

**Supervisors Room, Courthouse  
Pocahontas, Iowa  
June 24, 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 Siepker. Others present: Erin Sommers, Reporter, Bryan Rahn, RE/Drainage Deputy; Russ Jergens, EMA Director; Tate Schmeling, Engineer; Gary Atherton, Assist to Engineer/Drainage Clerk; Steve Nelson, Sheriff; Frank Salvatore, TBB Spraying.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes from June 17, 2025 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

Old Business: Seehusen explained the Proclamation by Gov Reynolds for the IA Bible Reading Marathon. He stated that asking permission was a courtesy. Seehusen motioned to approve allowing IA Bible Reading Marathon on the courthouse grounds. No second was received. Motion failed.

Hinrickson stated that Tate Schmeling checked into the IA Good Roads Association and didn't feel like it was anything the county needed to join.

Russ Jergens advised he talked with Jessalyn Brooks from MIDAS. He received Chapter 6 draft and the Commercial survey results. Public survey was to be sent out by June 23 and would be open for 10 days. Brooks also advised that would have the final date of the plan sent to Jergens on June 23, but has not received anything yet. Aden has a meeting with MIDAS and will check on final date.

Seehusen said there was a Zoning Workshop on June 26 and that he had received an email stating they could come to Pocahontas County and meet with the Zoning Board, Jergens and Supervisors regarding Solar Ordinance. Seehusen will forward the email to Jergens to look into.

At 10:15 a.m., the Board acting as Trustees for Drainage Ditches met telephonically with Calhoun County. Full minutes can be requested at the Auditors Office.

Frank Salvatore was present for any questions regarding invoices submitted. Gary Atherton advised that the board had decided spraying should be done every 4 years. On three of the ditches that were over the quoted price was last sprayed in 2019, 2020 and 2023. The trees in the three DD that were more than the quoted price were taller. Motion by Aden, seconded by Seehusen to pay the invoices submitted and for the three that were over the quoted price, to split the difference and pay the additional cost. Approved TBB Spraying invoices for: DD 164 - \$1,721.50; DD 22 - \$7,787.05; DD 37 - \$565.05; DD 38 - \$593.65; DD 49 - \$622.25; DD 53 - \$8,746.98; DD 57 - \$913.90; DD 61 - \$279.20; DD 62 - \$1,330.00; DD 66 - \$1,468.25. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Aden to approve Engineers Report for DD41 Branch 1 Tile. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to acknowledge receipt of DD44 waivers of Right to Hearing and acceptance of ROW purchase. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Smith to table the request to post for a Drainage Engineer/Assistant position until July 1 meeting. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to approve Fonda Bridge BRS-2642-60-76 Bid from Christiansen Bros., Inc in the amount of \$1,243,094.25 and Resolution 2025-06-#32 Accepting Bid. Ayes: Seehusen, Stauter, Smith, Aden. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Smith to approve Windstream Utility in DD permit relating to Fonda Project. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Seehusen to approve 2026 CFYP amendment for adding CHBP Grant application bridges. Ayes all, motion carried.

Tate Schmeling, Engineer advised the patchers will be starting. Working on culvert replacements.

Atherton was asked about visiting with the landowner who had planted bushes/trees in ROW. Landowner was given the letter from the Board. Atherton will talk with landowner again about his removal of the bushes in ROW and report back to the board.

Nita Hinrickson, Auditor advised the board that the water softener shelled out and will be replaced this fall. There has been discussion about replacing the waterline from the city main line into the courthouse. Derek Essing is working to put together a plan on what needs to be done and will bring to the board and request for bids.

Hinrickson said that each of the supervisors should have received an email from Dereck Hebert advising of new Ipad's for them and that they needed to return laptops and get setup on the Ipad. The Ipad's will be setup to access documents for board meeting in Sharefile instead of making copies for board meetings.

Hinrickson has attempted to reach out to Torres Construction to see when they will be starting on the project and has not had a response back.

Hinrickson will be out to the ISACA Conference the rest of the week and emailed information on the next board meeting will be delayed.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Aden to acknowledge Sierra Van Westen's 6-month employment as a full time dispatcher/jailer starting July 6, 2025. Her new rate of pay will be \$21.88/hr. plus differential. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to approve 28E Law Enforcement Agreement with the City of Rolfe. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Aden to approve Resolution #2025-06-30 for Law Enforcement Coverage with the City of Rolfe. Ayes: Seehusen, Stauter, Smith Aden. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Aden to approve 28E Law Enforcement Agreement with the City of Fonda. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to approve Resolution #2025-06-30 for Law Enforcement Coverage with the City of Fonda. Ayes: Seehusen, Stauter, Smith, Aden. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Seehusen to approve Manure Management (1) PI249 Finisher – ID# 64713 SW NW, Section 21, Des Moines Township Prestage Farms of Iowa, LLC as owner & contact person (2) Brinkman, Gus – ID# 67359 SE SE, Section 24, Roosevelt Township Gus Brinkman as owner & contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

**Motion by Aden, seconded by Seehusen to approve claims as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.**

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|--------------------------|--------------|---------|---|
| A & M Laundry            | Supplies     | 40.55   | 1 |
| P Aden                   | Service      | 300.00  | 1 |
| L Adson                  | Expenses     | 533.95  | 1 |
| Alliant Energy           | Utilities    | 214.67  | 1 |
| Amazon                   | Supplies     | 1027.56 | 6 |
| Holm's Radiator          | Parts        | 684.00  | 1 |
| T Anderson               | Service      | 200.00  | 1 |
| AP Air Inc               | Parts        | 349.00  | 1 |
| Arnold Motor             | Parts        | 25.78   | 1 |
| Bauer Built              | Materials    | 1785.28 | 1 |
| Bennett Recycling        | Garbage      | 550.00  | 1 |
| N Birkey                 | Expenses     | 391.95  | 1 |
| B H Energy               | Natural Gas  | 1588.85 | 5 |
| Calhoun Co PH            | Services     | 138.00  | 1 |
| Cal Co ECA               | Utilities    | 10.50   | 1 |
| CDW                      | Renewal      | 813.15  | 1 |
| CID                      | Supplies     | 304.00  | 1 |
| Christensen Bros         | Construction | 855.54  | 1 |
| City-Pocahontas          | Utilities    | 2661.12 | 4 |
| J Conlin                 | Expenses     | 45.21   | 1 |
| Co Binders               | Service      | 3577.64 | 1 |
| O Cressler               | Expenses     | 18.72   | 1 |
| Crestline Spec           | Supplies     | 1263.95 | 2 |
| M Crosgrove              | Parts        | 149.88  | 1 |
| Draperies Plus           | Service      | 772.00  | 1 |
| Mary E Eastman           | Supplies     | 54.30   | 1 |
| Judy K Essing            | Postage      | 5.58    | 1 |
| Farm & Home              | Supplies     | 132.50  | 1 |
| City-Fonda               | Utilities    | 189.56  | 1 |
| Gordon Flesch            | Lease        | 345.50  | 1 |
| GRP                      | Service      | 83.00   | 1 |
| Haley Equip              | Materials    | 102.20  | 1 |
| Hallett Materials        | Rock         | 1987.25 | 1 |
| Alyssa C Hamre           | Expenses     | 525.33  | 1 |
| Healthcare First         | Service      | 116.57  | 1 |
| Derek A Hebert           | Expenses     | 420.40  | 1 |
| M Hingson                | Expenses     | 248.04  | 1 |
| B Hinners                | Postage      | 10.10   | 1 |
| N Hinrickson             | Expenses     | 500.64  | 2 |
| M Hoyt                   | Expenses     | 308.30  | 1 |
| IADPS                    | Service      | 2913.00 | 1 |
| IA Prison Ind            | Materials    | 1120.80 | 1 |
| IDDA                     | Dues         | 9840.00 | 1 |
| IA Lakes Elec            | Electricity  | 986.00  | 3 |
| IPAC                     | Dues         | 3000.00 | 1 |
| ISAC                     | Training     | 810.00  | 4 |
| ISACA                    | Training     | 550.00  | 1 |
| I & S Group              | Services     | 6000.00 | 1 |
| ITsavvy LLC              | Service      | 4540.00 | 1 |
| Jack's Uniform           | Uniform      | 256.79  | 1 |
| Jacks OK Tire            | Materials    | 3933.24 | 1 |
| Johnston Auto            | Materials    | 309.96  | 1 |
| Krueger Survey           | Services     | 900.00  | 1 |
| House of Print           | Supplies     | 42.50   | 1 |
| Laurens Plumbing         | Supplies     | 115.00  | 1 |
| Linn Co Aud              | Service      | 503.66  | 1 |
| MJ Litwiller             | Expenses     | 259.99  | 1 |
| Longnecker Homestead LLC | ROW          | 5900.00 | 1 |
| Machine Shop             | Parts        | 97.05   | 1 |
| Machine Shop             | Supplies     | 15.66   | 1 |
| Martin Marietta          | Rock         | 1460.89 | 2 |
| Tiffany M McClurg        | Supplies     | 91.99   | 1 |
| MidAm Energy             | Electricity  | 69.93   | 1 |
| MGB                      | Service      | 125.00  | 1 |
| MW Technology            | Security Sys | 2630.81 | 2 |
| Murphy Tractor           | Parts        | 602.51  | 1 |
| Myron Corp               | Supplies     | 287.52  | 1 |
| Comm First               | Materials    | 74.39   | 1 |

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| New Way Ford                   | Service             | 182.94    | 1 |
| Office Elements                | Fixtures            | 325.00    | 1 |
| Office Elements                | Supplies            | 330.07    | 2 |
| Palmer Mutual                  | Line Chg            | 164.96    | 1 |
| Panoramic                      | Software            | 495.00    | 2 |
| Pilot Rock Signs               | Supplies            | 130.00    | 1 |
| Po Co Home Care                | Aides               | 5544.00   | 2 |
| Po Co Solid Waste              | Rural Waste         | 11543.48  | 1 |
| Pocahontas County Recorder Cat | Recording ROW       | 24.00     | 1 |
| PO CO Chamber                  | Service             | 50.00     | 1 |
| PO CO IT Dept                  | Service             | 196.27    | 3 |
| Postmaster                     | Postage             | 438.00    | 3 |
| Poca Comm Hospital             | Service             | 4868.95   | 3 |
| Poky Equip                     | Supplies            | 131.62    | 1 |
| Powers Funeral                 | Service             | 714.85    | 1 |
| Pro Co-Op                      | Dust Control        | 5440.00   | 1 |
| Pro Co-Op                      | Fuel                | 1631.28   | 3 |
| POS                            | Supplies            | 230.83    | 1 |
| Provider Insights              | Training            | 300.00    | 1 |
| Wyatt C Rahn                   | Expenses            | 164.45    | 1 |
| Ray O'Herron                   | Supplies            | 129.75    | 1 |
| Ray's Plumbing                 | Service             | 158.62    | 1 |
| Record Dem                     | Tax Sale            | 1448.00   | 1 |
| Rehab Visions                  | Service             | 1845.98   | 1 |
| B Reis                         | Expenses            | 10.25     | 1 |
| Reserve Acct                   | Postage             | 5200.00   | 1 |
| Rolfe Flower Bin               | Landscape           | 452.50    | 1 |
| City-Rolfe                     | Utilities           | 62.94     | 1 |
| IA SOS                         | NCOA                | 105.71    | 1 |
| K Seiler                       | Expenses            | 10.10     | 1 |
| L Staute                       | Expenses            | 556.92    | 1 |
| SL Honda                       | Equip               | 16135.00  | 1 |
| Stryker                        | Service             | 552.00    | 1 |
| Terracon                       | Inspection Services | 4950.00   | 1 |
| Thomas Forensic                | Service             | 1312.50   | 1 |
| Vermeer                        | Equipment           | 2500.00   | 1 |
| Vial Const                     | Service             | 1067.50   | 1 |
| K Wagner                       | Expenses            | 952.37    | 1 |
| Laura M Williams               | Expenses            | 381.84    | 1 |
| Woods                          | Supplies            | 41.45     | 2 |
| Ziegler                        | Parts               | 16022.72  | 1 |
| Grand Total                    |                     | 157569.11 |   |

Weekly meetings: Seehusen- ROW, Drainage Concerns; Staute- Fair Board, YES; Siepker-; Smith- Jail, Public Health and Drainage Concerns; Aden- none.

With no further business, motion by Smith seconded by Seehusen to declare the meeting adjourned. Ayes all, motion carried.

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Louis Staute, Vice Chairman

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Nita Hinrickson, Auditor