

March 10, 2026

Present: Supervisors: Nin Flagel, Mike Steines, Don Schwenker; Auditor Alisa Smith; IT Director Bjorn Beck; Media: 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 Schwenker at 9:00 a.m.

Maquoketa City Manager Josh Boldt updated the Board on the 911 Dispatch Agreement.

Director of Human Resources Becki Chapin updated the Board.

Motion Steines, second Flagel to accept the resignation from full-time Corrections Officer Sarah Knight effective March 13, 2026 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Steines to approve Jonathan Hynes moving from PRN Corrections Officer to full-time effective March 13, 2026 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Steines, second Flagel to approve the hiring of Neil Dolphin as a full-time Sheriff Deputy effective March 4, 2026 at an hourly rate of \$35.44 including authorizing the County Auditor to issue bi-weekly paychecks as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Steines to approve and authorize Chair signature on a 3-month probationary certificate of appointment to Neil Dophin effective March 4, 2026 through June 4, 2026 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Steines to accept the retirement notice from part-time Security Officer Curt Gruver effective February 20, 2026 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Historic Preservation Commission member Laura Carstens requested Board approval on three Interpretive Signs to be placed at the Historic Insane Asylum site. The Jackson County Historic Preservation Commission has reviewed and approved of the signs.

Motion Steines, second Flagel to approve the making of the signs for the Jackson County Insane Asylum as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Engineer Jayden Scheckel (via Zoom) presented county business.

Motion Flagel, second Steines to approve Resolution # 1172-03-10-2026 to open Jackson County Bridge MON-1331 in section 13 of Monmouth Township on 74th St and signs be erected advising of the opening and permissible maximum weight restriction of 15 tons as recorded in Resolution Book 5, page 360 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Steines, second Flagel to approve Resolution #1173-03-10-2026 to approve the Secondary Road Department Five-year program and budget as recorded in Resolution Book 5, page 361 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Steines to approve the awarding of the FY27 Destination Lighting project to Biechler Electric for \$28,317.00 for intersections at the Bernard Rd/E17 and the Bellevue-Cascade Rd/113th Ave (Leisure Lake Rd) as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Steines, second Flagel to approve a utility right-of-way permit to Preston Telephone Company in section 21 of Fairfield Township on 42nd St to bore underground fiber optic as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Steines to approve a utility right-of-way permit to Maquoketa Valley Electric Coop in section 5 of South Fork Township on 93rd St to build a new overhead power line as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Auditor Alisa Smith presented county business.

Motion Flagel, second Steines to approve the March 3, 2026 meeting minutes as written by Auditor Smith and authorize publication in the official newspapers as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Steines, second Flagel to approve and authorize the Auditor's Office to issue warrants and the publication of the claims listing in the amount of \$232,299.01 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Steines to approve the renewal of a Class C Retail Alcohol License with outdoor service to Maquoketa Country Club at 17961 33rd St, Maquoketa effective March 6, 2026 through March 5, 2027 as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Steines to approve the Board of Canvassers to certify and authorize Board signatures on the true and correct abstract of votes cast in Jackson County for the March 3, 2026 Special Maquoketa Community School District Election as shown by the official abstract and further authorize Auditor Smith to forward the abstracts as presented. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Motion Flagel, second Steines to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 a.m. until the next board meeting on March 17, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in the boardroom at the courthouse in Maquoketa. Aye: Schwenker, Steines, Flagel

Clerk _____
Alisa Smith, Auditor

Chair _____
Don Schwenker, Board of Supervisors