

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. March 11, 2025 with the following members present: Bixler, Gaul, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Bell. Barnhart was absent. Minutes reported by Deputy Auditor Hamdorf. Members of the public were also present.

The Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.

Manure Management Annual Updates submitted by:  
Fletcher Farm #65560 for a site at 852 Green Road, Tipton.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on 3/7/2025 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: # 441611 for \$13,814.14-self funded medical claims.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve the agenda.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Chairperson Bell addressed the public for comments. There were none.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve the Board Minutes of March 4, 2025.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve Payroll Disbursements #200658-200798 for the period ending 3/1/25 and to be paid on 3/7/25.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to renew a 12-month Class C retail Alcohol License with outdoor service for Cedar County Fair Association.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Gaul to set the levy for the Pioneer Cemetery to \$20,000 for FY25/26.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Gaul to appoint Matt Bowers, Kent Stuart, Glen Hay, Kim Harmel, Marisa Stout and William Moomey to the Eminent Domain Commission.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

The Board recessed until 9:00 a.m.

At 9:00 a.m. the Board of Supervisors, convened as a 1<sup>st</sup> Tier Canvass Board to canvass votes cast in the Bennett Community School Special Election and Libson Community School Special Election of March 5, 2025. Auditor Welch met with the Board. Present were Supervisors: Gaul, Bixler, Kaufmann and Chairperson Bell. Thereupon results from several precincts were opened and examined with the results duly entered in the Official Canvass Book and attested to by the Board and the Cedar County Auditor. The results were as follows:

Bennett Community School District-Director at Large-To Fill A Vacancy

Ian Bjurstrom received sixty-two (62) votes

Bennett Community School Public Measure DM

Shall the Board of Directors of the Bennett Community School District, in the Counties of Cedar and Scott, State of Iowa, for the purpose of purchasing and improving grounds; constructing schoolhouses or buildings and opening roads to schoolhouses or buildings; purchasing of buildings; purchase, lease or lease-purchase of technology and equipment; paying debts contracted for the erection or construction of schoolhouses or buildings, not including interest on bonds; procuring or acquisition of libraries; repairing, remodeling, reconstructing, improving, or expanding the schoolhouses or buildings and additions to existing schoolhouses; expenditures for energy conservation; renting facilities under Iowa Code Chapter 28E; purchasing transportation equipment for transporting students; lease purchase option agreements for school buildings or equipment; purchasing equipment authorized by law; or for any purpose or purposes now or hereafter authorized by law, be authorized for a period of four (4) years, to levy annually, a voter-approved physical plant and equipment property tax not to exceed an additional Sixty-Seven Cents (\$0.67) per One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) of the assessed valuation of the taxable property within the school district commencing with the levy for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, or each year thereafter, it being understood that if this public measure should fail to be approved by the voters, such failure shall not be construed to terminate or restrict authority previously granted by the voters to levy and impose a special tax for any one or more of the foregoing purposes?

For Public Measure DM, there were:                      Seventy (70) votes

Against Public Measure DM, there were:            Eleven (11) votes

TOTAL    Eighty-one (81) votes

Lisbon Community School Public Measure NC

Shall the Board of Directors of the Lisbon Community School District, in the Counties of Linn, Jones, Johnson, and Cedar, State of Iowa, for the purpose of purchasing and improving grounds; constructing schoolhouses or buildings and opening roads to schoolhouses or buildings; purchasing of buildings; purchase, lease or lease-purchase of technology and equipment; paying debts contracted for the erection or construction of schoolhouses or buildings, not including interest on bonds; procuring or acquisition of libraries; repairing, remodeling, reconstructing, improving, or expanding the schoolhouses or buildings and additions to existing schoolhouses; expenditures for energy conservation; renting facilities under Iowa Code Chapter 28E; purchasing transportation equipment for transporting students; lease purchase option agreements for school buildings or equipment; purchasing equipment authorized by law; or for any purpose or purposes now or hereafter authorized by law, be authorized for a period of ten (10) years, to levy annually, a voter-approved physical plant and equipment property tax not to exceed Sixty-seven Cents (\$.67) per One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) of the assessed valuation of the taxable property within the school district commencing with the levy for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, or each year thereafter?

For Public Measure NC, there were:                      Thirty-seven (37) votes

Against Public Measure DM, there were:            Eleven (11) votes

TOTAL    Forty-eight (48) votes

At 9:15 the Board held a public hearing for review/consideration/action on the following petition: Darrell and Jody Yutesler, 2217 Hoover Hwy, Lowden, IA (Owner) - Requesting a change in zoning from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential for the purpose of allowing construction of a single-family dwelling on property located on Parcel B in the SE¼, NW¼, Section 11, T-81N, R-1 W, in Springfield Township. Said petition is to rezone an existing 6.2 acres m/1 lot. Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue, Jody Yutesler and Engineer Fangman were present. No written or verbal objections on file.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve requesting a change in zoning from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential for the purpose of allowing construction of a single-family dwelling on property located on Parcel B in the SE¼, NW¼, Section 11, T-81N, R-1 W, in Springfield Township and waive the seconded hearing.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve an updated Business Associate Agreement with Heritage Area Agency on Aging.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve the final payment for STP-S-C016(117)—5E-16 and BROS-C016(116)—5F-16.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Discussion was held on the Ordinance to adopt a moratorium on the development and construction of Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) pipelines in Cedar County, IA. Kaufmann said that him and Barnhart are working with Attorney Carl Salmons. Consensus of the Board was to set public hearing dates and schedule Salmons to attend a public hearing to answer any questions from the Board or the public.

Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Gaul to set public hearing dates for 3/25/2025, 4/1/2025 and 4/8/2025 at 9:30 a.m. for the following Ordinance to Adopt a Moratorium on the Development and Construction of Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Pipelines in Cedar County, IA


Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Gaul to adjourn at 10:19 a.m., to March 18, 2025.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

  
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Nicki Welch, Auditor

  
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Jon Bell, Chairperson