## **Wayne County Board of Supervisors**

A regular meeting of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors was held on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 2025, at the Wayne County Courthouse in the Lower-Level Conference Room, Corydon, Iowa, pursuant to notice duly given in compliance with the Iowa Code Section 21.4. The Board noted due notice of meeting subject to said Code Section.

Present- Chris Moore, Todd Wilson, and Lance Lange members of the Board. Also in attendance: David Rhodes, Don Seams, Teresa Evans, Kellie Anderson, Stacy Gibbs, Dillon Davenport, Dan Carpenter and Michelle Dooley.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions are approved unanimously by all Board members present.

Moore called the meeting to order at 10:00AM and took roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moore requested an additional action item between 7 & 8 "Consider/Approve Chelsea Stoll, the County Human Resource Consultant to send a response letter to Sheriff Keith Davis and his legal counsel, Michael C. Kuehner letter dated 8/1/2025 regarding FY26 Wayne County Sheriff Compensation" Lange made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition, seconded by Wilson.

Wilson made a motion to approve August 5, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Lange. Lange made a motion to approve August 15, 2025, payroll, seconded by Wilson.

Wilson made a motion to approve August 19, 2025, claim set, seconded by Lance.

No public comments on agenda items.

Moore reported that the Board of Supervisors received a letter of demand from Sheriff Keith Davis, and his legal counsel Michael C Kuehner dated August 1, 2025. The letter is regarding the Wayne County Sheriff's FY26 Compensation and a response from the Supervisors is required within 30 days of receipt.

Moore stated that he and Auditor Dooley have visited with Chelsea Stoll, with Versed HR regarding the demand letter. Moore requested approval for Ms. Stoll to respond to the demand letter on behalf of the Supervisors by September 1, 2025. Lange made a motion to approve Ms. Chelsea Stoll to respond to the letter on behalf of the Supervisors, seconded by Moore.

Lange made a motion to approve the request made by the City of Corydon for abatement of past, present and future taxes for parcel 070N30200020(South Lagoon), seconded by Wilson.

Lange made a motion to approve the request made by the City of Corydon for abatement of past, present and future taxes, penalties & late fees for parcels: 07190A256008, 07190A256009, 07190A157010, 07190A257011, 07190A257012, 07190A257013, & 07190A2570124 (vacated Alley), seconded by Wilson.

Engineer Dillon Davenport reported the following:

The culvert sliplining project is tentatively scheduled to begin August 25<sup>th</sup>. The contractor will begin on County Highway S40 to the Missouri line and then will continue to J46 to Seymour. Traffic will be reduced down to one lane and a pilot car will be used. Contractor is still working on 245th Street Bridge but due to the wet conditions they are off to a slow start.

The road crew is still mowing the gravel roadsides, blading, rock hauling, and durapatching.

The majority of the crew will be in Humeston next week to do a large concrete patch in front of the Mormon Trail School. Highway J22 will be closed to traffic starting on Monday, August 25 but should be reopen by Friday afternoon on August 29, 2025.

Wilson made a motion to approve the revision of the 2026 County Five-Year Program Resolution 0.1 for Wayne County Secondary Roads, seconded by Lange. The revision was to correct a mapping error for Farm to Market pavement markings.

Moore gave the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance#204 Amendment Proposal:

## IV Permit Procedures:

- i) Types of systems to be installed will be determined by the Wayne County Sanitarian and be approved in advance of construction beginning.
- j) Types of septic tanks will be determined by the Wayne County Sanitarian with the first preference being a cement tank and must be approved in advance of construction beginning.

If anyone would like to see Full Ordinance#204 along with the amendment, you may stop by the Auditor's Office between 8AM-4PM Monday thru Friday.

Lange accepted and approved the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance#204 Amendment, seconded by Wilson.

Bill Chizek, with Heartland Co-op notified the county that at their Millerton location, they will be installing 2-30,000 gallon propane tanks for their dyers and 1-7,000 gallon propane for their office and warehouse facility. Mr. Chizek requested confirmation from the county that they were made aware of the propane tanks.

Lange made a motion to acknowledge the notice and authorized Auditor Dooley to send confirmation letter back to Mr. Chizek, seconded by Wilson. (Letter emailed to Mr. Chizek on 8/19/25 & Mr. Chizek confirmed he rec'd)

Lange made a motion to accept and approve the FY25 CASH Annual Financial Report presented by Auditor Dooley, seconded by Wilson. (The report is available on the County Website and the Department of Management Website and will be published in the Seymour Herald on 8/21 & The Times Republican & New Era on 8/22)

## **Department Monthly Updates:**

Lange made a motion to approve the County Recorder's July Report, seconded by Wilson. Deposits totaled \$5,044.47. Wilson made a motion to approve the Clerk of Court's July Report, seconded by Lange. Deposits totaled \$434.37. Lange made a motion to approve the County Sheriff's July Report, seconded by Wilson. Deposits totaled \$34,768.92. Lange made a motion to approve the Public Health Nursing's June Report, seconded by Wilson. Deposits totaled \$33,749.09. Wilson made a motion to approve the Public Health Nursing's July Report, seconded by Lange. Deposits totaled \$49,573.21. Development Director, Kellie Anderson reported that the Chamber will be having a staff appreciation day at all the school districts.

Sanitarian David Rhodes informed the Board that the railroad has begun removing the railroad ties in Sewal.

## Supervisor's meetings update:

Wilson attended the Chariton Valley Planning & Development TAC meeting.

Lange attended the Wayne County Conservation Board meeting. The staff is trying very hard to stay ahead of the mowing with all the rainfall. He also attended a Wayne Community Development (WCDC) meeting, and they are developing a plan to promote Wayne County.

Moore attended the Veteran Affairs Commissioner Meeting. He swore in the new commissioner, Mark Hewitt.

**Discussion items:** Wilson wanted to share the letter from Sheriff Davis with the Newspapers but that was not supported by all board members while expressing his frustration with the state legislators and their action to reduce property taxes while passing legislation that forces counties to increase expenditures. Lange also shared in Wilson views and the challenges that county supervisors are facing while reducing budgets and maintaining services to residents.

Auditor Dooley visited with the Board about a future resolution modifying the county's contribution to employee health insurance premiums that will be presented at the next board meeting. She will be presenting two different versions of the resolution; Option 1 would require employees to pay \$50 per month for Health Insurance

Option 2 would require employees to pay \$100 per month for Health Insurance

Employees will be given an opportunity to receive an incentive that would offset their contribution amount by participating in the ISAC Wellness Program by October 31st each year.

Public Comments: Don Seams asked for clarification of what exactly Ms. Chelsea Stoll was responding to.

The County Board of Supervisors received a demand letter dated August 1, 2025 from Sheriff Keith Davis and his legal counsel, Michael C Kuehner claiming that the Board of Supervisors is in flagrant violation of the Iowa law when setting his FY26 compensation.

Sheriff Davis demands that:

- 1) all information and documentation supporting the Board's compensation schedule decision be provided within 30 days;
- 2) That his FY2026 be immediately brought before the Board for a re-evaluation as governed by lowa's "Back the Blue" law;
- 3) Sheriff Davis's compensation be set at an amount of a comparative county, retroactive to July 1, 2025.

Moore once again stated that The Wayne County Board of Supervisors were one of the first counties in lowa to set compensation for elected officials for FY26 Budgets based on the FY25 salary information that was available.

Moore also stated that the county comparables (Decatur & Van Buren) provided by Sheriff Davis was not set yet when Wayne County Supervisors made their decision and that information would not be considered when setting FY26 compensation increases for the Sheriff. Wilson also stated that an adjustment in the Sheriff's FY26 compensation would affect the wages of the Deputy Sheriffs as well as the other benefits (IPERS & FICA) for all of them. Sheriff Davis's salary for FY26 is \$88,473.65. Ms. Stoll will respond on behalf of the Supervisors to the demand letter within 30 days.

Claims	paid	August	19,	2025
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Claims paid August 19, 2025		
Vendor Name	Payable Description	Total Payments
911 CUSTOM	UNIFORM/SHERIFF	877.78
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL, HEALTHCARE INC	INSURANCE/SHERIFF	2,995.95
AGRILAND FS INC	DIESEL	21,376.76
ALBIA NEWSPAPERS INC	BD PROC/BOS	819.00
ALLERTON LUMBER COMPANY	CONCRETE PAD/CTYD	189.19
ALLIANT ENERGY-IP&L	UTILITIES	1,613.19
ARGETSINGER, LUANN	MILEAGE/VA	42.00
ATOMIC TERMITE & PEST CONTROL	SERVICE:	225.00
B & D AUTOMOTIVE, (CARQUEST OF HUMESTON)	MAINTENANCE/CONSERVATION	199.54
BAILEY OFFICE OUTFITTERS	SUPPLIES/RECORDER	11.51
BANKS, KENNY	PHONE/CONSERVATION	25.00
BITUMINOUS MATERIALS AND SUPPL	ASPHALT AMISEAL CRS-2/SEC RDS	2,280.90
BOB'S CUSTOM TROPHIES, INC	SUPPLIES/VA	137.50
BRIGHTREE HOME HEALTH &, HOSPICE LLC	SOFTWARE MAINT/PHN	3,320.20
BRUSH AND WEED CONTROL SPECIALISTS, INC	BRUSH- BENTON, WARREN, CORYDON,	49,995.00
C & E TRUCKING	SERVICE/CONSERVATION	240.00
CANTERA AGGREGATE, LLC	ROCK/SEC RDS	25,328.25
CARPENTER, BRANDON	MILEAGE/ASSESSOR	195.57
CARQUEST OF CORYDON	SUPPLIES/CONSERVATION	40.71
CENTEC CAST METAL PRODUCTS	MARKERS/VA	2,013.56
CITY OF CORYDON	UTILITIES/GEN RELIEF	268.99
CITY OF LINEVILLE	UTILITIES/CONSERVATION	69,02
CLARK, CHASE	SERVICE/MED EXAMINER	150.00
CLARK, TRACY	MILEAGE/PHN	204,90
CLARKE ELECTRIC COOP	UTILITIES/CONSERVATION	543.54
CLAYTON PLUMBING & HTG	MAINT/CTHSE	349.41
CNA SURETY	BOND (TW)/BOS	100.00
CODE4 COMMUNICATIONS CONSULTING, LLC	SERVICE/911	3,300.00
CON-AGG COMPANIES, LLC	ROCK/SEC RDS	16,640.66
CORYDON PLUMBING & HEATING	MAINTENANCE/NV	258.00
DAVIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SHERIFF'S FEE/DIST COURT	35.00
DBL EAGLE THERAPY SERVICES LLC	SERVICES/PHN	3,018.50
DOTTS, DAVID	MILEAGE/VA	21.00
ERATH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SERVICE/PROB OFFICE	75.00
EVITT, MEGAN	MILEAGE/PHN	396.70
FAIN, LINDA	SERVICE/NV	700.00
FIRST INTERSTATE BANK-MASTERCARD	EQPT/SEC RDS	6,449.62
Furnal, INC.	DIESEL/SEC RDS	8,806.25
GALLS PARENT HOLDINGS, LLC	UNIFORM/SHERIFF	78.37
GAMBLE'S	MAINT/CTHSE	375.38
GOBEN AUTOMOTIVE LLC	MAINTENANCE/SHERIFF	938.74
GRAND RIVER MUTUAL TELEPHONE C	SERVICE/CONSERVATION	114,04
GRUNDY ELECTRIC COOP	UTILITIES/CONSERVATION	621.87
HALL CONSTRUCTION	1 FILLED WELL/ENVI HEALTH	700.00
HEALTHCARE FIRST	SOFTWARE MAINT/PHN	343.98
HEWITT, MARK	MILEAGE/VA	23.80
HILLYARD/DES MOINES	SUPPLIES/CTHSE	596.74
HINES CATERING	OUTREACH/VA	60.00
HOELTING, AARON	PHONE&WASHING MOPS/CTHSE	35.00
HYSELL, JERICA	PHONE/PHN	25.00
HYSELL, JESSICA	PHIONE/PHN	25.00
HY-VEE FOOD STORES (WEST DES MOINES)	PROVISIONS/SHERIFF	640. <del>9</del> 6
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IOWA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	SHOP/SEC RDS	185.00
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ISAA IOWA STATE ASSOC. OF ASSESSOR	ISAA TRNG/ASSESSOR	425.00
JASPER CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC	BROS-CO93(97)8J-93 BRIDGE 245TH S OF	4,785.98
JOHN H RIDER;, ABSTRACTS OF TITLE	HARVARD BRIDGE-K-2230-4 PARCELS/SEC	880.00
KOHL WHOLESALE	PROVISIONS/SHERIFF	4,714.16
LOCKRIDGE INC (PROMISE CITY)	SHOP/SEC RDS	25.33
MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL	SUPPLIES/PHN	73.88
MEYER LABORATORY INC.	SUPPLIES/SHERIFF	629.00
MFA OIL COMPANY (HUMESTON)	FUEL/CONSERVATION	1,314.57
MICROBAC LABORATORIES INC	WATER TEST/ENVI HEALTH	92.00
MIDWEST SANITATION & RECYCLING, PELLA OFFICE	SERVICE/SHERIFF	423.93
MIDWEST WHEEL	PARTS77/SEC RDS	717.91
MILLER, ASHLEY	MILEAGE/PHN	93.60
MOORE, SUSAN	PHONE/PHN	25.00
ODEN ENTERPRISES INC	BRIDGE MAINTENANCE/SEC RDS	2,415.00
ONSTOT CONSTRUCTION	REPAIR/SHERIFF	18,320.00
PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCOUNT	PARTS10/SEC RDS	358.37
RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER ASSOC	UTILITIES/CONSERVATION	215.00
RIDER, SANDRA	INS OVERPYMT/PHN	263.00
SAM, LLC, C/O SURVEYING&MAPPING LLC	SERVICE/ASSESSOR	150.00
SCC NETWORKS	SERVICE/DP	2,059.94
SECUR-SERV	BACKUP SERVER/DP	183.18
SEYMOUR HERALD	BD PROC-PUB NTC/BOS	1,478.82
SHARP, HEATHER	MILEAGE/PHN	109.00
SIOUX CITY TRUCK SALES INC	PARTS72/SEC RDS	1,835.72
SMITH WELDING SUPPLY, S J	WELDING/SEC RDS	152.31
SNOW, BRITTANY	PHONE/CONSERVATION	25.00
SOUTHWEST COMM COLLEGE, SWICC ADULT & CONT	CONT EDU/PHN	10.00
STAGGS, HUBERT	MILEAGE/VA	24.50
STANARD & ASSOCIATES INC	CS TEST/SHERIFF	46.50
STUBBS PETROLEUM	TANK RENT/911	50.00
TRI-COUNTY FIRE EQUIP.	SUPPLIES/CONSERVATION	187.00
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC	SOFTWARE/DP	25,825.00
WAPELLO COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTM	SHERIFF'S FEE/DIST COURT	50.00
WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SHERIFF'S FEE/DIST COURT	38.04
WARREN, LARRY L.	SERVICE/CONSERVATION	295.00
WAYNE CO- PIONEER CEMETERY FUND	FY23 ALLOCATION	3,500.00
WAYNE CO. PUBLIC HEALTH	SERVICE/SHERIFF	466.45
WAYNE COUNTY HOSPITAL	MEALS ON WHEELS/PHN	795.60
WILSON, ALYSSA C.	SERVICE/PHN	2,380.80
XEROX FINANCIAL SERVICES	SERVICE/SHERIFF	128.25
	Grand Total:	\$233,689.92

There being no further business, the next scheduled meeting of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors will be held on the 2nd day of September 2025, at 10:00AM in the Wayne County Courthouse Lower-Level Conference Room. Wilson made a motion to adjourn at 10:38 AM, seconded by Lange.

Chris Moore, Board of Supervisor Chair

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Michelle Dooley, Audito