Rural Additional is 3.15473. Reduction already for FY26 for Countywide rate to 6.43968.

At 12:00 p.m., with no more questions or comments, a motion was made by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to adjourn the public hearing. Ayes all, motion carried.	
Clarence Siepker, Chairman	Nita Hinrickson, County Auditor