

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

April 14th 2025

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The Board of Supervisors met at 8:30AM on Monday, April 14th, 2025, at the Franklin County Courthouse with Board members Lukensmeyer, McVicker, and Vanness present.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve the regular minutes from 4/7/2025. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment & Board Committee Updates: McVicker attended an Iowa Utility commission hearing pertaining to Iowa State Power & Light (Aliant). They are considering putting a battery farm next to the substation on 170th street west of Latimer. He also attended Northeast Iowa Workforce Development. Lukensmeyer attended Franklin County Tourism.

Jay Waddingham, Secondary Roads Engineer, met with the Supervisors to provide them an update on his department.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve a resolution adopting the Iowa DOT Secondary Road Budget & Five-Year Secondary Roads Construction Program. The resolution reads in full:

RESOLUTION #2026-21

ADOPTING IOWA DOT SECONDARY ROAD BUDGET AND FIVE-YEAR SECONDARY ROADS CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

WHEREAS The Iowa Code requires the Secondary Road Budget and Five-Year Secondary Roads Construction Program to be adopted and submitted to the Iowa Department of Transportation annually by the Board of Supervisors on or before the Thirtieth Day of April. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Franklin County Board of Supervisors adopts the 2026 Fiscal Year Secondary Road Budget and Five-Year Secondary Roads Construction Program as presented by the Franklin County Engineer and to recommend that said budget and program be approved by the Iowa Department of Transportation.

Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Lukensmeyer, McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

The Supervisors recessed at 9:15AM for a drainage meeting and reconvened at 9:30AM. Minutes may be obtained from the Auditor's office or on the County website.

Ashley Roberts, Public Health Administrator, met with the Supervisors to provide them an update on her department.

Assessor, Carissa Sisson, met with the Supervisors to provide them an update on her department.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to open a public hearing pertaining to the FY2026 budget at 10:00AM. All ayes. Motion carried. No public comment had been received by the Auditor prior to the meeting and no members of the public were present. Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to close the public hearing at 10:02AM. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve a resolution approving Elected Officials wages for FY2026. The resolution reads in full:

RESOLUTION 2025-18

FRANKLIN COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIAL COMPENSATION FOR FY2026

WHEREAS HF2415 did abolish county compensation boards in 2024.

WHEREAS the Franklin County Board of Supervisors did not re-establish the county compensation board for Franklin County:

WHEREAS the Franklin County Board of Supervisors did determine the wages for county elected officials for FY2026 as follows:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Current Salary</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>	<u>Recommended Salary</u>
Attorney	\$122,520.00	4.5%	\$128,033.00
Auditor	\$81,950.00	5.5%	\$86,457.00
Recorder	\$78,950.00	4.5%	\$82,503.00
Treasurer	\$79,950.00	5.0%	\$83,947.00
Sheriff	\$118,660.00	4.5%	\$124,000.00

Chairman of the Supervisors receives an additional \$1,500.00 stipend.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Franklin County Board of Supervisors adopts the salary recommendations for elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025.

Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Lukensmeyer, McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve a resolution approving and adopting the FY2026 budget. The resolution reads in full:

RESOLUTION #2025-20

ADOPTION OF THE FY2026 FRANKLIN COUNTY BUDGET

WHEREAS, on the 14th day of April 2025, the Board of Supervisors of Franklin County, Iowa, met in session for the purpose of holding a public hearing on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2025-2026 as filed with the Board. There was a quorum as required by law.

WHEREAS, the notice and place of hearing had, according to law and as directed by the Board, been published in the Hampton Chronicle, the official newspaper of Franklin County.

WHEREAS the budget was taken up and considered and the public was provided an opportunity to speak.

WHEREAS the Franklin County Supervisors adopted Resolution #2025-18 setting the compensation for Elected Officials for FY2026 is included in the FY2026 budget.

FURTHER, the budget as adopted will approve the following property taxes for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (without gas and electric):

General Basic – \$3,681,963.00

General Supplemental – \$2,681,501.00

Rural Services Basic – \$3,365,906.00

Rural Services Supplemental - \$523,066.00

BE IT RESOLVED by the Franklin County Board of Supervisors that the FY2026 budget is hereby adopted.

Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Lukensmeyer, McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve claims as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve an ABD License for Casey's Marketing Company. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve an ABD License for La Chozita Mexican Grill & Seafood. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Supervisors acknowledge the Sheriff's monthly report for March 2025.

Chairman Vanness adjourned the meeting at 10:17AM until Monday, April 21st, 2025, at 8:30AM at the Franklin County Courthouse for a regular session.

ATTEST:

Chris Vanness, Chairman

Katy A. Flint, Auditor & Clerk to the Board