

**April 29, 2026**

Board members present for regular session at 9:00 a.m. were: Baier, Christoffersen, Hoadley, Walker and Wedemeyer. Also present: Timber Woosley, Philicia Hancock, Stephanie Claussen, Catherine Hillestad, Matt Haley, Raedean Bigelow, and Cath Howe. Ric Hanson – KJAN, Mandy Billings – KSOM, and Jennifer Nichols – Atlantic News Telegraph joined via conference call.

All motions were approved unanimously unless noted otherwise.

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

**MINUTES:** Moved by Wedemeyer and seconded by Hoadley to approve the minutes from April 22, 2026. Approved. Treasurer Wallace arrived at 9:02 am.

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

21st Century Cooperative	Chemicals	\$140.03	Marco, Inc. Nw 7128	Maint Contract	\$123.21
Ace Hardware Greenfield	6' Tube Siphon Pump	\$6.99	Mhc Kenworth	Parts/Filters	\$590.50
Adair Co Sanitary Landfill	Landfill Charge	\$25.00	Mid-American Signal, Inc.	Distance Meter Sensor	\$380.00
Adair Tires & Service Llc	Tire Labor	\$70.50	Midwest Underground	Parts #223	\$115.04
Alliant Energy - Ies	Intersection Lighting	\$45.34	Motorola Solutions, Inc	Radio Tower Repair/ Tornado	\$20,260.00
Amazon Capital Services	Conference Phone Microphones	\$83.69	Odp Business Solutions, Llc	Damage (Contract Compl	
Auxiant	Hra Ins Trust Fees	\$1,458.69	Orient City	Stapler, Pen Refills	\$67.50
Central Ia Distributing Inc	Dial Complete Soap	\$234.00	Pickrell, Fred A.	Transfer Of Jurisdiction	\$424.74
Cintas	Uniforms, Mop & Mat Service/Nitrile Gloves	\$454.07	Postage-By-Phone Reserve Acct	Lfm-Lrcbw26p--7x-01 W26	\$2,900.77
Creston Publishing Company	Subscription Renewal	\$52.00	Professional Office Services, Inc.	Prussia Rcb Culvert	
Daino, Marty	Snow Removal	\$30.00	Quick Supply Co	Postage - Passports	\$500.00
Edsall, Carolyn	Va Mileage	\$132.80	School, Gina	Motor Vehicle Renewal Notices, Additional Pages, P	\$422.57
Fastenal Company	Bolts And Fittings	\$120.00	Schultz Plumbing And Heating	Mulch	\$6,732.00
Fnb Bank	Deposit Slips	\$80.00	Secretary Of State	April Rent, General Relief	\$250.00
Fremarek, Inc	Chemicals	\$470.69	Spieker, Chris	Final Billing On New Ac Install	\$9,000.50
Govco Inc	L-Lbrn11I--73-01 N11 Lincoln Bridge	\$10,000.32	Storey Kenworthy	Notary, Ingwers & Rice	\$60.00
Grantham Sanitation	Trash Pickup	\$335.00	Tec Equipment Inc.	Boots/Jacket	\$250.00
Greater Regional Medical	New Employee Physical	\$110.00	Umb Bank, N.A.	Election Pins	\$240.89
Greenfield Lumber Company	Minor Equipment	\$131.95	Us Cellular	Parts #506	\$50.85
Gus Construction Co Inc.	Lfm-Lrcbw9I--7x-01 (Div. 2) W9 Lincoln Rcb	\$221,957.08	Van-Wall Equipment, Inc	Series 2015 Bond Principal, Bond Interest	\$3,415,893.75
Hardisty, Eugene Russell	Va Mileage, Meal	\$97.94	Verizon Wireless Bellevue	Backup Internet	\$21.64
Hgm Associates Inc	L-Lbrn23r--73-01 N23 Richland	\$3,644.64	Vestis	Hand Tools	\$542.32
Hotsy Cleaning Supplies	Parts/Other Equipment Supplies	\$769.52	Wallace Auto Supply Co	Cellphone Service	\$76.92
Housby Mack Inc	Parts/Labor/Filters	\$20,799.32	Weinheimer, John	Floor Mats	\$377.30
I-80 Companies Llc	Wasp/Hornet Spray	\$14.99	Wellhausen, Chad	2026 National Association	\$300.00
Infomax Office Systems	Contract Base Charge	\$5,641.70	Windstream	Slip Plate Spray	\$15.99
Iscta	Iscta June School	\$18.00	Ziegler Inc	Lfm-Lrcbw26p--7x-01 W26	\$1,334.49
Jensen, Randall	Pest Control Shop And Office	\$116.00		Prussia - Rcb Culvert	
Johnston, Gwen	Mileage To Training, Meals For Training	\$286.67		May 2026 Office Rent	\$784.56
Labarge, Sonja A.	Cleaning	\$217.50		Telephone Utility	\$286.09
Linde Gas & Equipment Inc	Monthly Cylinder Rent	\$455.50		Parts	\$5,377.26
0001 - GENERAL FUND		\$37,832.59		<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$3,735,378.82</b>
0002 - GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL		\$240.89			
0011 - RURAL SERVICES		\$7,838.41			
0020 - SECONDARY ROAD		\$32,277.19			
0021 - LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX		\$4,235.26			
0032 - NW WIND FARM UR DEBT SERVICE FUND		\$3,350,431.25			
1520 - NW WIND FARM UR CAPITAL PROJECT FUND		\$235,602.04			
2999 - MISC CAPITAL PROJECTS DEBT SERVICE		\$65,462.50			
8500 - ADAIR COUNTY INSURANCE TRUST		\$1,458.69			
	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,735,378.82</b>			

Approved.

**COURTYARD USE PERMIT:** Moved by Hoadley and seconded by Baier to approve the Courtyard Use Permit for Chamber Mainstreet for the Farmer's Markets on the courtyard starting June 4, 2026 through October 14, 2026. Approved.

**TOWNSHIP CLERK WAGES:** Moved by Baier and seconded by Hoadley to approve the township clerk wages for Molly Dolch at Harrison \$80, Jeannett Jorgensen at Eureka for \$80, Diane McCall at Washington for \$80, Doug Skellenger at Union for \$80, and Brenda Standley at Lee for \$120. Approved.

**MAURE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE:** Moved by Baier and seconded by Christoffersen to acknowledge receipt of the Manure Management Plan update for Prestage Farms of Iowa LLC. Approved.

**FY26 BUDGET AMENDMENT – SET PUBLIC HEARING:** Moved by Wedemeyer and seconded by Hoadley to set the public hearing for FY26 Budget Amendment for May 20, 2026 at 9:15 a.m. Approved.

**COUNTY TREASURER: Employee Resignation/New Hire:** Brenda Wallace, County Treasurer, presented an employee resignation and request to hire a replacement. The Board told Wallace she may move ahead to accept the resignation of Rice and allow Wallace to start the new hire process. Wallace left at 9:04 a.m.

**PUBLIC HEALTH DISCUSSION:** Philicia Hancock, Stephanie Claussen, Catherine Hillestad, and Matt Haley with Adair County Health System shared an overview of public health services in the county, along with current initiatives and efforts to better coordinate services and meet community health needs. It was noted that Steph's last day will be May 12. Adair County Health employees discussed the state's ongoing revitalization of the public health model. There is a push coming down from the state that public health services will be county combined in the near future and they discussed the possibility of Adair merging with Guthrie. Matt, CFO, provided handouts, along with additional materials from Steph. Similar to behavioral health, there is a proposal for Health and Human Services (HHS) to establish service system districts. More details are included in the handouts. The plan includes issuing an RFP with a five-year contract period, funded through grants. Lead districts would collaborate with counties to determine how to operate effectively as a region. Region 4 would include Guthrie County and Adair County. The coalition model was highlighted as a strong example of how regional collaboration can work well. Under this model, a fiscal agent could manage hiring and purchasing at the district level. Steph noted that some counties struggle to find public health administrators, and regional collaboration could help address this. There is interest in working more closely with Guthrie County, given their familiarity with Adair County and the environmental services they already provide. Even within a regional model, Adair County would maintain its own Board of Health. It was clarified that the Board of Health and public health operations are separate, though the board is responsible for ensuring services are provided. Jotham serves as Environmental Health Advisor and regularly reports to the board. Steph is seeking the county's support to move forward, with a proposal potentially coming in July. Some counties have already combined services and are operating under interim plans. One example discussed included Guthrie County managing grants and administrative functions. Locally, there may still be a presence, possibly on certain days of the week, though details are still being worked out. One staff member could potentially handle grants for both counties. Currently, public health staffing is very limited—primarily one person, with Lisa assisting alongside hospital duties to help balance the budget. There was discussion about funding challenges. Hoadley noted that tornado funds had been reduced despite earlier expectations. Steph shared that the strongest financial year was during COVID due to increased grant funding, much of which is billable. However, covering administrative duties remains complex, and funding this year is lower than in previous years. Questions were raised about future contributions (e.g., whether to continue at \$90,000). Wedemeyer noted that costs could potentially decrease under a shared model. Concerns were expressed about mental health services and ensuring local resources remain available. Hoadley emphasized the importance of considering taxpayer perspectives, especially if services extend beyond the county. There were also concerns about services for elderly residents, though it was clarified that home care is separate from public health and cannot be funded through public health dollars. Guthrie County currently provides some home care services. Steph acknowledged that while these needs are important, they must be managed within budget constraints. Bigelow reflected that in the past, public health operated at a significant loss, though this has improved over time with grant support. Steph has worked to run the office efficiently despite limited space and resources, while maintaining strong community connections. There was discussion about future staffing and leadership after Steph's departure, as grant management alone can be nearly a full-time role. Guthrie County offers some services that Adair County does not currently have and our residents may benefit from them. Additional concerns included the potential for rising costs similar to EMA funding, and the risk of losing local services such as the neighborhood center. Catherine, as Board of Health Chair, shared a personal experience highlighting the difficulty of securing 24/7 in-home care, but emphasized that collaboration can lead to solutions. She noted that past partnerships, such as with Everystep, demonstrate the community's ability to come together when needed. There was also interest in exploring whether programs like Senior Life Solutions could remain in Adair County, though regulatory challenges exist. Wedemeyer noted that contract terms could help protect against significant cost increases. Christoffersen asked whether this would be a permanent solution; it was clarified that it could begin as an interim arrangement before becoming permanent. Hoadley expressed concern about Guthrie already having the sanitarian and EMA. Walker expressed concern about getting a very large bill that was budgeted for from Guthe Public Health. Adair County Public Health thanked the Supervisors for their time and will meet with the Board before July with a possible proposal.

**ENGINEER: Approve Secondary Roads Five Year Construction Program** – Nick Kauffman, County Engineer, presented the Secondary Roads Five Year Construction Program. Moved by Baier, seconded by Christoffersen. Approved. **Sign Right-of-Way Contract – NW20 Grand River RCB Culvert Project (L-LRCBNW20GR073-01)** Moved by Baier and seconded by Christoffersen to approve the 2 right of ways to Kent Kiburz. Approved. **Maintenance and Activities Report:** Engineer Kauffman provided updates on current secondary roads projects and department activities. The crews have been backfilling south of Stuart, working on bridge super structure getting removed, might drive piles next week, Orient finishing up shouldering, he has a meeting today with MidAmerican about windfarm activity, finished ditching at Casey and now that DOT have done theirs, they will go back and dig a little deeper. Hopefully won't be an eye sore for too long. Crews are burning near Cass County, we have several guys that work on fire

departments and that will be good, this helps with natives and brush control. He sent out a letter about junk in ditch near Zion. Hoadley asked if we have road use agreement by Stuart for the crane that will be moved. Kauffman was there should be and a permit for the crane. The crane is currently in Arbor Hill. Hoadley has had a couple calls about washboards on a road near Stuart and directed them to call the County Engineer. City of Adair has a project that will start in the next month or so, with federal funding per Adair. Walker heard they plan to do it in 3 sections so that you can still get around town. Wedemeyer asked about dust control and Kauffman said it has grown and there's around 5 companies now. Schildberg's rock contract should start Monday. There are times that roads dept has made mistakes and sometimes gravel through dust control and have to fix it later. Kauffman is still getting requests for floodplain permits and there is nothing to tell them yet. Region 12 doesn't do it anymore, Kauffman reached out to Atlantic to see if somebody there still does it and is waiting to hear back. Auditor Berg has not had any luck finding any interest. Walker said that Taylor County has their own guy that does it and he may talk to them next week. There is a training coming up per Kauffman and Wedemeyer asked him if he wants to get trained and he said no thank you.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Wedemeyer and seconded by Hoadley to adjourn at 10:07 a.m. Approved.

**ADAIR COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:** \_\_\_\_\_ Jerry Walker, Chair

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_ Timber Woosley, Deputy Auditor