

**Supervisors Room, Courthouse  
Pocahontas, Iowa  
September 30, 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; Katie Halligan; Tate Schmeling, Engineer; John Runneberg, Maintenance Superintendent.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden to approve the minutes from September 23, 2025 as presented. Ayes all, motion carried.

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

MIDAS comprehensive plan hasn’t been received yet. MIDAS is working with the committee on a final item. Aden advised it was a map and they believe it is complete.

Tate Schmeling, Engineer provided IDOT plans from Humboldt County regarding the P19 County Line Project to begin in 2026. Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to approve final plans for the P19 County Line Project. Ayes all, motion carried.

Schmeling, along with John Runneberg, discussed shop personnel due to resignation. It was determined to not fill the shop foreman position and move one mechanic to lead mechanic. Runneberg will try this for six weeks to two months and will come back to the board to evaluate how it is going.

Schmeling was asked about the Drainage Engineer position and he stated it was slow. He did receive 3 applications thru Indeed but only one is qualified.

Nita Hinrickson, Auditor followed up with the board on proposed new wage matrix. After discussion, the board only wants to use the starting wage portion of the wage matrix. BOS will determine if an increase for starting wage is needed each year.

Hinrickson reported that there has been a couple of fraudulent warrants that the bank received and we are in the process of switching accounts. Oct. 7 at 11:00 am will be a public hearing for the land purchase. Tri-County Drainage Meeting will be Oct. 14 at 9:45 am.

Due to Renee Von Bokern retiring at the end of the year, Hinrickson has reached out to three firms for HR consulting and negotiations and is waiting for the third proposal. AgriVia sent an example of a project they were working on.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Stauter to acknowledge receipt of thank you from Varina Library. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Seehusen, to re-appoint Robin Moore and Sherri Wagner to the Planning & Zoning Commission and Sherri Wagner and Randy Hopkins to the Zoning Board Adjustment. Ayes all, motion carried. Both positions are for a 5-year term, expiring June 30, 2030. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Stauter to accept EMC’s insurance payout for the totaled truck. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Seehusen, seconded by Smith to approve ReGov’s Data Protection & Non-Disclosure Agreement. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Stauter, seconded by Aden to approve Secondary Roads Invoice in the amount of \$1,003.20 for JT 9-13 Br 6 Tile material for Luft & Son’s. Ayes all, motion carried.

Motion by Aden, seconded by Seehusen to approve Manure Management Plans: (1) Happy Pigs #2 – ID# 62477 NE NE, Sec. 26 Fairfield Township, Buena Vista County Happy Pigs 2, LLC as owner & Miguel Deprann contact (2) Grossnickle Feedlot – ID# 64408 SW SW, Sec. 36 Booth Township, PA County Jeff Grossnickle as owner & contact person. Ayes all, motion carried.

Weekly meetings: Seehusen- CFR; Stauter- none; Siepker- UDSM; Smith- Open Meeting Training, Drainage, Weed Concerns; Aden- Economic Dev, MIDAS.

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

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Clarence Siepker, Chairman

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Nita Hinrickson, Auditor