

April 14, 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 Hall seconded by Swisher to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2026. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Schlarmann seconded by Zirkelbach to approve payroll for the period ending April 5, 2026, as certified by the department heads. All aye. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Swisher seconded by Zirkelbach to approve the Clerk's Report of Fees collected for the month ending March 31, 2026. All aye. Motion carried. [2026-050]

Moved by Hall seconded by Schlarmann to approve the Recorder's, Sheriff's, and Auditor's Report of Fees collected for quarter ending March 31, 2026. All aye. Motion carried. [2026-051, 2026-052, 2026-053]

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Hall to acknowledge a receipt of a manure management plan from Matt Hosch for a facility located in Section 2 of Richland township. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Schlarmann seconded by Zirkelbach to authorize the Chairman to sign a letter to the Iowa Department of Human Services requesting confirmation of the eligibility for suspension of property taxes, per Iowa Code Section 427.9, for Rose Farnum, for property located in Oxford Junction, Jones County, Iowa (OXJCO 1622101004) and for Loras J. Simon, for property located in Section 11 of Washington Township (WASDB 0411200010, 0411200011, 0412100005). All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Schlarmann seconded by Hall to appoint Tara Brighton, Monticello, to fill a vacancy on the Board of Health for a term expiring December 31, 2027.

Moved by Swisher seconded by Zirkelbach to establish the premium rates for the employee health insurance program for coverage effective July 1, 2026, as recommended by Wellmark Blue Cross & BlueShield, a \$750 deductible option at \$1008.37 for a single plan and \$2,475.93 for a family plan, a \$1,500 deductible option at \$949.76 for a single plan and \$2,329.39 for a family plan, and a \$3,000 deductible option at \$850.37 for a single plan and \$2,080.93 for a family plan, with employee and employer cost sharing ratios as follows: The County will pay \$923.37 of the monthly single employee premium and \$2,150.93 of the monthly family employee premium for each permanent full-time employee eligible for the County provided group medical health insurance and taking the \$750 deductible coverage. The County will pay \$899.76 of the monthly single employee premium and \$2,079.39 of the monthly family employee premium for each permanent full-time employee eligible for the County provided group medical health insurance and taking the \$1,500 deductible coverage. The County will pay \$825.37 of the monthly single employee premium and \$1,880.93 of the monthly family employee premium for each permanent full-time employee eligible for the County provided group medical health insurance and taking the \$3,000 deductible coverage. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Schlarmann seconded by Zirkelbach to deny the remote authorization request from the GIS Coordinator and cited that if emergency access is needed, the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Board needs to be contacted prior to authorization being granted. All aye. Motion carried.

The Land Use Administrator met with the Board to discuss the following nuisance ordinance violations.

Moved by Hall seconded by Schlarmann to set a public hearing at 9:15 a.m. on April 28, 2026, to review violations of the Jones County Nuisance Ordinance on property located within Montiview Trailer Court, 21664 Bus. Hwy 151, Monticello, Lots 12 and 15. All aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Swisher to issue a 60-day extension to a formal notice of violation of the Jones County Nuisance Ordinance to Anna and Ethan Oneal for a property located at 15913 Hwy 136, Onslow, citing that progress is being made and cleanup needs to continue before being considered abated. All aye. Motion carried.

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

During the elected official comment period, the Treasurer introduced new Deputy Treasurer, Josaline Snyder, to the Board.

Moved by Schlarmann seconded by Zirkelbach to go into closed session at 9:38 a.m. per Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1)c to discuss pending litigation. On roll call vote: Schlarmann aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Zirkelbach aye, Oswald aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Zirkelbach seconded by Hall to exit closed session at 9:57 a.m. On roll call vote: Schlarmann aye, Hall aye, Swisher aye, Zirkelbach aye, Oswald aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Hall seconded by Schlarmann to adjourn the meeting at 9:58 a.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Attest: Whitney Hein, Auditor

Joe Oswald, Chairman