

April 29, 2025

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in a regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, April 29th, 2025, with Chair Jim Cary, Vice Chair Shane McCampbell and Member Tom Broeker present. This meeting was also held electronically via Webex and YouTube live streaming. Public input was available through board email or call in.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions passed unanimously. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Meeting with Department Heads: Budget Director Cheryl McVey stated that tomorrow is the deadline for levy authorities to file their budgets with the Auditor's office. IT Director Colin Gerst reported that they are keeping busy. Sheriff Kevin Glendening introduced Deputy Eric Kramer to the board. He was a reserve Deputy and starts the academy next week. The youth academy graduation is next Wednesday. He reported the jail population is 98 with 25 out-of-county. Land Use Administrator Zach James stated that things are going well. They may have a subdivision to present next week. Treasurer Janelle Nalley-Londquist said her office is preparing to mail delinquent tax notices in May. Emergency Management Coordinator Shannon Prado had nothing new to report. Safety Director Angie Vaughan attended a state safety meeting last week. There will be some grant opportunities coming up. Attorney Lisa Schaeffer stated that Cassie has been sworn in and now they are only down one Attorney. They are interviewing for student legal interns this week for a ten week program. They are still interviewing for Lisa Harris' empty position. They are working with the Attorney General's office on a Domestic Violence Training Program for prosecutors and law enforcement in the area in October. Maintenance Director Rodney Bliesener stated that they are busy. Engineer Brian Carter reported that you may want to avoid Middletown since they are working on asphalt on old Highway 34. The bridge deck is being poured this morning on Danville Road. Hopefully North Gear will be poured in the next couple of weeks.

Correspondence – The board received a number of e-mails regarding wind energy.

Approval of Payroll Reimbursement Claims in the amount of \$242.72. McCampbell made a motion to approve and was seconded by Broeker.

Approval of Resolution #2025-023 Setting Time and Date of FY25 Budget Amendment Hearing. Broeker made a motion to approve and was seconded by McCampbell.

**RESOLUTION SETTING TIME AND DATE OF FY25 BUDGET AMENDMENT HEARING**  
**Resolution # 2025-023**

BE IT RESOLVED:

1)The Board of Supervisors hereby fixes the time and place for a public hearing on the FY25 budget amendment for Tuesday, May 20th, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at the Des Moines County Courthouse.

2)The Des Moines County Budget Director is hereby directed to publish the notice and estimated summary as required by law.

APPROVED this 29th day of April, 2025.

DES MOINES COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Jim Cary, Chairman  
Shane McCampbell, Vice-Chairman  
Tom Broeker, Member

ATTEST: Sara Doty, Auditor

Approval of a one-year Janitorial Agreement with Porter Cleaning for the Jail 5 times per week, Conservation once per week, Secondary Roads once per week, and CPC once per week for a total of \$48,216.

Broeker made a motion to approve and was seconded by McCampbell.

Approval of a three year contract with SEIRPC for Land Use. Land Use Administrator Zach James stated that the price is up from three years ago and they added reference to the Airport Regulations and the Wind and Solar Ordinance. Broeker made a motion to approve and was seconded by McCampbell.

Ryan Nagrocki with Midwest Realty Group gave some quick highlights about the Workforce Housing Tax Credit Program. The program provides capital to developers across the state. They purchased a 56-unit complex formally known as Sundown Apartments off of Memorial Park Road. The requirement for the application process is that they receive a local match of a minimum of \$1000 per unit and a resolution of support. They are seeking around \$700,000 from the state. There will be a work session to discuss it further. Broeker stated that he is not a fan of using taxpayer dollars to fund private developer. They have helped with local matches for some non-profits. He does feel that the project is important. He stated that the local match definition of cash or cash equivalent includes something of equitable value that does not require repayment. He may consider it in a week or two.

Personnel Action – Correctional Center – Charles Robert Thompson – PT Transport Officer, New Hire \$21.19 per hour effective 4/21/25. Broeker made a motion to approve and was seconded by McCampbell.

Report – Dewey Byar Trust, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025

McCampbell motioned to approve April 22nd, 2025, regular meeting minutes and was seconded by Broeker.

Future Agenda Item – Work Session next Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. regarding the Wind Ordinance.

Committee Reports – Broeker and Auditor Doty met with the liability insurance representatives to go over the county's liability coverage. McCampbell attended the Plant Manager's reception on Thursday. Cary had an Executive Board meeting with SEIRPC.

Public Input – Rose and Tim Fischer were present. They live on a farm outside of Pleasant Grove. She stated that they opposed the Wind Energy Development Plan and requested an update on the moratorium and wondered if they had an update on the legal advisement that was requested by the board. Cary responded that he had not. Rose questioned why they contacted the attorney. Tom responded that he would like to open the ordinance again after his visit to Mechanicsville due to concerns over setbacks. He stated that we had three public hearings before they adopted the ordinance and very few people showed up and had three more public hearings when the ordinance was amended and no one showed up. These ordinances were passed in 2023. Broeker asked for an overview from the attorney. Rose feels that there are issues with the current ordinance. The board explained that there will be another work session to discuss possible changes. McCampbell referenced a list of 16 changes that was given to them last week. Rose wants a work session for more public input and the moratorium to be voted on today. Cary stated that since it is not on the agenda, the Board cannot vote on it. Tim asked if it could be added to the agenda next week. Cary stated that he would table it if they did. Tim stated that if someone applies, that ordinance is locked in. McCampbell stated that the ordinance is already out there. More discussion was held. Broeker explained that a work session is scheduled a week from today. If they agreed to amend the ordinance, there would have to be three public hearings that have publication requirements. He explained the process. Broeker explained that he met with two representatives from the wind turbine company, and they went through a preliminary schedule. The earliest they could probably apply for a permit would be mid-2026. It could be 2028 before construction begins and operational in 2029. Broeker explained what was discussed in the meeting. Cary explained that he received e-mails from supporters of the ordinance as well. Rose asked why they won't sign the moratorium. Cary explained that there have already been leases signed. Rose explained that they are leases that gives the wind company seven years to get their acquisition done or the leases mean nothing. McCampbell explained that we could be sued due to leases that have been signed based on the ordinance that was in place at the time but stressed that he is not an attorney. Attorney Lisa Schaeffer explained that this discussion is more appropriate during a work session. She explained that we could have contractual liability. She said the moratorium could cause contractual liability. Broeker explained that everyone will have a chance to talk at the work session next week.

Sheriff Glendening stated that from a law enforcement perspective he supports the improvements to Sundown Apartments.

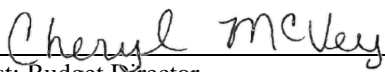
The meeting was adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

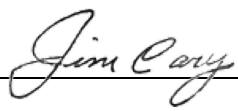
Following the meeting the County Engineer took the Board of Supervisors on a Project Tour.

This Board meeting is recorded. The meeting minutes and audio are posted on the county's website  
[www.dmcourty.com](http://www.dmcourty.com)

May 6, 2025

Date Approved

  
Attest: Budget Director

  
Chairman