

April 7th, 2026

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 9:00 am by Chairman Kent Grabill. Present at the meeting were Kent Grabill, Don Mosinski, Heath Hansen, Chassity Musfeldt, Clark Borkowski, Rob Welch, Lisa Frederiksen, Paul Nielsen, Diana Munch, Melissa Thygesen, Todd Johnson, and Chris Swensen.

Motion- Hansen Second- Mosinski to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion HR Attorney update on Custodian hiring. Chairman Grabill discussed a grant that was awarded to Conservation from a fund set up by Norlan & Lois Rasmussen for \$1000 to be used towards maintenance on the Bike Trail surface. Motion- Hansen Second- Mosinski to approve the meeting minutes of 3-31-26. Vote-all in favor. Supervisor Hansen gave an update after speaking with HR Attorney Galloway regarding the hiring process of a custodian/maintenance employee. The interviews will need to be held during an open meeting, with a posted agenda. Individuals can request a closed session if they do not want it held in an open meeting. Motion- Hansen Second- Mosinski to accept/file the Recorder's Report of Fees Collected for March 2026.

Public Comment was opened at 9:14 am. Rob Welch with JCG Land/APEX, Coyote Willow Wind, gave updates on the wind turbine project. Clark Borkowski gave an update on the Ragbrai route that will be going through Exira.

Motion- Hansen Second- Mosinski to approve claims as submitted by various departments to be paid in the amount of \$139,470.76 and published in a separate publication at the end of the month. Vote-all in favor. Supervisor Mosinski gave an update on the ACED agreement. Attorney Swensen has a few things he would like to clarify with Supervisors on the draft. The tentative final draft should be ready later this week for the Supervisors to review. ACED will be meeting on Friday morning and plan to review it as well.

Lisa Frederiksen gave Auditor Office updates. Supervisors initialed journal entries for recoding of the ISAC amicus brief, and for the Custodian's insurance converting to Secondary Roads. Supervisors reviewed month end reports and asked questions regarding certain line items. Motion- Mosinski Second- Hansen to accept/file the Auditor's March 2026 Month End Reports. Motion- Mosinski Second- Hansen to accept/file the Supervisor's March 2026 Month End Reports. Vote-all in favor. Motion- Mosinski Second- Hansen to approve setting the FY27 Proposed Budget Public Hearing for April 28th, 2026, at 10:00 am. Vote-all in favor. Supervisors will approve the Public Notice for publication of the FY27 Proposed Budget at next week's meeting.

Mosinski updated that he has Region XII meetings later in the week. Chairman Grabill will have a Transfer Station meeting next Tuesday, April 14th.

Chairman Grabill opened the Public Hearing for the Ross Road Vacation/Division at 10:01 am.

Engineer Rydl joined the meeting to give Secondary Roads construction and maintenance updates. Rydl presented the IDOT Secondary Roads 5 Year Plan. Motion- Mosinski Second- Hansen to approve the 5-year IDOT Secondary Roads Plan. Vote-all in favor. Data Centers and Battery & Energy Storage within the county were discussed. Rydl discussed the budget and funds being used for the upcoming projects. Motion- Mosinski Second- Hansen to approve the Secondary Roads IDOT budget. Vote-all in favor. Motion- Mosinski Second- Hansen to approve Resolution 2026-17 as follows. Vote-all in favor.

Resolution 2026-17

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Audubon County Board of Supervisors that John Hansen be hired as Grade 1 Classification, Equipment Operator A, 3 Year column, for Secondary Roads Department effective April 13, 2026. His hourly wage will be \$25.48 with benefits as per the contract between Audubon County and Public, Professional and Maintenance Employees, Local Union #2003.

Passed and approved this 7th day of April 2026.

/s/Kent Grabill

Attest: /s/Chassity Musfeldt

Audubon County, Iowa Board of Supervisors

The Public Hearing for the Ross Road Division/Vacation was closed at 10:50 am. The only public comment was an inquiring from Clark Borkowski on the location of the vacant road. Motion- Hansen Second- Mosinski to approve Resolution 2026-16 as follows. Vote-all in favor.

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Resolution No. 2026 -16**

Ross Street Division

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WHEREAS, road vacation proceedings were conducted in accordance with Iowa Code Chapter 306 with a public hearing held before the Audubon County Board of Supervisors at 9:00 a.m. June 15, 1983, and 9:00 a.m. June 16, 1983, following timely publication to vacate certain roads within the County, including "North Street" in the Unincorporated Town of Ross. Road Segment No. 4: "Vacate a 66 ft. street (North Street) in the unincorporated Town of Ross, Section 4, T-80N, R-34W (Leroy Twp.) located along the south line of Lot 2 of Outlot 1 of said Sec. 4." The resolution to vacate said road was approved July 20th, 1983.

WHEREAS, said resolution declined to specifically assign or convey portions of the vacated road to particular adjoining landowners.

WHEREAS, there has been a request for further clarification as to the division of the vacated road between adjoining landowners, which is necessary to facilitate efficient property transfer.

WHEREAS, proceedings were conducted in accordance with Iowa Code Chapter 306, 331.361, and 354.23 with a public hearing held before the Audubon County Board of Supervisors at 10:00am on April 7th, 2026, in the Board Room at the Audubon County Courthouse, following timely publication on the above-described portion of road in the Unincorporated Town of Ross within Audubon County.

WHEREAS, the Board finds that all objections received, either in writing or by persons present have been considered, that this portion of said road was within the jurisdiction of the Audubon County Board of Supervisors, the same was previously vacated, and clarification of ownership is needed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Audubon County Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. The above-referenced road was previously vacated and closed.
2. The above-referenced road is divided equally between adjoining landowners, with each awarded half (33') of said road next to their respective properties. This action is memorializing the intent of all parties at the time of the original action.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be in full force and effective upon publication in the official Audubon County Newspaper.

ADOPTED in Audubon County, Iowa on Tuesday the 7th day of April, 2026.

Board of Supervisors
Audubon County, Iowa

/s/Kent Grabill

ATTEST By: /s/Chassity Musfeldt

Supervisors had a budget work session for FY27. Sheriff Johnson and Melissa Thygesen met with the Supervisors to discuss the upcoming FY27 budget. Sheriff discussed the concerns of being short two deputies compared to what they have had in the past. The Sheriff's Department made around \$50,000 in cuts to the originally proposed budget. Supervisors reviewed the FY27 allocations.

Attorney Swensen discussed the ACED agreement. Swensen asked a few final questions and will be wrapping up the draft before Friday. Meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm.

/s/Kent Grabill
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

/s/Chassity Musfeldt
Attest: Audubon County Auditor Clerk