

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
June 9 th 2025

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The Board of Supervisors met at 8:30AM on Monday, June 9th, 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 6/2/2025 and the special session minutes from 6/6/2025. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment & Board Committee Updates: None

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 the hiring of Dennis Knipfel and Wayne Riggins for Seasonal Work and setting their wage at \$26.06 per hour. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve a proposal from Kimley Horn for preparation of FY25 Safe Streets & Roads (S4A) Funding Application to be jointly submitted with 7 other counties. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve the Iowa Dept. of Transportation Federal-Aid Agreement for County Highway Bridge Program Project, Agreement No 2-25-HBP-S-029 for Rail Ave bridge replacement. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker seconded by Lukensmeyer to open a public hearing pertaining to an application from NEW Cooperative Inc to expand Anhydrous Ammonia storage & pumping facility at 1389 Wright Ave Rowan, Iowa at 9:15AM. All ayes. Motion carried. No public was present and no comment had been received prior to the meeting. Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to close the public hearing at 9:17AM. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve the application by NEW Cooperative Inc to expand anhydrous ammonia storage & pumping at 1389 Wright Ave Rowan, Iowa. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Supervisors recessed at 9:30 for a drainage meeting and reconvened at 9:55AM. Minutes may be obtained from the Auditor's office or on the county website. The drainage meeting was delayed due to technical difficulties.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve an amendment of the Compensatory Time for Road Crew Employee policy. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve a resolution amending the Franklin County Employee Handbook 2.6 "Hiring Policy and Process". Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Lukensmeyer, McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted. The resolution includes updating the portion of the policy that talks about post-offer physical exams based on recommendations on the provider about testing physical requirements for jobs that are rated at a level 3 or higher. Due to the length of the resolution, the full resolution may be found on the County website or by contacting the Auditor's office.

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

The Supervisors held discussion in regard to FY2026 appropriations. After the discussion, the Supervisors directed the Auditor to prepare the resolution for 100% appropriations.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve front loading all qualified Public Health & Home Care employes transitioning from Franklin County to Franklin General Hospital one paid holiday to be used for Labor Day 2025 (September 1st). All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve releasing all Public Health & Home Care furniture to Franklin General Hospital as part of the transition of services & departments. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded Lukensmeyer to approve the Franklin County Courthouse Roof & Tuckpointing Design Partnership Agreement with Bergland & Cram. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve an ABD License for Backpocket Brewing LLC at 692 Heather Ave for RAGBRAI. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Vanness, seconded by McVicker to approve a fireworks permit for 4G's Pyrotechnics on behalf of Thomas Pals. All ayes. Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding which Supervisor would complete the petty cash count on June 30th this year. Supervisor Lukensmeyer will complete the petty cash count on June 30th.

Chairman Vanness adjourned the meeting at 10:02AM until Monday, June 16th, 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