

January 6, 2026

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in a regular session at the Court House in Burlington at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026, with Chair Shane McCampbell, Vice Chair Tom Broeker, and Member Jim Cary present. The 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.

Organization of the Board of Supervisors took place. Beginning January 1, 2026, Shane McCampbell will be Chair, Tom Broeker will be Vice-Chair, and Jim Cary will be Member. Cary made a motion to approve and was seconded by Broeker.

Meeting with Department Heads: Conservation Director Chris Lee reported his office is busy. County Attorney Lisa Schaefer reported she has hired an Assistant County Attorney, Blake Vierra. Her office remains busy. Safety Director Angela Vaughan reported her office is busy. County Auditor Sara Doty stated she is working on budget and preparing for the upcoming election. County Recorder Natalie Steffener reported her office is busy. Assistant Land Use Administrator Jarred Lassiter stated he will have a couple of minor subdivisions for next week's agenda. Veterans Affairs Director Brooke Marland reported her office is busy. Local Health Director Christa Poggemiller stated covid and flu vaccines are available every Tuesday from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm, no appointment necessary. Maintenance Director Rodney Bliesener reported he is working on budget. Sheriff Kevin Glendening stated the law enforcement side is very busy. Jail population is at 101. He attended a Mediapolis City Council meeting for approval of their law enforcement agreement. IT Director Brandon Mehmert reported his office is busy.

A Public Hearing was held to Adopt Wind, Solar, and Battery Ordinance #64. Broeker made a motion to open the public hearing and was seconded by Cary. Public comments were made. Lori Andrews, Mary Zockler, Jacob Nye, John March, Elizabeth Baumann, Joshua Quam, Ryan Drew, Brian Dingus, Tom Upton, Brad Coates, Tom Brockett, Mike Buster, Wyatt Mohr, Madeline Hollingsworth, Jon Sattler, John Crouch, Dave Bloomberg, Ellen Bloomberg, Royce Peterson, Donnie Wagenbach, John Oberly, Carol Bartles, Martha Woelf, Diane Roelfs, Dan Denney, Patti Jo Oberman Patten, Wendy Wurtzel, Alison Mohr, Nyle Shade, Lori McCreight, Kenny Oleson, Ron Helling, Monica Samples, Terry Davis, Randy Hollingsworth, Philip Baumann, Dan Keitzer, Keaten Keitzer, Cathy Ziegler, Doug Barcus, Brian Messer, Donna Massner, Brenda Schnedler, David Cochren, Julie Zimmer, Jacob Cardwell, Chandra Moser-Callaway, Julie Solinski, Lucia Moser, Cindy Newberry, Tim Fischer, Gary Wolfe, Rose, Fischer, Don Roelfs, Kyler Massner, Reyna Cadana, and William Thele spoke. Broeker made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Cary.

Approval of the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Wind Solar, and Battery Ordinance #64 was presented. Broeker made a motion to approve and was seconded by Cary. McCampbell voted against the reading.

A Request to Extend the Moratorium until May 31, 2026, to allow time for Iowa Supreme Court decision on Worthwhile Wind LLC vs Worth County Board of Supervisors, was presented by Rose Fischer. Broeker made a motion to deny the extension and was seconded by Cary. McCampbell voted yes. Motion did not pass.

Approval of Payroll Reimbursement Claims in the amount of \$3,687.90 were presented. Cary made a motion to approve and was seconded by Broeker.

Approval of Accounts Payable Claims in the amount of \$366,000.09 were presented. Cary made a motion to approve and was seconded by Broeker.

Approval of Personnel Actions were presented – Board of Supervisors – Becky Purchase, Administrative Assistant / PT Budget Director, new rate of \$70,838 yearly, effective 1/2/26. Broeker made a motion to approve and was seconded by Cary. Treasurer – Jennifer Phillips, Clerk II, 24-month step increase, new rate of \$39,945.32 yearly effective 1/2/26; Alana Capps, Clerk II, 1.73 hours unpaid. Cary made a motion to approve both personnel actions and was seconded by Broeker. Local Health – Madeline Bark, Secretary, 8 hours unpaid for 12/26/25; Drew Tucker, CNA, 8 hours unpaid for 12/26/25; Prissilla Krieger, LPN, 8 hours unpaid for 12/29/25. Broeker made a motion to approve all three personnel actions and was seconded by Cary. Conservation – Tanner Grimm, Operations Supervisor, 36-month step increase, new rate of \$59,256.29 yearly effective 1/2/26. Broeker made a motion to

approve and was seconded by Cary. County Attorney – Blake Vierra, Assistant County Attorney, New Hire, \$98,999 yearly effective 1/15/26. Cary made a motion to approve and was seconded by Broeker.

Broeker motioned to approve December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, regular meeting minutes and was seconded by Cary.

During public input, Bob Strawhacker, Randy Foor, Melanie Patton, and Rose Fischer all spoke. The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 A.M.

This Board meeting is recorded. The meeting minutes and audio are posted on the county's website

1-13-26  
Date Approved

Cary Doty  
Attest: Auditor

Shaneet McCaybba  
Chairman