

**Supervisors Room, Courthouse
Pocahontas, Iowa
December 11, 2025**

The Board of Supervisors of Pocahontas County, Iowa, met for a regular session pursuant to adjournment. Members present: Vice Chairman, Louis Stauter; Supervisors, Peter Seehusen, Kyle Smith, Brent Aden; Nita Hinrickson, Auditor. Absent: Clarence Sieper. Others present: Sarah Munson, Sandy Wells, Melissa Devereaux, Troy Lenz, Tate Schmeling, Engineer; Steve Nelson, Sheriff; Wes Van Donge; Chris Toner; Jeremy Watson. Telephonically: Erin Sommers, Reporter; Stephanie Henrichs and Matt Nedved.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Aden to approve the minutes from December 2, 2025 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

A meeting has been scheduled for December 18th to review MIDAS plan and ordinances.

Sarah Munson, Vice Chairman Comp Board, read the minutes from the comp board meeting and their recommendation of 6% for elected officials. Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to acknowledge receipt of the comp board minutes. Ayes all, motion carried.

Sandy Wells and Melissa Devereaux from Fonda Hometown Pride formally advised the Supervisors that they received the CAT grant and thanked them for their support.

Troy Lenz voiced concerns to the board about the Sheriff’s Department. After discussion, the sheriff asked him to go with officers to the LEC to file a written complaint.

The Board canvassed and filed with the Commissioner of Elections the Abstract of Votes for the 2025 Special Election for District 7. The votes were as follows:

Wendy Larson, REP – 543
Rachel Burns, DEM – 223
Scattering - 1

Motion by Smith, seconded by Seehusen to approve reappointment of Annette Devereaux and Tonja Peterson Anderson and the appointment of Bobbie Jo Devaul to the Board of Public Health. Ayes all, motion carried.

There were two applications for one position for Conservation Board. Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Aden to nominate for reappointment, Ray Wolf to the Conservation Board. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Smith to approve reappointment of Don Trexel to the Veteran Affairs Commission. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Seehusen to approve appointment of Brad Cook to the Civil Service Commission. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Seehusen to approve Recorder’s monthly report of fees collected. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to approve Kenneth Lee to become a medical examiner investigator with training being paid by the State Medical Examiner. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to acknowledge receipt of James Hudson’s resignation as drainage attorney effective January 2026. The board thanks him for his years of service. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Smith to approve Darren Stearns invoice for beavertails in the amount of \$320.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Aden to approve Jacobson Westergard Invoice for JT DD 63 MOD in the amount of \$140.00. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Seehusen to Manure Management Plans: . (1) Hawkeye Six– ID# 60821 SW SW, Sec. 1 Marshall Township AMVC Hawkeye Six, LLC as owner & Jay Petersen as contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Seehusen to approved claims as presented.

Henry Adkins	Elections	8070.46	3
Alliant Energy	Utilities	54.92	1
Amazon	Supplies	3770.31	16
Dossier Systems	Software	567.06	1
Aureon	Service	18.00	1
Baker Electric	Service	76.00	1
BendPak	Shop Tools	43392.00	1
W Beneke	Expenses	338.27	2
N Birkey	Expenses	356.85	1
L Braby	Grand Jury	31.00	1
Calhoun-Burns	Engineering Service	3732.50	1
Campbell	Maint-Repair	5690.00	1
Cardio Partners	Supplies	203.40	1
CID	Supplies	662.25	2
Century Link	Service	74.45	1

Christensen Bros	Construction	24714.58	1
City-Pocahontas	Utilities	5014.98	6
Crogan Russell	Service	3550.00	1
J Crowe	Grand Jury	30.50	1
H Davis	Grand Jury	50.00	1
Doolittle Oil	Supplies	296.74	1
Doors Inc	Service	972.78	1
F Ekstam	Grand Jury	45.00	1
Electronic Special	Service	3236.61	1
Judy K Essing	Postage	10.45	1
Farm & Home	Supplies	891.48	4
D Feistner	Expenses	683.34	1
FM Controls	Service	4881.00	1
Steven M Frerk	Safety Reimb	107.07	1
S Froisland	Grand Jury	45.00	1
GFC Leasing	Lease	1124.82	1
Grow's Garbage	Service	205.00	1
GRP	Service	83.00	1
Hampton Inn & Suites	Lodging	375.05	1
Alyssa C Hamre	Expenses	406.58	1
Healthcare First	Service	116.57	1
Dereck A Hebert	Expenses	248.82	2
B Heilman	Grand Jury	50.00	1
Hilton	Lodging	257.60	1
M Hingson	Expenses	181.35	1
B Hinners	Postage	57.62	1
M Hoyt	Expenses	166.73	1
L Hudson	Grand Jury	47.00	1
Iowa Concrete Paving Assoc	Education	235.00	1
IA Med Ex	Autopsy	2118.00	1
IA Prison Ind	Service	68.40	1
ICAA	Dues	370.00	1
IDDA	Dues	80.00	1
ILEA	Service	225.00	1
IA Lakes Elec	Repairs	125.00	1
Jacks OK Tire	Tires/Parts	7168.80	1
R Jergens	Expenses	482.18	1
Jim Hawk Truck	Parts	89.88	1
Juicebox	Hosting	230.00	1
K Kerns	Grand Jury	48.00	1
D Kraft	Expenses	9.95	1
Doug Krause	Grand Jury	40.00	1
B Krips	Expenses	224.23	1
House of Print	Supplies	1131.66	1
LED Lighting	Supplies	2607.28	1
LexisNexis	Service	144.00	1
Mail Services	Service	582.17	1
Adam T Mann	Expenses	36.36	1
Martin Marietta	Materials	70915.81	1
Menards	Supplies	486.50	1
Metal Culverts	Materials	31077.00	1
K Metzger	Expenses	334.85	1
MidAm Energy	Utilities	25.49	1
Midwest Const Cons	Service	13979.90	1
MW Technology	Security Sys	19720.00	1
Midwest Wheel	Parts	380.66	1
Mid Mech Inc	Service	1850.13	1
Comm First	Parts/Materials	62.70	1
Comm First	Service	245.72	2
Kayla M Nedved	Postage	8.35	1
S Nelson	Expense	159.21	1
NENA:911	Dues	750.00	1
Netsmart	Service	1766.10	1
New Way Ford	Service	1609.77	1
H Nielsen	Expenses	384.60	2
Noah Const	Service	68146.59	2
NW Comm	Line Chg	158.99	1
NW IA YES	Service	3805.45	1
City-Palmer	Utilities	228.87	1
Phelps Uniform Specialists	Supplies	40.55	1
Pilot Rock Signs	Supplies	589.80	2
Po Co Home Care	Aides	6616.00	4
PO CO Chamber	Service	175.00	1
PO CO IT Dept	Service	339.65	2
Poca Comm Hospital	Service	2600.91	1
Poky Fiber	Service	878.29	4
Poky Sales & Serv	Repairs	611.38	1
Pro Co-Op	Fuel	1099.68	2
Pro Co-Op	Materials	32856.08	1
Provider Insights	Training	900.00	2
Bryan C Rahn	Expenses	469.56	1
ReGov	Service	165000.00	1
Road Mach	Parts/Supplies	146.66	1
E Roberts	Mileage	453.96	1
Sande Const	Services	69145.72	1
Schimberg Co	Supplies	246.21	1
SCI Comm	Service	446.14	1
Seiler Appl	Service	22.75	1
Sirchie	Supplies	40.57	1
D Sterns	Trapping	360.00	1
T-Mobile	Service	322.41	2
UMB Bank	Jail Bond Pmt	173350.00	1
US Cellular	Radios	579.59	1
Verizon	Phone	538.72	1
Vermeer	Parts	216.74	1
C Vigdal	Grand Jury	43.00	1
Vircom	Renewal	3570.00	1
WAPITI	Services	525.00	1
Winger Co	Service	35489.15	1
Woods	Supplies	48.95	1
Youth Shelter NCI	Shelter Care	465.70	1
Grand Total		845187.91	

Stephanie Henrichs, Executive Director for CAASA advised the Supervisors how money has been spent and they are asking for \$3,000.00 for FY27. The board thanked her for all they have done.

Nita Hinrickson, Auditor advised the board that we have received a check from the insurance company on the generator auto transfer switch claim that went out. Derek Essing, maintenance, will be getting it ordered soon.

Another pipe lining company was onsite and will be coming back to inspect pipes in order to give a quote.

Tate Schmeling, Engineer advised that two applicants were interviewed for the mechanic position. They would like to offer the job to Jamie Wood.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Smith to approve the hire of Jamie Wood as mechanic. Wood will be starting on December 16, 2025 at \$27.75 per hour. Ayes all, motion carried.

Schmeling then reviewed the plans for the Crooked Bridge. Seehusen asked about the size of culverts and what restrictions it may have. Matt Nedved asked, along with Richard Nedved, if they would be able to adjust to driveways into their fields if they are affected by this repair. Schmeling advised that they would make any adjustments as needed. Motion by Aden, seconded by Smith to approve DOT Crooked Bridge Plans BROS-C076 (78)-8J-76. Ayes: Aden, Smith, Stauter. Nays: Seehusen. Motion carried.

Weekly meetings: Seehusen- Insurance; Stauter- Fair Board; Smith- IDDA, Jail; Aden- IDDA Fair Board.

With no further business, motion by Aden, seconded by Smith to adjourn. Ayes all, motion carried.

At 2:00pm, the board of supervisors acting as trustees continued the public hearing for DD49 Main #2 Tile from December 2, 2025.

Aden advised he had talked to individuals and asked if they had any complaints or objections to let him know and he did not have anything.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Seehusen to repair the first 1000 feet in June or July. Ayes all, motion carried.

Louis Stauter, Vice Chairman

Nita Hinrickson, Auditor