

September 1, 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, September 1st, 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.

Meeting with Department Heads: Public Health Director Christa Poggemiller stated kids are still coming in for immunizations. She wanted to let the public know that her office has radon kits available. Veterans Affairs Director Brooke Marland reported her office is busy. Maintenance Director Rodney Bliesener reported his office is busy. SEIRPC Assistant Director Zach James reported his office has had several subdivisions in the process and continues to conduct business as usual. IT Director Brandon Mehmert reported his office is busy. Sheriff Kevin Glendening stated the jail population is 93. County Auditor Sara Doty reported the employee handbook changes that were placed on last week's agenda, were from February 24th, when she held a work session to discuss the changes. She has been working with the County HR Attorney to make the necessary changes, and it is now ready for approval. She stated absentee ballot request forms are now being accepted in the Auditor's Office. Ballots will not be mailed until October 14th. The final day for pre-registration and to request an absentee ballot to be mailed is October 19th. County Attorney Lisa Schaefer introduced the new Victim Witness Coordinator, Zachery Rudicil. She stated the Rice murder trial was held in Lee County recently and sentencing will happen at the end of September. She thanked the Sheriff's Department in both Lee and Des Moines County, for their help in security and the smooth running of the trial. County Engineer Brian Carter stated Highway 61 North of Mediapolis has changed the route, so please pay close attention when driving in the area. He has a work session on the agenda for today, if the Board has the time to go. Conservation Director Chris Lee reported his team is busy tagging monarch butterflies. His team is busy working on Flint River Trail as well.

Approval of Accounts Payable Claims in the amount of \$499,924.88 were presented. Cary made a motion to approve and was seconded by Broeker.

Approval of Payroll Reimbursement Claims in the amount of \$1,689.54 and Non-Cash Taxable in the amount of \$135.48 were presented. Broeker made a motion to approve and was seconded by Cary.

Approval of contract with SEIRPC to Develop an Ordinance for the Regulation of Data Centers was presented. Broeker made a motion to approve and was seconded by Cary.

Approval of an Amended 28E Agreement Concerning Public Safety Emergency Communications Services and Finance was presented. Broeker made a motion to approve and was seconded by Cary.

Approval of Personnel Actions was presented:

Treasurer – Alana Capps, Clerk II, Motor Vehicle Department, 41.42 hours of unpaid time from 8/16/26 – 8/29/26. Cary made a motion to approve and was seconded by Broeker.

Attorney – Zachery Rudicil, Special Projects/Victim Witness Coordinator, New Hire, Yearly Salary of \$34,372.00 effective 8/31/26. Broeker made a motion to approve and was seconded by Cary.

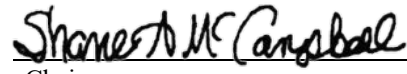
During Public Input, Dave Dingman, 22668 HWY 79, Danville, spoke to the Board regarding a discrepancy that he had with the assessed value on his recently purchased property. Brian Thie suggested the Board move slow with creating the Ordinance for Data Centers to ensure we have all the proper information before completing the Ordinance.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

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

9-8-26
Date Approved


Attest: Auditor


Chairman

A work session was held following the meeting to discuss the placement of a City owned Statue of Liberty Replica on the Courthouse lawn. The Board questioned Tim Scott, who would be responsible if the statue were to be damaged. Tim stated that there is a "Statue of Liberty Committee" for the statue and ensures that there will be no cost to the County for the placement or upkeep of the statue.

A work session was held with County Engineer Brian Carter. McCampbell, Broeker, and Cary attended. Carter took the Board to Kirkendall/Pfeiff Road to check out issues that had been reported from a resident in the area.