

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2025 10:00 A.M.

The Board met in session at the Linn County Jean Oxley Public Service Center. Present: Chairperson Meisheid, Vice Chairperson Running-Marquardt, and Supervisor Scheetz. Board members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted.

Chairperson Meisheid called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Running-Marquardt, seconded by Scheetz to approve accounts payable checks dated 10/1/25 #71019115 to 71019211 in the amount of \$399,027.02; and ACH in the amount of \$1,919,476.31; for a total of \$2,318,503.33.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Running-Marquardt to approve Consent Agenda as follows:

Resolution 2025-10-143

A Resolution approving a Residential Parcel Split for PRICE FIFTH ADDITION TO LINN COUNTY, IOWA.

The following description is a summary of Resolution No. 2025-10-143 as passed and approved by Linn County Board of Supervisors, effective October 1, 2025.

PRICE FIFTH ADDITION TO LINN COUNTY, IOWA (Case # PPS24-0014) to Linn County, Iowa, containing two (2) lots, numbered lot 1 and lettered lot A has been filed for approval, a subdivision of real estate located in the NW NE of Section 03, Township 86 North, Range 05 West of the 5th P.M., Linn County, Iowa, described as follows:

Commencing as a point of reference at the NE corner of said Section 3; thence S88°20'37"W along the north line of said NE frl ¼, 1853.59 feet to the Point of Beginning;

thence S01°39'23"E, 120.28 feet;

thence S88°20'37"W, 151.02 feet;

thence S01°23'59"E, 121.79 feet;

thence S88°27'05"W, 96.34 feet; thence N01°39'23"W, 23.52 feet;

thence N74°46'37"W, 74.32 feet;

thence N01°39'23"W, 196.79 feet to said north line;

thence N88°20'37"E along said north line, 319.03 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 1.29 acres which includes 0.29 acres of road right of way.

The full text of the Resolution may be inspected in the Linn County Auditor's Office located at 935 Second Street SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, during regular business hours, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday or on the Linn County website at www.linncountyiowa.gov.

Approve purchase order PO814 for a 2026 Freightliner M2 chassis with custom-built service body to Maintainer Corp of Iowa in the amount of \$290,897 for the Secondary Road Department.

Set a public hearing for Monday, October 13, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the status of CDBG-DR funded activities for Linn County's Disaster Recovery New Production for Sale Housing Program (Dows Pocket Neighborhood).

Jason Wright, Exec Dir., gave a PowerPoint presentation by The History Center to report on projects completed in fiscal year 2025, and to provide support for their grant application to the fiscal year 2026 Linn County Legacy and Community Attraction Fund. He highlighted that they have no debt and are cash positive for the 10th year in a row.

Supervisor Running-Marquardt stated that she had the honor to serve on The History Center Board when the financial situation was not as good as it is now. Everyone had to work really hard to remain in the cash positive and delivering quality programs for the community in a diverse an geographic way. She can't say enough good things about the work they have done and are still doing.

Chairperson Meisheid asked Wright for his favorite headline from History Headline Hijinks and Wright responded that the newspaper didn't follow anything political and those Italians aren't they crazy.

Supervisor Scheetz thanked Wright for the presentation praising him for being cash positive since he's been the Executive Director. He also commended the Board and Development Committee and all they do to keep The History Center prosperous.

Chairperson Meisheid echoed previous comments and also thanked Wright for his presentation and all and all he and the Board do.

Jake Lindauer, City of Mount Vernon/Lisbon, presented Emergency Medical Services District Petitions to hold a public hearing concerning the establishment of a proposed benefitted emergency medical services district for parts of Bertram, Franklin, Linn, and Putnam Townships. He highlighted that with recent history of Iowa EMS, they are finally getting visibility at state and local levels. The services guaranteed by local governments left out EMS. Members of those townships are submitting petitions to allow for long-term reliable funding for those regions.

Supervisor Running-Marquardt read the petition as follows: The rural Townships in Linn County, Iowa are in need of increased Emergency Medical Services (EMS). A funding source is needed to establish a long-term solution for reliable EMS funding through the creation of a formally recognized taxing district,
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governed by a local EMS board. The funding will be utilized for the continued operations, personnel, equipment, and facility costs of the Lisbon-Mt. Vernon Ambulance Service. The EMS district will include Franklin, Linn, Bertram, and Putnam Townships in Linn County as well as Cedar Township in Johnson County. There are approximately 901 families located in Franklin, Linn, Bertram, and Putnam Townships in Linn County.

The Board acknowledges receipt of the petitions, and they will be submitted to the Auditor's Office for review.

Discussion continued regarding the process after the petitions have been reviewed including publishing requirements.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Running-Marquardt to adopt Resolution 2025-10-144
A RESOLUTION SETTING THE A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROPOSED BENEFITTED EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DISTRICT FOR PARTS OF BERTRAM, FRANKLIN, LINN, AND PUTNAM TOWNSHIPS
WHEREAS, on October 1, 2025, the Linn County Board of Supervisors ("Board") received a petition concerning the establishment of a proposed emergency medical services district for parts of Bertram, Franklin, Linn, and Putnam Townships; and,
WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 357F.4 requires the Board to hold a public hearing within thirty days of the presentation of such a petition.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Linn County Board of Supervisors as follows:
The Board shall hold a public hearing concerning the establishment of a proposed emergency medical services district for parts of Bertram, Franklin, Linn, and Putnam Townships on Wednesday, October 29, 2025, at 10 a.m. in the Formal Board Room of the Jean Oxley Linn County Public Service Center, 935 2nd Street SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, at which time any interested person may appear and be heard regarding the proposed Emergency Medical Services District.
The Board hereby authorizes and directs the publication of a Notice of Public Hearing as required by law.

Garret Reddish, Asst. County Engineer, discussed the following resolutions: to accept public subdivision roads; to establish stop regulations at multiple locations; to establish speed limit; and to establish no parking all in Dows Farm Agri-Community 1st – Phase 1. They have reached a point where Phase 1 construction is complete and are ready to accept 3 roads as public roads and into the Secondary Roads System. Part of accepting roads is adopting resolutions to approve stop signs, speed limit and no parking signs.

Discussion continued regarding parking, including short term, deliveries and designated parking areas.

Chairperson Meisheid stated that she appreciates Reddish reviewing all this information as this is a unique development.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Running-Marquardt to adopt Resolution 2025-10-145
A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT PUBLIC SUBDIVISION ROADS IN DOWS FARM AGRI-COMMUNITY 1ST – PHASE 1
WHEREAS, the following named roads as shown on the Final Plat of Dows Farm Agri-Community 1st located in section 20-83-6, Linn County, Iowa, have been constructed in accordance with approved plans and specifications to wit:

- Agri Parkway
- Bottom Land Lane
- Pumpkin Patch Lane

WHEREAS, Dows Agri Community Development LLC, owner and developer of said subdivision, has requested that said roads be accepted into the Linn County Secondary Road System, and
WHEREAS, a certificate of completion, certifying that the construction was done in accordance with approved plans and specifications, has been submitted by Linn County as per "County Standard Specifications".

WHEREAS, a four (4) year maintenance bond has been received from E & F Paving Company, LLC, Swiss Re Corporate Solutions America Insurance Corporation as Surety.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Linn County, that the above-named roads be hereby accepted into the Linn County Secondary Road System and the Linn County Engineer be directed to assume the maintenance of said roads in accordance with the Linn County Road Maintenance Policy.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Running-Marquardt to adopt Resolution 2025-10-146
A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH STOP REGULATIONS IN DOWS FARM AGRI-COMMUNITY 1ST – PHASE 1
WHEREAS, the roads known as Agri Parkway, Bottom Land Lane, and Pumpkin Patch Lane in Dows Farm Agri-Community 1st, located in section 20-83-6, Linn County, Iowa, have been accepted into the Linn County Secondary Road System, and

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary to take appropriate actions to ensure the safety of the traveling public, and

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WHEREAS, upon recommendation of the Linn County Engineer, it has been determined that public safety would be enhanced by the installation of stop signs at specified locations within the subdivision.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Linn County Board of Supervisors, meeting in regular session, that stop signs shall be erected at the following locations:

- Stop southbound traffic on Agri Parkway at Mount Vernon Rd SE
- Stop westbound traffic on Hackberry Loop (private road) at Agri Parkway (two legs)
- Stop eastbound traffic on Cabbage Patch Lane (private road) at Agri Parkway (two legs)
- Stop eastbound traffic on Bottom Land Lane at Agri Parkway
- Stop eastbound traffic on Pumpkin Patch Lane at Agri Parkway
- Stop northbound traffic on Cabbage Patch Place (private road) at Bottom Land Lane
- Stop southbound traffic on private alley at Bottom Land Lane
- Stop northbound traffic on private alley at Pumpkin Patch Lane (eastbound leg)
- Stop northbound traffic on crossover at Pumpkin Patch Lane (westbound leg)
- Stop southbound traffic on crossover at Pumpkin Patch Lane (eastbound leg)
- Stop eastbound traffic on Pumpkin Patch Lane at Agri Parkway

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Linn County Engineer is hereby directed to cause the appropriate signage to be installed in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the public is hereby advised that the provisions of Section 321 of the Code of Iowa, entitled "Motor Vehicles and Law of the Road," shall apply and are valid and enforceable.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Running-Marquardt to adopt Resolution 2025-10-147

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH SPEED LIMIT IN DOWS FARM AGRI-COMMUNITY 1ST – PHASE 1

WHEREAS, the Linn County Board of Supervisors is empowered under the provisions of Iowa Code Sections 321.255 and 321.285 to determine, upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, that the speed limit on any secondary road is greater than is reasonable and proper under existing conditions, and may establish and declare a reasonable and proper speed limit, and

WHEREAS, the roads known as Agri Parkway, Bottom Land Lane, and Pumpkin Patch Lane located in Dows Farm Agri-Community 1st, section 20-83-6, Linn County, Iowa, have been accepted into the Linn County Secondary Road System, and

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary to implement measures to enhance the safety of the traveling public.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Linn County Board of Supervisors, meeting in regular session, that the following speed limits are hereby established, and that appropriate signage be erected accordingly:

- 25 mph on Agri Parkway
- 25 mph on Bottom Land Lane
- 25 mph on Pumpkin Patch Lane

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Linn County Engineer is hereby directed to cause the appropriate signage to be installed in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the public is hereby advised that the provisions of Section 321 of the Code of Iowa, entitled "Motor Vehicles and Law of the Road," shall apply and are valid and enforceable.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Running-Marquardt to adopt Resolution 2025-10-148

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH NO PARKING IN DOWS FARM AGRI-COMMUNITY 1ST – PHASE 1

WHEREAS, Section 26-50 of the Code of Ordinances for Linn County, Iowa provides that the Linn County Board of Supervisors may designate no parking zones upon recommendation of the Linn County Engineer, and

WHEREAS, the Linn County Engineer recommends a no parking zone within the travel way on public roads within Dows Farm Agri-Community 1st which includes Agri Parkway, Pumpkin Patch Lane and Bottom Land Lane, and

WHEREAS, designated parking bays have been provided for public parking purposes within the subdivision.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Linn County Board of Supervisors that no parking restrictions are hereby established as follows:

No parking shall be permitted within the travel way of Agri Parkway, Pumpkin Patch Lane, and Bottom Land Lane.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Linn County Engineer is hereby directed to cause the appropriate signage to be installed in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the public is hereby advised that the provisions of Section 321 of the Code of Iowa, entitled "Motor Vehicles and Law of the Road," shall apply and are valid and enforceable.

Charlie Nichols, Planning & Development Dir., discussed establishing an application fee for rezoning to EU-2 Exclusive Use-Two, Nuclear Energy Generating Facility and Nuclear Waste Storage District. NextEra is ready to submit an application to zone land to Exclusive Use, however the closest parallel to this situation the county has is the solar project overlay. Nichols is suggesting a \$40k base fee and then adding on \$75-100 per megawatt generated.

Supervisor Running-Marquardt stated that this is just the application fee and not the host community agreement. She would like to aim for the higher end of the application for fees as she feels it would be fair and reasonable.

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Chairperson Meisheid stated that she appreciates Nichols's math equation and the thought process with the base fee and what the future might look like. It is appropriate for a futuristic outlook. Meisheid is ok

with the higher number as over time things will continue to be expensive and she wants to make sure their bases are covered.

Supervisor Scheetz stated that he agrees with his colleagues. This is a very good balance and there is no price gouging. This ensures that they are covered for the costs.

Nichols added that the next step is to prepare a resolution. The consensus of the Board is that the resolution can be placed on the consent agenda as long as they are able to review in advance.

Mike Tertinger, Planning & Development, stated that they have not received any oral or written objections for the Third and Final Consideration of a request to rezone 3.48 acres located at 3301 Lewis Bottoms Road, Palo, Iowa from Renewable Energy Overlay - Agricultural (RE-AG) to Agricultural (AG).

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Running-Marquardt to approve Third and Final Consideration of Ordinance 8-10-2025 a request to rezone 3.48 acres located at 3301 Lewis Bottoms Road, Palo, Iowa from Renewable Energy Overlay - Agricultural (RE-AG) to Agricultural (AG).

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Running-Marquardt to adopt Resolution 2025-10-149

A Resolution approving a Final Plat for POTTS FARM FIRST ADDITION...

The following description is a summary of Resolution No. 2025-10-149 as passed and approved by Linn County Board of Supervisors, effective October 1, 2025.

POTTS FARM FIRST ADDITION (Case # PF25-0013) to Linn County, Iowa, containing five (5) lots, numbered lot 1, lettered lot A, lettered lot B, Outlot A and Outlot B has been filed for approval, a subdivision of real estate located in the NW SE of Section 08, Township 84 North, Range 08 West of the 5th P.M., Linn County, Iowa, described as follows:

Commencing as a point of reference at the S ¼ Corner of said Section 8;

thence N02°14'33"W along the west line of the SE ¼ of said Section 8, 1341.55 feet to the SW corner of said NW¼ SE ¼ and the Point of Beginning;

thence continuing N02°14'33"W along said west line, 855.50 feet;

thence N87°44'49"E, 33.00 feet to the east right of way line of Lewis Bottoms Road;

thence N02°14'33"W along said east right of way line, 60.35 feet;

thence S87°47'33"W, 33.00 feet to the west line of the NE¼ of said Section 8;

thence N02°14'33"W along said west line of the NE¼, 148.36 feet;

thence N88°10'28"E, 660.02 feet; thence S02°14'33"E, 328.88 feet;

thence N88°42'44"E, 667.65 feet to the NE corner of said NW¼ SE¼;

thence S02°09'42"E along the east line of said NW¼ SE 1/4, 1349.52 feet to the SE corner thereof;

thence S89°03'28"W along the south line of said NW¼ SE ¼, 1325.99 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 45.41 acres which includes 0.76 acres of road right of way.

The full text of the Resolution may be inspected in the Linn County Auditor's Office located at 935 Second Street SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, during regular business hours, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday or on the Linn County website at www.linncountyiowa.gov.

Brent Oleson, Treasurer, presented a Vacancy Form for a full-time Universal Clerk in the Treasurer's Office. He met with the Board members individually to discuss these positions. The Universal Clerk is an upgrade from a previous Clerk position that did not meet the needs of the office.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Running-Marquardt to approve a Vacancy Form for a full-time Universal Clerk in the Treasurer's Office.

Oleson also presented a Vacancy Form for a full-time Accounting Manager in the Treasurer's Office. This position is an upgrade of the Accounting Analyst position that was created before he became Treasurer. He was in favor of the Accounting Analyst position having been a management position originally out of necessity for what he wants his office to accomplish in the next few years.

Supervisor Running-Marquardt stated that this position came before the Board during the offer pot process of the budget. He worked with Human Resources for the justification and operational need of this position. There is currently money in his budget to fund the position.

Chairperson Meisheid stated that Oleson approached her about this position and she asked him to make a case for it. If Human Resources and Finance would sign off on it, she would be supportive as well.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Running-Marquardt to approve a Vacancy Form for a full-time Accounting Manager in the Treasurer's Office.

Sara Bearrows, Budget Dir., presented a Resolution to approve an Interfund Transfer of \$88,655.68 from the Conservation Land Acquisition fund to the Conservation Gifts and Donation fund.

Motion by Meisheid, seconded by Running-Marquardt to adopt Resolution 2025-10-150

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WHEREAS, it is desired to transfer monies from the Conservation Land Acquisition fund to the Conservation Gifts and Donations fund and,

WHEREAS, said operating transfer is in accordance with Section 331.432, Code of Iowa,
NOW, therefore be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Linn County, Iowa, as follows:
The sum of \$88,655.68 is ordered to be transferred from the Conservation Land Acquisition fund to the Conservation Gifts and Donations fund, as allowed under the Code of Iowa maximum transfer limits, for the establishment of Conservation gifts and donations in a new fund.

Public Comment: Kirsten Running-Marquardt, 3515 Field Stone Place SW, Cedar Rapids, stated that the flower boxes are the first thing people see when entering the Public Service Center. They are beautiful and filled with an array of flowers that makes their building look great. It really sets the tone for the building. The Treasurer and staff have taken it upon themselves to fund these flowers and take the time and energy to take care of them. There is a lot of teamwork across the county and the little things speak to the excellence of service and they do not go unnoticed. She extended her appreciation.

Adjournment at 10:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

TODD E. TAYLOR, Linn County Auditor

By: Amanda Brown, Deputy Auditor

Approved by:

BRANDY Z. MEISHEID, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors