

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. October 21, 2025 with the following members present: Bixler, Barnhart, Gaul, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Bell. Minutes reported by Deputy Auditor Hamdorf. Members of the public were also present.

The Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence from:
Cedar County Veterans Affairs approved October reports and minutes from 9/16/2025.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on 10/17/2025 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #443861 for \$1,778.01-self funded medical claims.

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

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Pro-Tem Chairperson Kaufmann addressed the public for comments. There were none.

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve the Board Minutes of October 14, 2025.

Ayes: All

Abstain: Gaul

Absent: Bell

Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Barnhart to approve Payroll Disbursements #203039-203187 for the period ending 10/11/25 and to be paid on 10/17/25.

Ayes: All

Absent: Bell

Bell entered the Boardroom at 8:36 a.m.

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

Handbook updates were discussed. The social media policy doesn't match the CAROSH policy that was approved. This will be added to next week's agenda for approval once the social media policies match.

Finance Director Dauber submitted her resignation effective December 1, 2025, and it was discussed. Bell said he spoke with HR Attorney Galloway and discussed hiring a Board of Supervisor Clerk/Finance Director, the Elected Officials salary can't be changed until next FY once the Board approves it and the person taking the position would do this work on his/her own time and can't put the workload on others within the office. Barnhart said it is not a good look to add a position after eliminating positions. Auditor Welch stated she thinks the job belongs in the Auditor's Office. Dauber feels if the Auditor is willing to do it that is who should be doing it and stated she is willing to keep doing it until June 30th since elected officials can't receive any more money. Welch asked Dauber if they could work together going forward so she has a better understanding of the process, Dauber agreed if the Board chooses that option. Consensus of the Board was to email all employees asking if anyone had interest in the position.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to set public hearing dates for the following petition; James and Anne Hodges Trust & Hanks Family Revocable Trust, 3961 Rollingwood Drive NW, Cedar Rapids, IA, (Owners) and Philip and Jennifer Hanks, 3023 160th St., Dyersville, IA (Buyers) - 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 described as Lot 1, located in the SW ¼, SE ¼, Section 30, T-79N, R-4W, in Springdale Township, consisting of 1.49 acres more or less to 8:45 a.m. on November 12, 2025 and November 18, 2025.

Ayes: All

Auditor Welch asked the Board how they want her to proceed with the TMI bill for the pump repairs. Consensus of the Board was to follow Attorney Blanks recommendations and to go ahead and pay if it is at cost with no markup.

University of Iowa's Initiative for Sustainable Communities has partnered with the City of West Branch and is requesting a shape file from our GIS vendor at our cost of \$1,500 dating back to 2005. Consensus of the Board was to have Assessor Dauber deny the request per the Board of Supervisors.

Moved by Sup. Barnhart seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to adjourn at 9:49 a.m., to October 28, 2025.

Ayes: All



Nicki Welch, Auditor



Jon Bell, Chairperson