

September 9, 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 Oswald seconded by Hall to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2025 meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Zirkelbach to approve claims #2509-0001 through #2509-0112. All aye. Motion carried.

The Auditor met with the Board for the various items as noted in the motions below, to give an update on the Courthouse bathroom remodel project, and to give an update on the Courthouse roof replacement project.

The Board discussed county owned property in Section 18 of Rome Township and discussed ideas on how to solve the property line issue with the adjoining owner. No action was taken.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Hall to approve a Class C Retail Alcohol License, with Outdoor Service privileges, for Three Generations LLC, doing business as The Hillside Sports Bar and Grill, 21592 US Hwy 151 Business, Monticello, to be effective October 1, 2025. All aye. Motion carried. [2025-154]

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Swisher to void check #197241 in the amount of \$9.83, dated May 20, 2025, made payable to Derek Denniston; and corresponding claim #2505-0294, submitted by the Sheriff Department with reason being that the check was lost or never received. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Zirkelbach to approve contract with Chosen Valley Testing, Inc for special inspection and construction material testing services related to the Public Safety Facility with an estimated cost of \$10,945.00. All aye. Motion carried. [2025-155]

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to approve, and place on file, the Clerk's Report of Fees Collected for the month ending August 31, 2025. All aye. Motion carried. [2025-156]

Kellie Arduser, Aflac, met with the Board to discuss providing insurance education meetings with county employees.

The Engineer and Assistant to the Engineer met with the Board for a public hearing regarding the Landis Bridge project, to give an update on the County Road X31 paving project, and for an interfund transfer from the Secondary Road fund to the Rural Services fund.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to open the public hearing at 9:31 a.m. on the Landis Road bridge project on the intent to fund a site-specific project and to acquire property rights for said project. All aye. Motion carried.

The Engineer and Assistant to the Engineer explained the project, grant funding for the project, the letting process, and changes to the roadway leading up to the bridge. There were fourteen citizens present in-person for the public hearing and numerous participants via ZOOM. Several citizens in the room had concerns about eminent domain, road name changes, and questions about the status of the old bridge being torn out. One citizen did state that they are in favor of the new bridge and straightening the road out.

Moved by Oswald seconded by Zirkelbach to close the public hearing at 10:29 a.m. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, Schlarmann aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Swisher introduced the following 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 passed and adopted.

RESOLUTION TO FUND THE FINAL SITE-SPECIFIC DESIGN AND FOR THE
AUTHORITY TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY BY EMINENT DOMAIN FOR THE PUBLIC
IMPROVEMENT ON LANDIS ROAD

Whereas, this being the date and time set for a hearing on a proposal to fund the final site-specific design and for the authority to acquire property by eminent domain for the public improvement on Landis Road; and

Whereas, the Board has held a public hearing declaring the intent to fund the site-specific design, to make the final selection of the route, and to acquire or condemn, if necessary, all or a portion of the property or an interest in the property for the public improvement on Landis Road for a new bridge over the Wapsipinicon River that will be approximately 900 feet downstream on an alternate roadway alignment that will connect with 95th street.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Jones County Board that in accordance with the Code of Iowa, Chapter 6B, the acquiring agency shall find said site-specific public improvement and the Jones County Engineer's Office is authorized to acquire property by eminent domain, if necessary. [2025-157]

Supervisor Hall introduced the following 2025/2026 INTERFUND TRANSFER RESOLUTION #25/26-1 and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Swisher. On roll call vote: Zirkelbach aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Oswald aye, Schlarmann aye, whereupon the Chairman declared the resolution passed and adopted.

2025/2026 INTERFUND TRANSFER RESOLUTION #25/26-1

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Jones County Board of Supervisors that the County Auditor is hereby directed to transfer \$156.00 from the Secondary Road Fund to the Rural Services Fund for a refund due to the FY 24/25 transfer being \$156.00 over the maximum transfer allowed per Iowa Code.

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

Moved by Swisher seconded by Hall to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Attest: Whitney Hein, Auditor

John Schlarmann, Chairman