

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

May 12<sup>th</sup> 2026

*A recording of the meeting can be found at [www.youtube.com/@FranklinCountyBoardofSuperviso/streams](http://www.youtube.com/@FranklinCountyBoardofSuperviso/streams)*

The Board of Supervisors met at 8:30AM on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at the Franklin County Courthouse for a regular session with Board members McVicker, and Vanness present. Supervisor Lukensmeyer was absent.

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

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Vanness to approve the minutes from the 5/5/2026 regular session. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board Committee Updates & Public Comment: Holly McCoy-Nelson from Alliant Energy was present to remind them of their public coffee at Rustic Brew from 9AM-12PM tomorrow, Wednesday May 13<sup>th</sup>. Vanness commented that he received several phone calls from farmers who had people out in their fields and were wondering if they could be notified prior. McCoy-Nelson will investigate this. Vanness also asked if Alliant planned to have a local office for the public during construction where people can stop with questions, concerns, etc. He stated that this happened during the last construction and it was a good thing. McCoy-Nelson will also investigate this. Supervisor McVicker attended NIACOG Board. Supervisor Vanness attended Veterans Affairs Commission.

The Supervisors recessed at 9:00AM for a drainage meeting and reconvened at 9:07AM. Drainage minutes may be obtained on the County website or from the Auditor's office.

Eric Arenholz, EMA Director, met with the Supervisors and provided them with an update on his department.

Ryan Peterson, Facilities Director, provided the Supervisors with an update on his department.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Vanness to approve a resolution amending Franklin County, Iowa General Policies & Procedures Manual, Section 2.5 "Franklin County EFT/Online Bill Pay Policy & Procedures". Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None; Absent: Lukensmeyer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted. The resolution changes the policy from being a strict EFT/Online Bill Pay for credit cards and develops the policy into a more robust and fully encompassing policy regarding County credit cards. The full resolution may be obtained on the County website or from the Auditor's office.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Vanness to set US Bank as the credit card vendor for Franklin County. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Vanness to approve a resolution amending Frankling County, Iowa General Policies & Procedures Manual Section 2.6 "Franklin County Claims Processing Policy". Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None; Absent: Lukensmeyer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted. The resolution adds one section regarding mileage claims to the policy that reads: "All claims for mileage reimbursement must show the total mileage traveled, dates traveled, point of departure, intermediate, and final destination". The full resolution may be obtained on the County website or from the Auditor's office.

Motion by Vanness, seconded by McVicker to approve a resolution amending Franklin County Handbook Section 2.9 "Reimbursable Expenses/Credit Cards". Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None; Absent: Lukensmeyer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted. The resolution makes updates to the following sections of the policy: Reimbursable Travel Expenses, Reimbursement Documentation, County Credit Card Use, Authorized Use, and Cardholder and Department Responsibilities. The full resolution may be obtained on the County website or from the Auditor's office.

Chairman Vanness adjourned the meeting at 10:05AM until Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 8:30AM at the Franklin County Courthouse for a regular session.

Battery Storage Facilities Discussion – Vanness commented that the roads are rough, but no major updates.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Vanness to approve claims as submitted. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Vanness, seconded by McVicker to approve an easement agreement with Franklin County Land Company, Inc. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Vanness to approve a Proclamation of National Police Week and Ordering the Clocktower to Blue. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Vanness to approve a letter of support for Franklin County, Iowa Rural Roadway Intersection Safety Improvements. All ayes. Motion carried.

Chairman Vanness adjourned the meeting at 9:38AM until Tuesday May 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:30AM at the Franklin County Courthouse for a regular session.

ATTEST:

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Chris Vanness, Chairman

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Katy A. Flint, Auditor & Clerk to the Board