

January 20, 2026 9:00 a.m.

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

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Hall to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2026 meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Schlarmann to approve payroll for the period ending January 11, 2026, as certified by the department heads. All aye. Motion carried.

The Board met with the following individuals and entities to discuss FY27 budget requests and receive updates on programs. Matt Majeski met with the Board on behalf of HACAP to update the Board on current programs and to request \$32,357 for FY27.

The Auditor met with the Board for the various items as noted in the motions below and to give an update on the Public Safety Facility project.

Moved by Schlarmann seconded by Hall to void check #200021 in the amount of \$2,471.80, dated January 13, 2026, made payable to Mi-T-M Equipment; and corresponding claim #2601-0257, submitted by the Landfill and the check needs to be re-issued in the amount of \$2,471.78. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Zirkelbach to note a correction to the motion previously passed on December 9, 2025 for the starting wage rate for full-time jail officers, Morgan Strait and Kimberly Ricke, citing that the starting wage rate is \$21.85 per hour, not \$21.58 per hour. All aye. Motion carried.

The Land Use Administrator met with the Board for the final reading of ordinance 2026-01.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Zirkelbach to approve the third and final consideration of Jones County, Iowa Ordinance 2026-01, an ordinance amending CHAPTER 3, JONES COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE of TITLE VI – PROPERTY & LAND USE, ARTICLE VI NON-CONFORMING USES. On roll call vote: Schlarmann aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Zirkelbach aye, Oswald aye, where upon the Chairman declared the final consideration approved, and the ordinance adopted.

JONES COUNTY IOWA ORDINANCE 2026-01

An ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the County of Jones, State of Iowa.

Be it enacted by the Board of Supervisors of Jones County; Iowa as follows:

Section 1: The purpose of this ordinance is to amend CHAPTER 3, JONES COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE OF VI- PROPERTY & LAND USE by amending Chapter 3, Article VI, Non-Conforming Uses by adding Section 3. Non- Conforming Parcel eligibility review Non-conforming parcels located within the Agricultural Zoning District containing two (2) acres or more may be reviewed by the Land Use Administrator to determine whether said parcels meet the criteria to be designated as buildable parcels.

Section 2: The Chapter will be amended as follows:

ARTICLE VI NON-CONFORMING USES

SECTION 1. NON-CONFORMING USE PROVISIONS

This Ordinance recognizes non-conforming uses of the land which were established and lawful prior to the adoption of this Ordinance. Said non-conforming uses are permitted to continue until their removal or abandonment. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be deemed to require a change in the plans, construction, or designated use of any building, which was lawfully under construction at the effective date of adoption of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. CHANGES IN NON-CONFORMING USE

The following instances shall constitute a change in a non-conforming use that will require consideration by the Board of Adjustment and the issuance of a variance permit under [Article XXV](#) of this Ordinance:

- A. The enlargement or extension of a non-conforming use of land to occupy additional lots or parcels beyond the lot or parcel occupied by the use at the time of adoption of this Ordinance.
- B. A re-establishment of a use after more than one year has passed from the date the non-conforming use of the land has ceased or been discontinued, or the establishment of any new use.
- C. A non-conforming use with any loss due to an act of God may be re-established within one year of the loss without a variance. The re-established use shall not be enlarged or extended beyond the original scope before the loss.

These changes in land use must be approved by the Board of Adjustment under [Article XXIV](#) of this Ordinance, unless such use is a principal permitted use of the applicable District.

Section 3. Non- Conforming Parcel eligibility review

Non-conforming parcels located within the Agricultural Zoning District containing two (2) acres or more may be reviewed by the Land Use Administrator to determine whether said parcels meet the criteria to be designated as buildable parcels. Such determination shall be made in accordance with applicable provisions of this Ordinance and any other relevant regulations governing nonconforming lots and development standards.

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

During the Elected Official comment period, Hein talked about the afternoon budget session.

The Board recessed from 9:24 a.m. to 9:35 a.m.

The Board met with the following departments to discuss FY27 budget requests.

The Auditor met with the Board to present budgets for the Board of Supervisors, Court Activities, Juvenile Court Services, Medical Examiner, Townships, Economic Development Commission, Libraries, Historic Preservation/Tourism, Human Services, and Fairs.

The Recorder met with the Board to present the Recorder departmental budget.

The Conservation Director met with the Board to present budgets for the Conservation Department including conservation capital projects and projects funded by derecho funds.

The County Attorney met with the Board to present the Attorney departmental budget.

The GIS Coordinator met with the Board to present the GIS departmental budget.

The Auditor and Land Use Administrator/Community Services Coordinator met with the Board to present budgets for the Land Use departmental budget and the General Services departmental budget.

The Senior Dining Director met with the Board to present the Senior Dining departmental budget.

Moved by Schlarmann seconded by Swisher to adjourn the meeting at 2:11 p.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Attest: Whitney Hein, Auditor

Joe Oswald, Chairman