JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PROCEEDINGS
February 23, 2026

At 8:30 A.M., Chair Drish called the meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order. The meeting was held in the first-floor meeting room of the Jefferson County Courthouse.

Board members present were: Susie Drish, Chairman; Joe Ledger, Vice-Chairman; Lee Dimmitt, Supervisor.

It was moved by Dimmitt, seconded by Ledger that the minutes for the February 9th, and February 12th, 2026 meetings be acknowledged. All "Aye". Motion carried.

Supervisors met with the County Engineer.

It was moved by Dimmitt, seconded by Ledger to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors that the following wage rate and classification for Secondary Road Department full time employee shown below be effective March 1, 2026.

Employee	Current Rate	Title	Pay Range	Step	Base Wage	Certs	Lgvty	Total Rate
Dylan Coffman	$33.00	EO	12	F	$32.50	$0.50	$0.10	$33.10
Tom Lankford	$32.85	EO	12	F	$32.50	$0.10	$0.30	$32.90
Bryan Lauderman	$33.25	EO	12	F	$32.50	$0.50	$0.30	$33.30

Passing this 23rd day of February, 2026.

Ayes:
Joe Ledger
Susie Drish
Lee Dimmitt

Nays:
None

Attest:
Christy Conner, Jefferson County Auditor

It was motioned by Ledger, seconded by Dimmitt to approve the following resolution:

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BE IT RESOLVED, by the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors that the following wage rate and classification for Secondary Road Department full time employee shown below be effective March 1, 2026.

Employee	Current Rate	Title	Pay Range	Step	Base Wage	Certs	Lgvty	Total Rate
Rick Giberson	$ 26.53	MS1	14	A	$31.07	$0.10	$ -	$31.17

Passing this 23rd day of February, 2026.

AYES:
Joe Ledger
Susie Drish
Lee Dimmitt

NAYS:
None

Attest:
Christy Conner, Jefferson County Auditor

Supervisors discussed load embargo for 227th. Discussion tabled.

The Board met with the Ambulance Director.

Supervisors discussed Medical Director's insurance.

RESOLUTION

It is so moved by Ledger, seconded by Dimmitt that the Board of Supervisors of Jefferson County approve the hiring of Samuel Boyer, a certified Paramedic, for a PRN position, pending completion of the pre-employment process, with an anticipated start date of March 1st, 2026, at the hourly rate of $27/hr. Motion carried.

AYES:
Susie Drish
Joe Ledger
Lee Dimmitt

NAYS;
None

Attestation: Christy Conner, County Auditor

It was motioned by Dimmitt, seconded by Ledger to present the lease agreement to the Sanitarian for signature and authorize the Board Chair to sign. All "Aye". Motion carried.

It was motioned by Dimmitt, seconded by Ledger to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

WHEREAS, **Jefferson** County, Iowa is a participating jurisdiction in the AHEAD Regional Housing Trust Fund (RHTF); and

WHEREAS, the **Jefferson** County Board of Supervisors supports the programs and services of the AHEAD RHTF.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, to support the on-going efforts of the AHEAD RHTF **Jefferson** County, Iowa has fully committed a base contribution of **$ 3,133.00** plus an additional $0 as local match to the AHEAD RHTF upon its FY2027 funding by the State Housing Trust Fund/Iowa Finance Authority. Contribution to be submitted to AHEAD Regional Housing Trust Fund prior to January 1, 2027.

Adopted this 23rd day of February, 2026.

Jefferson County Board of Supervisors

Susie Drish, Chairperson
Joe Ledger, Supervisor
Lee Dimmitt, Supervisor

ATTEST:
Christy Conner, County Auditor

It was motioned by Dimmitt, seconded by Drish to set the date of March 23rd, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. for proposed property tax notice hearing. All "Aye". Motion carried.

Supervisors met with President of the Fair Board, Brent Pacha, to discuss donation to Fair Board.

Supervisors met with KCTC to go over phone system proposal.

The Board met with LISCO to discuss VOIP phone system proposal.

Supervisors discussed appointing Steve Burgmeier to the Board of Health. Discussion was tabled.

It was motioned by Dimmitt, seconded by Drish to approve the appointment of Mary Ellis to the Compensation Commission. All “Aye”. Motion carried.

The Board met with Courthouse Maintenance Supervisor.

Committee Reports: Dimmitt reported on ECI, Assessor’s Office Conference Board, KBIZ interview, and met with FCSD teachers on Friday. Ledger reported on Assessor’s Conference Board meeting and Legislative forum. Drish reported on EMA and 911 meetings and Assessor’s Conference Board.

Public Comment: Chris Estle discussed increasing the number of Board of Health representatives should be run by members of that Board. Brett Ferrell discussed rescheduling Courthouse safety training due to schedule conflicts.

It was moved by Dimmitt, seconded by Ledger to allow the claims against the county in the amount of $157,154.75 and to direct the county auditor to issue checks against the various funds of the county in payment of the claims allowed. All “Aye”. Motion carried.

A budget work session was held.

It was moved by Dimmitt to adjourn. Drish seconded. All “Aye”. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Christy L. Conner	Susie Drish, Chairman
County Auditor	Board of Supervisors