Regular Meeting
July 28, 2026

The Webster County Board of Supervisors, in addition to the open meeting, held an electronic meeting, at the following time and place: Tuesday, July 28, 2026, 10:00 A.M.; Board of Supervisors Room, Fort Dodge, Iowa

The Board of Supervisors met in session on the above date with the following members present: Thode, Cochrane, Conrad and Montgomery. Absent: Hayek

Moved by Cochrane, seconded by Conrad to approve meeting minutes dated July 14, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Conrad, seconded by Montgomery to approve the Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Montgomery, seconded by Cochrane to approve Consent Agenda.

a) Receive and place on file the resignation of Cindy Partlow, Dental Hygienist (full-time), effective July 8, 2026, per the recommendation of Jennifer Sumpter, Director, Webster County Public Health.
b) Receive and place on file the retirement of Daniel Lewandowski, Veteran Affairs Director (full-time), effective July 17, 2026, per the recommendation of Austin Hayek, Chairperson – Board of Supervisors.
c) Accept and authorize an annual step increase (Step 2) for Taylor Chansler, Deputy (full-time) from $32.16/hour to $34.70/hour, effective July 8, 2026, per the commendation of Luke Fleener, Webster County Sheriff.
d) Accept and authorize an annual step increase (Step 3) for Ashlee Lansman, Communications Dispatcher (full-time) from $23.36/hour to $23.96/hour, effective July 9, 2026, per the recommendation of Luke Fleener, Webster County Sheriff.
e) Accept and authorize an annual step increase (Step 2) for Avery Hendrickson, Communications Dispatcher (full-time) from $22.78/hour to $23.36/hour, effective July 24, 2026, per the recommendation of Luke Fleener, Webster County Sheriff.
f) Accept and authorize six-month step increase for Jacci Hindt, Clerk – Treasurer's Office (part-time) from $18.96/hour to $20.52/hour, effective July 20, 2026, per the recommendation of Brenda Angstrom, Webster County Treasurer.
g) Accept and authorize the hiring of Tyler Schmidt, Human Resources Director (full-time) at $80,000.00 salary, effective August 3, 2026, per recommendation of Austin Hayek, Chairperson – Board of Supervisors.
h) Receive and place on file the resignation of Julie Howell, Nurse (full-time), effective July 24, 2026, per the recommendation of Jennifer Sumpter, Director, Webster County Public Health.
i) Receive and place on file resignation of Ryan Kehm as Webster County Drainage Attorney.
j) Receive and place on file Annual Manure Management Plans for: (Copies on file in Auditor's office)
    1. West Roland Pork #57819, 1236 290th St Callender, IA 50523
    2. Scott Cramer #64802, 2516 390th St Dayton, IA 50530
    3. Fairbanks Site #71997, Co Hwy P29 Clare, IA 50524
k) Receive and place on file Engineer's Office Permits for the following: (Copies on file in Auditor's office)
    1. Utility Permit – MidAmerican Energy; work along Quail Ave in Sec. 5 of Pleasant Valley Twp.

2. Work in Right of Way Permit – NNG; work along Union Ave in Sec. 28 of Colfax Twp.
3. Utility Permit – Lehigh Valley Co-op Telephone; work along 370th St in Sec. 21 of Dayton Twp.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Cochrane, seconded by Conrad to direct the Webster County Assessor to make adjustment to include Disabled Veteran Credit for property owned by Lori Thomas for 2025 tax year and file with the Webster County Treasurer. (copy on file in Auditor's office) Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Conrad, seconded by Montgomery to approve the increase of county costs for funerals from $800.00 to $1,250.00 and transportation fees to and from the State Medical Examiner's Office from $300.00 to $400.00 per trip. (Copy on file in auditor's office) Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Montgomery, seconded by Cochrane to approve and authorize the Conservation Director to sign Amendment 1 for the Community Attraction & Tourism Grant Program with the Iowa Economic Development Authority for the Central River District Park & Pavilion – Phase 2 Project per recommendation of Matt Cosgrove, Conservation Director. (Copy on file in auditor's office) Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Cochrane, seconded by Conrad to receive and place on file bids for Gold Medal Safety Padding for the Webster County Jail. (copy on file in auditor's office) Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Cochrane, seconded by Conrad to approve bid in the amounts of $26,791.00 and $25,462.00 from Marathon Engineering Corporation for padding for Webster County Jail. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Conrad, seconded by Montgomery to approve Resolution. Then amended by Conrad, seconded by Montgomery to amend to recommend RESOLUTION NO. 2026—17 APPROVE BYLAWS AND RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR WEBSTER COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY AUTHORITY with changes in Section 3.07 of bylaws to state "within Webster County, Iowa" instead of "with or without State of Iowa" (Roll call vote). Ayes – Thode, Cochrane, Conrad and Montgomery, Absent: Hayek. (Copy on file in auditor's office) Also on:
https://www.webstercountyia.gov/departments/board_of_supervisors/county_ordinances.php#outer-668
Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Montgomery, seconded by Cochrane to accept the low bid for July 14, 2026 bid letting in the amount of $320,988.58 from Fort Dodge Asphalt for project L-2027(1) – 73-94. (Copy on file in auditor's office) Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Cochrane, seconded by Conrad to approve a contract with Fort Dodge Asphalt for Project L-2027(1)—73-94 in the amount of $320,988.58 and authorize Jamie Johll, County Engineer, to sign the contract documents. (Coyp on file in auditor's office) Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Montgomery, seconded by Cochrane to approve RESOLUTION NO. 2026-16 UPDATING THE SPEED LIMIT ON S RIVER ROAD NORTH OF 230TH ST (Roll call vote). Ayes – Thode, Cochrane, Conrad and Montgomery, Absent: Hayek. (Copy on file in auditor's office) Also on:
https://www.webstercountyia.gov/departments/board_of_supervisors/county_ordinances.php#outer-668
Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Conrad, seconded by Montgomery to consider applicants to fill vacancy for the Office of the Webster County Auditor and Commissioner of Elections, and Appoint Krystal Lloyd, Webster County

Auditor and Commissioner of Elections, pursuant to Iowa Code §69.14A. The period of appointment shall be from the date of appointment until a qualified elector is elected on November 3, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Melissa Loehr from Iowa Primary Care gave presentation to the Board.

Meeting went into recess at 10:58 am until 11:01 am.

Citizens' opportunity to address the Board with items not on agenda:

- Perry Black P29 Barnum Railroad bridge

Moved by Cochrane, seconded by Conrad to allow claims. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Conrad, seconded by Montgomery to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

s/Brenda Angstrom
Interim Auditor, Webster County

s/Austin Hayek
Chair, Webster County Board of Supervisor