

November 19, 2024

Present: Supervisors: Nin Flagel, Mike Steines, Don Schwenker; Auditor Alisa Smith; IT Director Bjorn Beck; Executive Assistant LuAnn Goeke; Media: Mary Hayward and Brittany Nopar – Maquoketa Sentinel Press. Resolutions and Ordinances are available in the Auditor’s Office – Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and at: www.jacksoncounty.iowa.gov

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Meeting brought to order by Chair Steines at 9:00 a.m.

Engineer Jayden Scheckel presented county business.

Motion Flagel, second Schwenker to approve Chair signature on the Iowa County Engineers Association Safety Action Plan to formalize Jackson County’s support of the strategies outlined in Iowa’s Five-Year Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) 2024-2028 and the overall vision of Zero Fatalities on Iowa’s public roadways as presented.
Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Schwenker, second Flagel to approve Chair signature on the Iowa Department of Transportation agreement for a DOT initiated detour of primary highways onto local roads from February 1, 2026 to December 1, 2026 for a road construction project on Iowa Highway 136 in Clinton County as presented.
Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Alice Daurelle discussed the scheduling of notices and times of meetings to discuss wind turbines in Jackson County. She also handed out information to the Board on the driftless area Jackson County is in.

Maquoketa City Manager Josh Boldt and Conservation Director Nathan Jones discussed the resolution for the Prairie Creek Destination Iowa project.

Motion Schwenker, second Flagel to approve Resolution #1082-11-19-2024 affirming support of the Prairie Creek Recreation Area Project CAT Grant application and committing local match in an amount no less than \$120,628.00 as recorded in Resolution Book 5, page 259 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Chief Deputy James Kraker discussed a proposal for Courthouse Security Officers.

Motion Schwenker, second Flagel to approve the hiring of three additional Courthouse Security Officers as presented.
Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Veterans Affairs Administrator Ruth Eltrich updated the Board.

Auditor Alisa Smith presented county business.

Motion Flagel, second Schwenker to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2024 Board proceedings as written by Auditor Smith and authorize publication in the official newspapers as presented.
Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Schwenker to approve and authorize the Auditor’s Office to issue warrants and the publication of the claims listing in the amount of \$215,714.27 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Schwenker, second Flagel to accept and place on file the Veterans Affairs Commission meeting minutes for the October 9, 2024 meeting as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Schwenker to approve Resolution #1081-11-19-2024 ordering a recount of votes in all precincts in Jackson County which are in the United States Representative District 1 as recorded in Resolution Book 5, page 258 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Executive Assistant LuAnn Goeke reviewed the Board calendar.

Motion Schwenker, second Flagel to approve the appointment of Jane Long to the Jackson County Compensation Board for a 4-year term expiring on June 30, 2028 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Schwenker to approve the appointment of Neil Harrison to the Jackson County Compensation Board for a 2-year term expiring on June 30, 2026 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Schwenker, second Flagle to approve the appointment of Billy Coakley on the Jackson County Civil Service Commission to fill a vacancy expiring on August 31, 2027 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Schwenker, second Flagel to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. until the next board meeting on November 26, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the boardroom at the courthouse in Maquoketa. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Clerk _____
Alisa Smith, Auditor

Chair _____
Mike Steines, Board of Supervisors