

April 22, 2026

Board members present for regular session at 9:00 a.m. were: Baier, Christoffersen, Hoadley, Walker and Wedemeyer.

Also present: Mandy Berg, Dan Deluhery, Mark Earhart, Rob Mensing, Tony Mensing, Jayne Mazurkiewicz, Leonard Shelley, Nancy Deluhery, David Shelley, Dan Sherman and Jeff Vandewater. Ric Hanson – KJAN, Caleb Nelson – Adair County Free Press, Mandy Billings – KSOM, Nate Rogers – DataVizion and Jennifer Nichols – Atlantic News Telegraph joined via conference call.

All motions were approved unanimously unless noted otherwise.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Baier and seconded by Hoadley to approve the agenda as posted. Approved.

MINUTES: Moved by Hoadley and seconded by Christoffersen to approve the minutes from April 15, 2026. Approved.

CLAIMS: Moved by Christoffersen and seconded by Hoadley to approve the following claims:

AUXILIANT	HRA INS TRUST CLAIMS	\$10,299.71
	GRAND TOTAL	\$10,299.71
8500 - ADAIR COUNTY INSURANCE TRUST		\$10,299.71
	GRAND TOTAL	\$10,299.71

Approved.

SHERIFF – NEW HIRE: Jeff Vandewater, County Sheriff, presented a request to return Gwendi Rice to full-time status as dispatcher/jailer. Moved by Hoadley and seconded by Wedemeyer to approve the hire. Approved. Vandewater exited at 9:03 a.m.

COUNTY IT DISCUSSION: Nate Rogers, DataVizion, provided an introduction and overview of services offered, including IT support, technology integration, server installation, and equipment sales. Rogers noted experience working with counties across Iowa and partnerships with ISAC. Services may be provided on an as-needed basis. Jane Rasmussen entered at 9:12 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – VACATE PORTION OF 115TH STREET: Moved by Christoffersen and seconded by Hoadley to open the public hearing at 9:15 a.m. Approved. Comments were received from multiple residents regarding the proposed vacation. Discussion included the history of the road right-of-way, prior widening and maintenance, and whether compensation had been provided to landowners. Concerns were raised regarding road safety, maintenance responsibilities, drainage issues, and continued public use. Several residents expressed opposition to vacating the road, citing its importance for local access, farming operations, deliveries, and emergency services. Others noted cost concerns associated with improving or maintaining the roadway. Engineer Kauffman provided clarification on right-of-way acquisition practices and the circumstances leading to the current discussion, including temporary closure due to bridge work. Moved by Hoadley and seconded by Wedemeyer to close the public hearing at 9:42 a.m. Approved.

RESOLUTION – VACATE PORTION OF 115TH STREET: Moved by Wedemeyer and seconded by Christoffersen to approve **Resolution #2026-31** – Resolution to Vacate a County Road. WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on April 22, 2026, at 9:15 am following publication and service of notice as required by law on the proposed vacation and closure of a portion of county secondary road, described as follows: That portion of "115th Street", established April 3rd, 1877, located in Section 9, T-771SI, R30W (See Road Record Book 3, Page 66), commencing at the northeast corner of the southeast quarter of said Section 9, thence west along the north line of the southeast quarter of said Section 9, a distance of 2099.81 feet. WHEREAS, Any and all objections that have been received, either in writing or by persons present have been discussed and resolved requiring no further action by Adair County. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Adair County Board of Supervisors that the subject section of road be ordered vacated and closed. Other discussion included: Hoadley expressed concerns regarding safety and stated she has received significant feedback from constituents on vacating the road. Hoadley also relayed concerns from postal carriers, school officials, and others who utilize the road, and questioned whether the road should be improved rather than vacated. Walker stated concern about the cost of maintaining and improving additional roadway mileage and did not support additional expenditures for graveling the road. Baier noted that many prior road vacations have involved dead-end roads and expressed concern that vacating the road would eliminate the option to improve it in the future. Baier indicated preference to keep the road open for potential upgrade. Wedemeyer and Christoffersen supported the resolution to vacate, citing cost considerations and long-term maintenance responsibilities. Roll Call Vote: Christoffersen, aye; Wedemeyer, aye; Baier, nay; Hoadley, nay; Walker, aye. Approved. Dan & Nancy Deluhery, Earhart, Leonard & David Shelley, and Sherman exited at approximately 9:51 a.m.

ENGINEER: Right of Way Contract – W26 Prussia Culvert Project – Nick Kauffman, County Engineer, presented a right-of-way contract for the W26 Prussia Culvert Project (LFM-LRCBW26P—7X-01) in the amount of \$2,900.76 to Fred and Marie Ruth Pickrell. Moved by Baier and seconded by Christoffersen to approve and sign the contract. Approved. **Maintenance & Activities Report** – Engineer Kauffman provided an update on the following projects: the N11 Lincoln bridge project is nearing completion; final work is being completed on the W9 Lincoln project; asphalt work is ongoing on the county line near Grimes; bridge inspections are nearly complete for the month; equipment will be included in an upcoming consignment sale; and a tourism sign is being constructed near Schildberg's.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Baier and seconded by Hoadley to adjourn at 9:55 a.m. Approved.

ADAIR COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: _____ Jerry Walker, Chair

ATTEST: _____ Mandy Berg, Auditor