

**Supervisors Room, Courthouse  
Pocahontas, Iowa  
July 15, 2025**

The Board of Supervisors of Pocahontas County, Iowa, met for a regular session pursuant to adjournment. Members present: Chairman, Clarence Siepker; Supervisors, Peter Seehusen, Louis Stauter, Kyle Smith, Brent Aden; Nita Hinrickson, Auditor. Others present: Erin Sommers, Reporter; Gary Atherton, Assist. to Engineer; Bryan Rahn, Real Estate and Drainage Deputy; Chad Cleveland, LMPC.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes from July 8, 2025 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

Old Business: There has been no update on MIDAS Comprehensive Plan.

Al Kakacek was not able to make it, but he talked to Gary Atherton. Kakacek told Atherton that he will move the bushes in the fall. Regarding the cleanout of culvert, Atherton recommended Luft & Son’s to reimburse Kakacek for work completed and have Luft and Son’s replace with the correct pipe that the County has.

Chad Cleveland, Laurens Municipal Power & Communications presented a proposal from the LMPC Board to purchase county land they are currently leasing. If the County approves the proposal, LMPC will move forward with contacting attorneys.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden to approve moving forward with the possible purchase of land by LMPC that they currently occupy. Ayes all, motion carried.

Tate Schmeling, Engineer gave the following updates to the Supervisors: 2/3 of a mile of base stabilization has been applied, the other 1/3 mile had a culvert being worked on before applying the stabilization. Patchers have moved out of the county and will be back in about three weeks. Crack Sealers are starting this week. All paperwork has been signed for the Fonda Bridge work.

Schmeling was asked who was spraying trees in the ditches. Tate advised that Brian Reis from Conservation has contracted with a company to spray all paved road ditches this year and will be working on gravel ditches. It is the understanding that the trees will be sprayed and then cut.

Stauter feels that secondary roads should be in charge, have the grater operator mark the bad spots.

Nita Hinrickson, Auditor advised that she received an email from the mayor of Rolfe requesting verbiage change in section 4. Hinrickson talked with Steve Nelson, Sheriff and had a conference call with the mayor and Nelson made a slight change in verbiage. Hinrickson was advised that the 28E Agreement was signed at the council meeting Monday night but has not received a copy. The agreement will need to be resigned by the Chairman when received.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Stauter to approve Treasurer’s quarterly report. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Seehusen to acknowledge Sheriff’s Department hire of Renee M. Chism as PT Jailer, as needed, at \$21.88 per hour, plus shift differential. Ayes all, motion carried. Previous hire got a full-time job.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Aden to approve Manure Management (1) Tukker Dairies – ID# 65284 (Construction) NE SE, Section 33, Powhatan Township Johan Koezen as owner & Jolanda Koezen contact person (2) Lenz Poultry Inc. – ID# 58877 SE SW, Sec. 4 Bellville Township Philip Lenz as owner & contact person (3) Shawn & Delmar Burke – ID# 58173 SE, Section 32, Colfax Township Delmar & Shawn Burke as owners & Twin Lakes Environmental Services, LLC as contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Weekly meetings: Seehusen- Historical Society, Safety; Stauter- YES; Siepker-LMPC; Smith- Jail, Weed Concerns, Safety; Aden- none.

Seehusen handed out Pocahontas County Historical Society Museum Pamphlets.

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

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Clarence Siepker, Chairman

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Nita Hinrickson, Auditor