January 2, 2025

MET IN REGULAR SESSION

The Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 10:00 A.M. All members present. Chairman Miller presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. **CONSENT AGENDA**

After discussion was held by the Board, a Motion was made by Shea, and seconded by Jorgensen, to approve:

- A. December 17, 2024, Minutes as read.B. Thriving Families Alliance Employment of Sarah Sampson as a Part Time Quality Supervisor.

UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

•	nea, second by Wichman, to adjourn Sine Die. JS VOTE. Motion Carried.	
	Susan Miller, Chairperson	
ATTEST:		
	Becky Lenihan, Finance and Tax Officer, Auditor's Office	

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2. SCHEDULED SESSIONS

District Court Judge Maggie Popp Reyes appeared to swear in the following elected officials: Tim Wichman, Board of Supervisor, Brian Shea, Board of Supervisor, Mary Ann Hanusa, Auditor. District Court Judge Maggie Popp Reyes will swear in Andy Brown, Sheriff later today.

Motion by Wichman, second by Shea, to appoint Mary Ann Hanusa, County Auditor, as Temporary Chairperson for the election of a new Board Chairperson and Chairperson Pro-Tem for the year 2025. Roll Call Vote: AYES: Belt, Wichman, Miller, Shea, Jorgensen. Motion Carried.

Hanusa announced nominations are now in order for the office of Chairperson for 2025.

Belt was nominated by Shea and Jorgensen.

There being no further nominations, Hanusa declared it ceased. The Board proceeded to vote as follows:

Shea voted for Belt; Belt voted for Belt; Wichman voted for Belt; Miller voted for Belt; and Jorgensen voted for Belt.

Belt was elected Chairman for 2025.

Hanusa announced nominations are now in order for the office of Chairperson Pro-Tem for 2025.

Shea was nominated by Wichman and Miller.

There being no further nominations, Mary Ann Hanusa, County Auditor, declared it ceased. The Board proceeded to vote as follows:

Shea voted for Shea; Belt voted for Shea; Wichman voted for Shea; Miller voted for Shea; and Jorgensen voted for Shea.

Shea was elected Chairperson Pro-Tem for 2025.

Thereupon, Hanusa, Temporary Chairperson, turned the meeting over to Chairman Belt.

Motion by Shea, second by Wichman, to approve and authorize Board to sign **Resolution No. 05-2025**, entitled: Resolution Authorizing the County Engineer to Close Secondary Roads for Construction and/or Maintenance. Said Resolution is set out as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 05-2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO CLOSE SECONDARY ROADS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND/OR MAINTENANCE.

WHEREAS, Section 306.41 of the Code of Iowa, 2002, provides that "The agency having jurisdiction and control over any highway in the state, or the chief engineer of said agency when delegated by such agency, may temporarily close sections of a highway by formal resolution entered upon the minutes of such agency when reasonably necessary because of construction, reconstruction, maintenance, or natural disaster and shall cause to be erected ROAD CLOSED signs and partial or total barricades in the roadway at each end of the closed highway section and on the closed highway where that highway is intersected by other highways if such intersection remains open. Any numbered road closed over forty-eight hours shall have a designated detour route. The agency having jurisdiction over a section of highway closed in accordance with the provisions of this section, or the persons or contractors employed to carry out the construction, reconstruction, or maintenance of the closed section of highway, shall not be liable for any damages to any vehicle that enters

the closed section of highway or the contents of such vehicle or for any injuries to any person that enters the closed section of highway, unless the damages are caused by gross negligence of the agency or contractor,"

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors in session this 2nd day of January, 2025, that the County Engineer or Assistant County Engineer be authorized to close Pottawattamie County Secondary roads as necessary with the actual dates of closure to be determined by the County Engineer or Assistant County Engineer as follows:

For Construction: Any project as described in the approved "Pottawattamie County Secondary Road Construction Program for the fiscal year 2025-2026, and any approved supplements thereto."

For Emergency Closure of any road for maintenance purposes: Any route deemed necessary by the County Engineer or Assistant County Engineer.

Dated this 2nd day of January, 2025.

ROLL CALL VOTE

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSEN
G v P Iv	0	0	0	0
Scott Belt Tim Wichman	0	0	0	0
Susan Miller	0	0	0	0
Brian Shea	0	0	0	0
Jeff Jorgensen	0	0	0	0
ATTEST: Mary Ann Hanusa, County A			_	
RECOMMENDED:	·			
Pottawattamie Cour	nty Engineer			

Roll Call Vote: AYES: Belt, Wichman, Miller, Shea, Jorgensen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Shea, to approve and authorize Board to sign **Resolution No. 06-2025**, entitled: Resolution to Authorize the County Engineer to Certify Completion Papers and Make Final Acceptance of Contract Work on the Farm to Market and Federal Aid Systems. Said Resolution is set out as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 06-2025

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO ADMINISTER AND MANAGE CONTRACTS FOR THE SECONDARY ROADS DEPARTMENT, CERTIFY COMPLETION PAPERS AND MAKE FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT WORK USING LOCAL, FARM TO MARKET, AND FEDERAL AID FUNDS.

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the Pottawattamie County Engineer or Assistant Engineer be empowered by the Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors to execute the Certificate of Completion and make final acceptance of Farm-to-Market contract construction work as provided for in Section 310 of the Code of Iowa, 2002, as well as, Local and Federally funded contract construction work,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors in session this 2nd day of January, 2025, that said County Engineer John A. Rasmussen, or Assistant Engineer Brandon D. Burmeister be hereby designated,

authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors to administer and manage contracts for the Secondary Roads Department, execute the Certification of Completion of Work and Final Acceptance thereof in accordance with plans and specifications utilizing Local, Farm-to-Market and Federally funded construction projects for the Secondary Roads Department in Pottawattamie County for the year 2025.

Dated this 2nd day of January, 2025.

ROLL CALL VOTE

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSEN
Scott Belt	0	0	0	0
Tim Wichman	0	0	0	0
Susan Miller	0	0	0	0
Brian Shea	0	0	0	0
Jeff Jorgensen	0	0	0	0
ATTEST: Mary Ann Hanusa, County Audit	tor			
RECOMMENDED: Pottawattamie County E	Engineer			

Roll Call Vote: AYES: Belt, Wichman, Miller, Shea, Jorgensen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Shea, second by Jorgensen, to approve and authorize Board to sign **Resolution No. 07-2025**, entitled: Resolution to Authorize the County Engineer to Issue and sign Special Permits for the Movement of Vehicles of Excessive Size and Weight Upon Pottawattamie County Secondary Roads. Said Resolution is set out as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 07-2025

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO ISSUE AND SIGN SPECIAL PERMITS FOR THE MOVEMENT OF VEHICLES OF EXCESSIVE SIZE AND WEIGHT UPON POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY SECONDARY ROADS.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is empowered under authority of Section 321E.1 of the 2002 Code of Iowa to issue permits for the movement of machines, vehicles, or loads, or combinations thereof which exceed the maximum dimensions and/or weights specified in Sections 321.452 to 321.466 but within the limitations of Chapter 321E upon Secondary Roads under their jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, it is important that such permits be issued by persons familiar with the statutes and regulations relating to such permits and also with the limitations of the County's roadways, road surfaces, and structures along the selected or designated routes,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors in session this 2nd day of January, 2025, that the Pottawattamie County Engineer and the following named employees of the Secondary Roads Department be authorized to issue and sign special permits for the movement of vehicles of excessive size and weight upon Pottawattamie County Secondary Roads in accordance with said Chapters 321E and 321 as amended:

John A. Rasmussen, County Engineer Brandon Burmeister, Assistant County Engineer Mike Bonnet, Program Administrator Kristina R. Treantos, Operations Administrator

Dated this 2nd day of January, 2025.

ROLL CALL VOTE **ABSENT** AYE NAY **ABSTAIN** \circ \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc Scott Belt 0 0 0 Tim Wichman \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc Susan Miller 0 Brian Shea \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc Jeff Jorgensen ATTEST: Mary Ann Hanusa, County Auditor

Pottawattamie County Engineer Roll Call Vote: AYES: Belt, Wichman, Miller, Shea, Jorgensen. Motion Carried

3. OTHER BUSINESS

RECOMMENDED:

Motion by Miller, second by Jorgensen, to adopt Robert's Rules of Order as written rules of parliamentary procedures for transaction of business in meetings, except when it conflicts with the Code of Iowa. UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wichman, second by Shea, to establish a policy that the Board of Supervisors' regular sessions will be held on the following day(s): Tuesday at 10:00 A.M. It shall be the prerogative of the Chairperson, with Board approval, to cancel or add a meeting day.

UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Shea, second by Jorgensen, to approve and authorize Board to sign **Resolution No. 01-2025**, a Resolution pertaining to the payment of County bills. Said Resolution is set out as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 01-2025

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Pottawattamie County, Iowa, that the Auditor be, and is hereby authorized and directed to issue warrants in payment of claims before audit, and when the Board is not in session for the following purposes:

FIRST:

For salaries where such compensation shall have been previously fixed by the Board of Supervisors. When services of an employee are terminated upon certification of the officer under which such compensation has been earned.

SECOND:

For transportation of persons transferred at the County's expense to various State Institutions, when such expenses have been previously authorized and ordered by the court or direction of the Department of Human Services, and to include transients for Pottawattamie County Human Services.

THIRD:

For Clerk of Court's certified bills for payment of Grand Jury.

FOURTH:

For benefits for salaries on County payroll, where benefit rates have been previously fixed by the Board of Supervisors.

Dated this 2nd Day of January, 2025.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Scott Belt	0	0	0	0
Tim Wichman	0	0	0	0
Susan Miller	0	0	0	0
Brian Shea	0	0	0	0
Jeff Jorgensen	0	0	0	0
ATTEST: Mary Ann Hanusa County Aud	litor			

Mary Ann Hanusa, County Auditor

Roll Call Vote: AYES: Belt, Wichman, Miller, Shea, Jorgensen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wichman, second by Shea, to approve and authorize Board to sign **Resolution No. 02-2025**, a Resolution entitled: Resolution Appointing Deputies. Said Resolution is set out as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 02-2025

RESOLUTION APPOINTING DEPUTIES

WHEREAS, the Code of Iowa, Chapter 331.903, states that the auditor, treasurer, recorder, sheriff and county attorney may each appoint, with approval of the board, one or more deputies, assistants, or clerks for whose acts the principal officer is responsible, and

WHEREAS, the number of deputies, assistants, and clerks for each office shall be determined by the board and the number and approval of each appointment shall be adopted by a resolution recorded in the minutes of the board, and

WHEREAS, each deputy officer, assistant and clerk shall perform the duties assigned by the principal officer making the appointment and during the absence or disability of the principal officer, the first deputy shall perform the duties of the principal officer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the following deputy appointments:

Attorney Jon Jacobmeier, Chief Deputy unofficial
Auditor Linda Swolley, First Deputy, Real Estate
Recorder Kathie Kallas, First Deputy
Sheriff Steve Winchell, Chief Deputy
Treasurer Jamie Smothers, First Deputy
Heather Ausdemore, First Deputy

Dated this 2nd Day of January, 2025.

ROLL CALL VOTE

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Scott Belt	_ 0	0	0	0
Tim Wichman	_ 0	0	0	0
Suan Miller	_ 0	0	0	0
Brian Shea	0	0	0	0

	0	0	0	0
Jeff Jorgensen				
ATTEST:				
Mary Ann Hanusa, County Auditor				
Roll Call Vote: AYES: Belt, Wichman, Miller, S	hea, Jorgense	n. Motion Carr	ied.	

Motion by Shea, second by Jorgensen, to approve and authorize Board to sign **Resolution No. 03-2025**, a Resolution pertaining to the taxable value of the lengths of mileage of the several railroad, telegraph, telephone, and express companies in Pottawattamie County. Said Resolution is set out as

follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 03-2025

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Pottawattamie County, Iowa, that it is hereby ordered that the lengths of the mileage of the several railroad, and express companies in Pottawattamie County, and the taxable value thereof, as fixed by the Department of Revenue, within the several towns, townships, and school districts of Pottawattamie County be fixed according to schedule and the County Auditor is hereby ordered to publish and spread the same upon the taxes levied for said County for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

RECAPITULATION

RAILROADS \$ 84,371,734.89 PIPELINE \$ 77,563,790.93

TOTAL FOR COUNTY \$161,935,525.82

Dated this 2nd Day of January, 2025.

ROLL CALL VOTE

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Scott Belt	0	0	0	0
Tim Wichman	0	0	0	0
Susan Miller	0	0	0	0
Brian Shea	0	0	0	0
Jeff Jorgensen	0	0	0	0
ATTEST:	\4:40 #			

Mary Ann Hanusa, County Auditor

Roll Call Vote: AYES: Belt, Wichman, Miller, Shea, Jorgensen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wichman, second by Miller, to approve and authorize Board to sign **Resolution No. 04-2025**, a Resolution entitled: Construction Evaluation Resolution. Said Resolution is set out as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 04-2025

CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 459.304(3), sets out the procedure if a Board of Supervisors wishes to adopt a "Construction Evaluation Resolution" relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution can submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) an adopted recommendation to approve or disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution and submitted an adopted recommendation may contest the DNR's decision regarding a specific application; and

WHEREAS, by adopting a construction evaluation resolution the Board of Supervisors agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operation structure received by the Board of Supervisors between February 1, 2025, and January 31, 2026, and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix as provided in Iowa Code Section 459.305, but the Board's recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY, IOWA that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this construction evaluation resolution pursuant to Iowa Code Section 459.304(3).

Dated this 2nd day of January, 2025.

ROLL CALL VOTE

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
	0	0	0	0
Scott Belt				
Tim Wichman	0	0	0	0
Tim Wichinan	_		_	_
Susan Miller	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
Brian Shea				
	0	0	0	0
Jeff Jorgensen				
ATTEST:		·		
Mary Ann Hanusa, County A	uditor			

Roll Call Vote: AYES: Belt, Wichman, Miller, Shea, Jorgensen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Shea, second by Miller, to approve the following newspapers as Official Newspapers for Pottawattamie County, Iowa for the 2025 year: The Herald-Oakland, The Avoca Journal Herald-Avoca; and The Daily Nonpareil-Council Bluffs. The County shall pay no more than Iowa Code allows for legal publications in these newspapers.

UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wichman, second by Shea, to approve the Pottawattamie County Courthouse being closed on the following legal holidays for 2025, as per Code of Iowa, Section 33.1:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY JANUARY 20, 2025 PRESIDENT'S DAY **FEBRUARY 17, 2025** MEMORIAL DAY MAY 26, 2025 JULY 4, 2025 INDEPENDENCE DAY LABOR DAY **SEPTEMBER 1, 2025** VETERAN'S DAY (observed) **NOVEMBER 11, 2025** THANKSGIVING DAY **NOVEMBER 27, 2025** LIEU OF LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY **NOVEMBER 28, 2025 CHRISTMAS DECEMBER 25, 2025** NEW YEAR'S DAY 2026 **JANUARY 1, 2026**

UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Jorgensen, to approve Federal Standard Mileage Rate for 2025, at .70¢ per mile

UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wichman, second by Shea, to approve appointment of Supervisor Belt as first representative, and Jana Lemrick as second representative to IGHCP Board for 2025. UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wichman, second by Shea, to approve appointment of Belt as first representative, and Miller as second representative to MAPA for 2025.

UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

After discussion was held by the Board, a Motion was made by Wichman, and seconded by Shea, to approve assignment to 2025 Representative Meetings as follows:

Primary: Secondary: Advance SW Iowa Corp Miller Shea Board of Health Shea Belt Council Bluffs Airport Authority Jorgensen Relt **Conservation Board** Wichman Shea E911 Board Shea Wichman East Pott Soil and Water Conserv. Wichman Miller **EMA Board** Shea Wichman Golden Hills RC&D Miller Jorgensen **Hungry Canyons** Miller Jorgensen Miller Iowa West Racing Association Belt Loess Hills Alliance Board Shea Jorgensen Jorgensen Miller Pott County Trails Shea Jorgensen Pott Tourism Committee Jorgensen Shea SW Iowa Juvenile Services Jorgensen Miller SWIPCO/SWITA Miller Shea Thriving Families Alliance Belt Miller Veteran Affairs Jorgensen Shea West Central Community Action Jorgensen Shea West Pott Soil and Water Conserv. Wichman Belt **WIDA** Miller Shea Pott County Dept. Head Belt Miller Pott County Policy Committee Miller Wichman Pott County Wellness Committee Wichman Miller Capital Plan Committee Jorgensen Miller **ROI** Committee Wichman Shea Wichman What Should Be Committee Miller

UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Wichman, to approve reimbursement amount of \$50 per month for Elected Officials' mobile cellular usage for 2025.

UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wichman, second by Shea, to approve appointment of Jana Lemrick as Title VI Coordinator. UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Shea, second by Jorgensen, to approve and authorize Board to sign **Resolution No. 08-2025** entitled: TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE AND CLERK COMPENSATION.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-2025

TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE AND CLERK COMPENSATION

WHEREAS, the Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors currently authorizes that all Township Trustees and Clerks may be compensated at the rate of \$50.00 per meeting, and

WHEREAS, all Trustees and Clerks are expected to attend three (3) meetings per fiscal year (Pre-budget, Budget, and Financial Report). The number of county paid meetings may only exceed three (3) in any year with prior approval from the Board of Supervisors. The meetings must be open to the public, posted at the County Court House and the Trustee or Clerk must attend the meeting to request payment.

WHEREAS, the following townships would like to hold additional meetings: Hazel Del – two, Lewis Township – nine, Neola – one, and Wright – one. The meetings must be open to the public, posted at the County Court House and the Trustee or Clerk must attend the meeting to request payment.

WHEREAS, Clerks are expected to conduct work sessions each month at which they update township receipts, disbursements, and other official records. Clerks may be compensated at a rate of \$50.00 per

month for this time. Only Township Clerks will be compensated for said work sessions and said sessions are limited to twelve (12) per year.

WHEREAS, all payments shall be made by the County Auditor's Office and a completed affidavit timesheet shall be submitted to receive payment.

NOW,THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors authorized the Compensation and number of meetings/work sessions effective January 1, 2025: **Approved this 2nd day of January, 2025.**

		ROLL CALL VOTE				
	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT		
Scott Belt	0	0	0	O		
Tim Wichman	0	0	0	0		
Susan Miller	0	0	O	0		
Brian Shea	0	O	O	0		
Jeff Jorgensen	О О	0	O	0		
ATTEST:						
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Mary Ann Hanusa, County Auditor

Roll Call Vote: AYES: Belt, Wichman, Miller, Shea, Jorgensen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Shea, second by Jorgensen, to approve starting pay for new Help Desk Technician at a Step 3 Grade 518.

UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

4. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

5. RECEIVED/FILED

- A. Salary Action(s):
 - 1) Sheriff Payroll status change for John Cool.
 - 2) Secondary Roads Payroll status change for Mike Bonnet.
 - 3) Jail Payroll status change for Devin Mayne.
 - 4) Jail Payroll status change for Robert Gran, Riley Jones, Jake Meyer, Craig Thomas, Ryan Thompson, Braydon Nguyen, Adam Rutledge, Nina Noang, Valerie Kinney, Brent Fauble, Jacob Meyer, Nolan Darnell, Amber Roberts, and Dustin Ceder.
 - 5) Sheriff Payroll status change for Teresa Schultz and Tanner Frain.
 - 6) Crescent Ridge Ski Hill Employment of Maximillian Leland as a Kitchen Staff Team Member.
 - 7) Crescent Ridge Ski Hill Employment of Chloe Andersen as a Chair Lift Operator.
 - 8) Crescent Ridge Ski Hill Employment of Keira Diehm and Alexa Simmons as a Hospitality and Guest Services.
 - 9) Animal Control Payroll status change for Abigail Leggett.
 - 10) SWI Juvenile Detention Center Employment of Cassandra Von'Trerasoski and Dominic Bryant as a Part-time Youth Correction Worker.
 - 11) Communications Payroll status change for Ian Beinlich.
- B. Report(s):
 - 1) Sheriff Report of Fees Disbursed and Collected for November 2024.
 - 2) Annual Urban Renewal Report, Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments.

7. ADJOURN

Motion by Wichman, second by Shea, to adjourn meeting.

UNANIMOUS VOTE. Motion Carried.

THE BOARD ADJOURNED SUBJECT TO CALL AT 10:57 A. M

Scott Belt, Chairman

ATTEST:

Mary Ann Hanusa, Auditor

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APPROVED: January 7, 2025

PUBLISH: X