

PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Polk County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, July 29, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Holm, Tom Hockensmith, Angela Connolly, Jill Altringer, Matt McCoy.

Moved by Holm, Seconded by Altringer to dispense with the reading of the July 15, 2025 minutes and they stand approved as printed.

VOTE YEA: Holm, Hockensmith, Connolly, Altringer, McCoy.

The Bills as certified were allowed or disallowed on each according to the certified list(s), claim numbers 202507220001 – 202507221152 and 202507290001 – 202507290779.

VOTE YEA: Holm, Hockensmith, Connolly, Altringer, McCoy.

PUBLIC HEARING: DISPOSAL OF COUNTY INTEREST IN REAL ESTATE

Proof of Publication is on file with the Clerk of the Board. No one appeared for or against. Public Hearing closed.

RESOLUTION: Resolution approving Quit Claim Deed of vacant parcel (1107 Filmore St.) to Ruth Bodensteiner.

VOTE YEA: Holm, Hockensmith, Connolly, Altringer, McCoy.

RESOLUTION: Resolution approving Quit Claim Deed of vacant parcel (1107 Filmore St.) to Harriet J. Enos.

VOTE YEA: Holm, Hockensmith, Connolly, Altringer, McCoy.

PUBLIC HEARING: DISPOSAL OF COUNTY INTEREST IN REAL ESTATE

Proof of Publication is on file with the Clerk of the Board. No one appeared for or against. Public Hearing closed.

RESOLUTION: Resolution approving Quit Claim Deed of vacant parcel (behind 2707 64th St.) to Megan Clausen

VOTE YEA: Holm, Hockensmith, Connolly, Altringer, McCoy.

PUBLIC HEARING: VACATATION OF ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY

Proof of Publication is on file with the Clerk of the Board. No one appeared for or against. Public Hearing closed.

RESOLUTION: Resolution vacating unused road right-of-way on portions of Walnut Street, Main Street, and alley ROW locating in the Rising Sun subdivision.

VOTE YEA: Holm, Hockensmith, Connolly, Altringer, McCoy.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: The following appeared with comments in support of the Positive Alternatives to Hospitalization (PATH) Program: Tracy Lepeltak, 9164 Canyon, West Des Moines

Jimmy Autry, PATH Employee
Denita Anderson, 5515 SE 14th St, Des Moines
Annie, 4044 41st St, Des Moines
Julie Lefler, 152 56th St, West Des Moines

- COMMENT:** Polk County BHDS Director Annie Uetz made comments about the status of integrated service agencies such as PATH and the statewide realignment of mental health, behavioral and disability services, and responded to questions from Supervisors McCoy, Connolly, and Altringer.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Ray Sears of 1795 Waters Edge Drive, Pleasant Hill, made comments in regard to Supervisors' absences from Board meetings.
Rachelle Long of 106 11th Street, Founder and Executive Director of Taste of the Junction, thanked the Board for their work and invited those present to attend Taste of the Junction.
- REC'D & FILED:** Photos of PATH Memorial Garden submitted by Tracy Lepeltak
Taste of the Junction Flyer submitted by Rachelle Long
- PERMITS:** Renewal application for Class "C" Retail Alcohol License with Outdoor Service Area Permit for Smokey D's BBQ located at 5055 NW 2nd Avenue, Des Moines.
VOTE YEA: Holm, Hockensmith, Connolly, Altringer, McCoy.
- RESOLUTIONS:** Resolution authorizing Auditor's Office to publish Notice of Public Hearing on August 12, 2025 on conveyance of unused and vacated right-of-way parcel (on portions of Railroad Avenue, First Avenue, Second Avenue, NE 110th Court, and alley ROW) located in the town of Farrar.
- Resolution authorizing Auditor's Office to publish Notice of Public Hearing on August 12, 2025 to consider plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimated cost for Pastour Wetland Project.
- Resolution approving Pastour Wetland Project Right of Entry and Temporary Construction Easement Agreement.
- Resolution approving Agreement with the City of Ankeny for the Fourmile Creek and Tributary Stream Restoration Project (NE 54th St to NE 47th St).
- Resolution approving Agreement for Recycling Services with Waste Management of Iowa, Inc.
- Resolution approving Agreement for Refuse Disposal Services with Waste Management of Iowa, Inc.
- Resolution approving Agreement for Shredding Disposal Services with Green Resource Management, Inc. d/b/a The Shredder.

Resolution approving Opioid Settlement Funds for a Reentry Kiosk at the Polk County Jail in partnership with St. Vincent de Paul, Des Moines Council.

Resolution approving Contract with the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services (Iowa HHS) for Care for Yourself funding.

Resolution approving Contract with FexSteve Limited Company to address lead hazard repairs at 705 Clinton Avenue, Des Moines (Rchite and Milindi).

Resolution approving Data Sharing Agreement with Iowa State University.

Resolution approving Second Amendment to Agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the purchase of 241 Basic User Access Licenses.

Resolution approving Prairie Meadows 2025 Community Betterment Grant.

Resolution approving position modifications within the Treasurer's Office, Sheriff's Office, and Auditor's Office.

Resolution approving Emergency Rental Assistance 2 funding agreement to Anawim for repairs and maintenance on their 25-unit scattered site project.

Resolution approving Emergency Rental Assistance 2 expenditures to Urban Dreams for the development of affordable housing.

Resolution approving funding agreement with Community Housing Initiatives, Inc. for the development of affordable senior housing units using Emergency Rental Assistance 2 interest earnings.

Resolution approving Emergency Rental Assistance 2 funding agreement for the Junction Lofts II development.

Resolution approving 28E agreement with the City of Des Moines for the development of the Cherry Street parking lot.

Resolution approving OVG's FY 25/26 Capital Budget requests for improvements at the Iowa Events Center.

Resolution appointing individuals to serve as Polk County's representative on various Boards and Commissions.

Resolution authorizing Behavioral Health & Disability Services staff to enter negotiations to purchase property to create affordable housing using Emergency Rental Assistance 2 funds.

Resolution approving a Community Development Grant for Variety – The Children’s Charity of Iowa.

Resolution approving Community Betterment Grant Awards.

Resolution approving Community Sponsorship Awards.

REC’D & FILED:

Manure Management Plan Update from Iowa State Fair.

Manure Management Plan Update from Mud Creek Feeders.

**REFERRED TO
ASSESSOR,
TREASURER &
CO ATTORNEY:**

Request for Tax Abatement for property at 4505 Douglas Ave. (Iowa Zotung Baptist Church).

**REFERRED TO
TREASURER &
CO ATTORNEY:**

Notice of Appraisement of Damages and Time for Appeal in the Matter of the Condemnation of Certain Rights in Land for Euclid Avenue Improvements from Des Moines River to York Street Project (Morris).

**REFERRED TO
PUBLIC WORKS
& CO ATTORNEY:**

City of Polk City Notice of Public Hearing on proposed Urban Renewal Area Plan Amendment.

City of Ankeny Notice of Public Hearing on Applications for a Voluntary Urbanized Annexation (requested by DLE Four Way, LC, Putco, Inc, Upper Midwest Properties and Threshold Capital).

APPOINTMENTS:

Moved by Holm, Seconded by Altringer that the following Resolution be adopted: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the individuals named on this Memorandum be approved for personnel action:

Robert Austin, Water Resources Planner, Public Works, \$78,465 beginning 8/4/25

Odai Bani Ata, Detention Officer, Sheriff, \$67,593 beginning 8/9/25

Trevor Barber, Captain, Sheriff, \$143,611 beginning 8/9/25

Brandon Bracelin, Sheriff 2nd Deputy, Sheriff, \$268,375 beginning 8/9/25

Austin Dagenais, Sergeant, Sheriff, \$105,696 beginning 8/9/25

James Darter Martin, Jail Food Services Aide, Sheriff, \$49,447 beginning 8/11/25

Rex Evison, Shop Superintendent, Public Works, \$128,174 retro to 7/7/25

Gregory Ford, Tax Specialist, Treasurer, \$67,779 beginning 8/9/25

Kendra Gilder, Program Assistant, County Attorney, \$56,926 beginning 8/9/25

Shane Grego, Lieutenant, Sheriff, \$136,771 beginning 8/16/25

Ana Hall, Building Technician, General Services, \$45,785 beginning 8/11/25

Andrew Hunt, Lieutenant, Sheriff, \$130,632 beginning 9/6/25

Kimberly Johnson, Forensic Lab Assistant, Medical Examiner, \$67,778 beginning 8/9/25

Tyderick McGruder, Youth Services Worker, CFYS, \$67,960 beginning 8/9/25

Mark Mohr, Sheriff 2nd Deputy, Sheriff, \$185,869 beginning 8/9/25

Michael Mortensen, Deputy Director VA, Veterans Affairs, \$110,732 retro to 7/22/25

Brett Nekola, Maintenance Operations Manager, Public Works, \$140,993 retro to 7/30/25

Ryan Phillips, Lieutenant, Sheriff, \$125,609 beginning 8/9/25

Mallory Philmon, Youth Services Worker PT, CFYS, \$29,846

Haleigh Rees, Sergeant, Sheriff, \$105,694 beginning 8/9/25

Matthew Ringstad, Senior Services Site Supervisor, CFYS, \$87,240 beginning 8/29/25

Amberlei Roth, Youth Services Team Lead, CFYS, \$93,116 beginning 8/7/25

Mark Swore, Youth Services Aide, CFYS, \$53,402 beginning 8/4/25

Shawn Van Hoozer, Sheriff 2nd Deputy, Sheriff, \$185,869 beginning 8/9/25
Ryan Ward, Procurement Purchasing Manager, Gen Services, \$140,103 retro to 7/20/25
Joyce Webb, Community Services Program Admin, CFYS, \$136,771 beginning 9/3/25
Lucas Woock, Administrative Support Assistant, Co Attorney, \$49,447 beginning 8/11/25
Anthony Zamora Garcia, Facilities Maintenance Specialist, \$57,675 beginning 8/8/25

VOTE YEA: Holm, Hockensmith, Connolly, Altringer, McCoy.

MOTION:

Moved by Altringer, Seconded by Holm to go into Closed Session to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(c).

VOTE YEA: Holm, Hockensmith, Connolly, Altringer, McCoy.

MOTION:

Moved by Altringer, Seconded by Holm to return to Open Session.

VOTE YEA: Holm, Connolly, Altringer, McCoy.

LET THE RECORD SHOW there was no action taken in closed Session and no action taken, when the Board returned to open session, as a result of the closed session meeting.

LET THE RECORD SHOW all resolutions, including Public Hearings, were approved unanimously, unless otherwise noted.

Moved by Holm, Seconded by Altringer to adjourn until August 12, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

VOTE YEA: Holm, Connolly, Altringer, McCoy.