

April 22, 2025 9:00 a.m.

The Jones County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Present Chairman Schlarmann, Supervisors Hall, Oswald, Swisher, and Zirkelbach.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Hall to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2025 meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Oswald to approve claims #2504-0130 through #2504-0362. All aye. Motion carried.

The Auditor met with the Board for the two public hearings listed below, and for the various motions to follow. The Auditor also gave an update on the Courthouse 1st floor bathroom remodel. Due to some touch-ups need on the tile and floor work, the bathroom will not be ready for use by the end of April.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Oswald to open the public hearing at 9:01 a.m. to receive comments and questions on the proposed Courthouse roof replacement project. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, Schlarmann aye. Motion carried.

The Auditor explained the roof replacement project. The current roof is a twenty year roof and was put on in 2000. The new proposed roof project consists of removal of approximately 9,528 square feet of existing roof system followed by installation of a new 90mil EPDM roof system with a thirty year life.

Citizen, Ned Rohwedder, asked if the lower roofs were also in the proposal and if anyone had researched a metal roofing system.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to close the public hearing at 9:08 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Hall to approve the roof specifications and design as prepared by Shive-Hattery Architects and Engineering, and to set a bid opening date of May 13, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. All aye. Motion carried. [2025-060]

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to open the public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Jones County Budget at 9:08 a.m. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, Schlarmann aye. Motion carried.

Eight citizens were physically present for the hearing however an unknown number of persons were viewing the hearing remotely by internet or audio access. Two citizens had questions on the budget. Citizen, Sherrie Thurston, asked about the funds for grant matches within the secondary road department. Citizen, Linda Stickle, asked what function that the public safety facility was budgeted in.

The County Auditor provided a summary of the proposed budget, including tax rates, the major sources of revenues and major expenditure functions, included in the proposed budget.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to close the public hearing at 9:33 a.m. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, Schlarmann aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Oswald introduced the following FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARY RESOLUTION, and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Hall. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, Schlarmann aye, whereupon the Chairman declared the resolution duly passed and adopted.

FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026
ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Jones County Board of Supervisors met and discussed elected official wages during their meetings on February 11, 2025 and February 28, 2025, and used an elected official comparable method using comparables from the Iowa State Association of Counties, [2025-061]

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors made the following salary recommendations for budgetary purposes at their February 28, 2025 meeting for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025:

COUNTY OFFICIAL	CURRENT SALARY	PROPOSED INCREASE		RECOMMENDED ANNUAL COMPENSATION
Attorney	\$133,881.50	6.5%	\$8,702.30	\$142,583.80
Sheriff	\$137,388.17	4%	\$5,495.53	\$142,883.70
Auditor	\$84,966.39	5%	\$4,248.32	\$89,214.71
Treasurer	\$83,382.33	4%	\$3,335.29	\$86,717.62
Recorder	\$80,429.76	5%	\$4,021.49	\$84,451.25
Supervisors	\$34,552.66	3%	\$1,036.58	\$35,589.24

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Jones County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the above salary increases noted for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025.

Supervisor Hall introduced the following FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 ADOPTION OF BUDGET and CERTIFICATION OF TAXES RESOLUTION, and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Oswald. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, Schlarmann aye, whereupon the Chairman declared the resolution duly passed and adopted.

**FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 ADOPTION OF BUDGET
& CERTIFICATION OF TAXES RESOLUTION**

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Jones County Board of Supervisors that the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Jones County proposed budget and tax levies be adopted as published. Said budget will reflect:

- total expenditures of \$23,540,567 (net of interfund transfers)
- total revenues of \$20,714,347 (including taxes, but net of interfund transfers)
- a county-wide tax levy of \$8,188,085 (\$8,055,030 property tax plus \$133,055 utility replacement tax) against a \$1,331,067,006 valuation (including gas and electric utilities) which produces a rate per \$1,000 of \$6.15152; said county-wide tax levy does not include a debt service levy
- a rural tax levy of \$3,348,627 (\$3,300,889 property tax plus \$47,738 utility replacement tax) against a \$956,750,464 valuation (including gas and electric utilities) which produces a rate per \$1,000 of \$3.50000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board has designated portions of the projected June 30, 2025 unreserved fund balance as follows:

- General Basic Fund – for the purposes of county facility improvements, replacements, additions, and capital repairs, major software upgrades, and equipment which cannot be

absorbed in the general operating budget of any department, all subject to Board approval, \$35,000 will be added in fiscal 2026 to the previously designated balance for said purposes. Amounts so designated may be subsequently reduced by the amounts spent for those purposes, as authorized by the Board, during the fiscal year. The amount of unused funds accumulated for those purposes at June 30 shall be established by resolution as committed fund balance.

- General Supplemental Fund – \$20,000 will be added to a fund for future voting equipment replacement. The amount of unused funds accumulated for those purposes at June 30 shall be established by resolution as committed fund balance.
- Secondary Road Fund – unused local option sales tax designated per ballot measure for roads and bridges. The amount of unused funds accumulated for those purposes at June 30 shall be established by resolution as committed funds within the restricted Secondary Road Fund.
- These designations of committed and restricted fund balances indicate that Jones County prefers to use available financial resources for the specific purposes set forth above, and although committed, the funds are to remain an integral part of the spendable or appropriable resources of Jones County for cash flow purposes. [2025-062]

Moved by Oswald seconded by Swisher to approve fireworks permit for Timothy Winders for occasional displays at 19472 Lead Mine Rd., Anamosa for the time period of April 9, 2025 through April 9, 2026 with the applicant to notify the Anamosa Fire Department and the Jones County Sheriff Department prior to setting off fireworks display. All aye. Motion carried. [2025-063]

Moved by Swisher seconded by Zirkelbach to void check #196820, in the amount of \$6,877.50, dated April 8, 2025, made payable to Nick's Construction Etc. LLC; and corresponding claim #25040128, submitted by the Landfill due to incorrect invoices submitted. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Hall to approve, and place on file, the Auditor's Reports of Fees Collected for the quarter ending March 31, 2025. All aye. Motion carried. [2025-064]

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Oswald to make of record the Conservation Board's appointment of the following seasonal employees Rebeccas Close at \$16.53 per hour, effective May 5, 2025 and Barbara Kooken at \$15.84 per hour, effective May 7, 2025. All aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Swisher introduced the following 2024/2025 INTERFUND TRANSFER RESOLUTION #24/25-1 and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Zirkelbach. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, Schlarmann aye, whereupon the Chairman declared the resolution passed and adopted.

2024/2025 INTERFUND TRANSFER RESOLUTION #24/25-1

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Jones County Board of Supervisors that the County Auditor is hereby directed to transfer \$1,000,000 from the Secondary Road Option Tax Fund to the Secondary Road Fund for expenses associated with project No. LFM-C-932—7X-53, a grading project on 215th Ave. (the construction for said project is in the amount of \$936,888), project No. M-1124, a slide repair project on Old Cass Road (the construction for said project is in the amount

of \$38,903), project no. M-0625, a crack sealing project on various roads (the construction for said project is in the amount of \$82,485), project no. M-0725, an HMA overlay project on St. Paul Street (the construction for said project is in the amount of \$28,739), project no. M-0226, contract rock on various county roads (the amount of \$400,000); additional funds may be transferred from the Secondary Road Option Tax Fund at a future date for said projects.

Supervisor Oswald introduced the following 2024-2025 INTERFUND TRANSFER RESOLUTION #24/25-2 and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Hall. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, Schlarmann aye, whereupon the Chairman declared the resolution passed and adopted.

2024/2025 INTERFUND TRANSFER RESOLUTION #24/25-2

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Jones County Board of Supervisors that the County Auditor is hereby directed to transfer \$434,936.72 from the ARPA Fund to the General Basic Fund for wages paid from January 1, 2025 through March 31, 2025 for various positions in the following departments: Board of Supervisors, Sheriff, General Services, and Information Technology.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Hall to approve the American Rescue Plan Act annual report showing a total of \$4,017,042 of total obligations and \$2,507,342.34 of total expenditures. All aye. Motion carried.

The Land Use Administrator met with the Board to discuss nuisance ordinance violations at five individual properties.

Moved by Hall seconded by Swisher to authorize the Land Use Administrator to issue a thirty-day extension for a nuisance abatement to Harry and Ronda Dunfee for property located at 4086 Main St., Oxford Mills. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to authorize the Land Use Administrator to issue a thirty-day extension for a nuisance abatement to Amanda Dirks for property located at 10664 1st St., Center Junction. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to set a public hearing at 9:15 a.m. on May 6, 2025 to review violations of the Jones County Nuisance Ordinance on property owned by Andrew Stastny Sr. at 17205 E23 County Home Road, Anamosa and to send a certified letter notifying the property owner of the public hearing. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Swisher to authorize the Land Use Administrator to issue a thirty-day extension for a nuisance abatement to Roxanne Rundle for property located at 8346 Slide Rock Road., Anamosa. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Zirkelbach to authorize the Land Use Administrator to issue a formal notice of violation of the Jones County Zoning Ordinance to Gina Durgin and Trevor Walt for a property located at 23298 Fish House Road, Anamosa, and providing thirty days to become compliant with the zoning ordinance or to request a hearing before the Board of Supervisors. All aye. Motion carried

The Engineer met with the Board for approval of HMA overlay projects, to modify the five year road plan, and to give an update on contract rock, a request to state legislators to have a separate budget line item showing property tax dollars levied for Secondary Roads, and to report on the purchase of a used truck from the Iowa DOT.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Hall to approve a pre-construction agreement with the City of Cascade for an HMA overlay project on Riverview Road, Cascade. All aye. Motion carried. [2025-065]

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Swisher to approve a bid notice and set a bid letting date of May 27, 2025 at 9:30 a.m., for project M-0626, an HMA overlay project on Riverview Road. All aye. Motion carried. [2025-066]

Moved by Hall seconded by Swisher to approve a bid notice and set a bid letting date of May 27, 2025 at 9:30 a.m., for projects M-0726 and M-0826, these tied projects are for HMA overlays part of Shaw Road outside of Anamosa and part of River Road outside of Monticello. All aye. Motion carried. [2025-067, 2025-068]

Supervisor Swisher introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Zirkelbach. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, Schlarmann aye, whereupon the Chairman declared the resolution passed and adopted.

2026 County Five Year Program Resolution 0.1

Unforeseen circumstances have arisen since adoption of the approved Secondary Road Five Year Program and previous revisions, requiring changes to the sequence, funding, and timing of the proposed work plan.

The Board of Supervisors of Jones County, Iowa, in accordance with Iowa Code section 309.22, initiates and recommends modification of the following project(s) in the accomplishment year (State Fiscal Year 2026), for approval by the Iowa Department of Transportation (Iowa DOT), per Iowa Code 309.23 and Iowa DOT Instructional Memorandum 2.050.

The following projects shall be ADDED to the Program's Accomplishment year:

Project Number Name Project ID	Project Location Description of Work	AADT Length Bridge ID	Type of Work Fund	Total
BROS-C053(102)--5F-53C-947 57757	On STONE CITY RD, Over CROW CREEK, S6 T84N R04W	300 miles 207700	332 Box Culverts FA	\$750,000

The Board members gave brief updates on past and future committee meetings.

During the elected official comment period, the Treasurer introduced new deputy treasurer, Candice Williams.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Swisher to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Attest: Whitney Hein, Auditor

John Schlarmann, Chairman