

July 29, 2025

The Bremer County Board of Supervisors met in session on Tuesday, July 29, 2025 in the Courthouse, Waverly, Iowa, at 9:00 a.m. Hildebrandt, Brunkhorst present. Cerwinske present by phone where noted. Unless otherwise noted all actions were approved unanimously. Some Resolutions and Ordinances herein are summary descriptions, full text is available for viewing online at: [https://www.bremercounty.iowa.gov/government/resolutions\\_and\\_ordinances.php](https://www.bremercounty.iowa.gov/government/resolutions_and_ordinances.php) and also available M – F 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM in the Bremer County Auditor’s office.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Hildebrandt. Brunkhorst moved/Hildebrandt second to approve the agenda with the addition of consideration of a request from Northern Natural Gas. Darius P. Robinson, Co. Attorney & Barbara Meeker, Human Resource Mgr., present until noted.

Brunkhorst moved/Hildebrandt second to approve the 7/22/25 minutes.

Brunkhorst moved/Hildebrandt second to approve claims as listed below and authorize Auditor to issue checks.

Brunkhorst moved/Hildebrandt second to approve a payroll addition for Christopher Haislet, Jailer, full time, \$49,620/yr. effective 8/11/25; payroll changes for Jailer step increases: Bridget Irons & Evan Nixon, from \$58,656/yr. to \$59,758/yr. effective 7/27/25; Luke Callaway, from \$48,175/yr. to \$49,620/yr. effective 8/10/25.

Brunkhorst moved/Hildebrandt second to accept the resignation/retirement of Sue Lahr, CBS Director.

Brunkhorst moved/Hildebrandt second to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 25-79 IN SUPPORT OF LOCAL OPTION SALES AND SERVICES TAX ELECTION. WHEREAS, Chapter 423B of the Code of Iowa authorizes County Boards of Supervisors to impose a local option sales and services tax (the “Local Option Tax”) within incorporated cities and the unincorporated area of counties, following an election at which the registered voters in various jurisdictions vote in favor of such tax; and WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 423B(4)(b) of the Code of Iowa, the question of changing the use of local option sales and services tax proceeds in and for the City of Plainfield, Iowa, shall be submitted to eligible registered voters upon receipt by the County Commissioner of Elections of the motion or motions requesting such submission adopted by the governing body or bodies representing at least one half of the population of the County; and WHEREAS, the City of Plainfield, Iowa, desires to change the use of local option sales and services tax proceeds in and for the City of Plainfield, Iowa, to take effect on July 1, 2026 or as soon thereafter as possible; and WHEREAS, the City of Plainfield, Iowa, has requested that the County of Bremer, Iowa, submit a motion to the Bremer County Commissioner of Elections requesting that the question of changing the use of local option sales and services tax proceeds in and for the City of Plainfield, Iowa, be submitted to the relevant eligible registered voters, and it is now necessary for the City to consider such a motion; NOW, THEREFORE, be it moved and resolved by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Bremer, Iowa, as follows: Section 1. This Board of Supervisors hereby expresses its support for the calling of an election on November 4, 2025, or as soon thereafter as is possible on the question of changing the use of local option sales and services tax proceeds in and for the City of Plainfield, Iowa. Section 2. The County shall submit this motion and resolution to the Bremer County Commissioner of Elections in satisfaction of the requirements of

Section 423B(4)(b) of the Code of Iowa, requesting that the question of changing the use of local option sales and services tax proceeds in and for the City of Plainfield, Iowa, be submitted to eligible registered voters. Section 3. All resolutions and orders or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this resolution, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed. Passed and approved this 4<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025.

Board/Committee updates: Brunkhorst attended the Opioid Task Force meeting; Central IA Detention Board & Waverly Chamber of Commerce.

Board considered a request from the family of Wes Hicok to plant an ornamental tree in his memory. Consensus of the board is to incorporate the memorial planting into the courthouse landscape planning & design. Scott LaRue, GIS/Maintenance, present.

Cerwinski joined the meeting by phone.

Angela Nelson, Mental Health Advocate, met with the board to continue the July 1<sup>st</sup> & July 15<sup>th</sup> conversations requesting establishment of Bremer County as her Employer of Record for Mental Health Advocate services for six counties. Consensus of the board is to continue as is and asked Nelson to make the request to Fayette Co. since they are already employer of record for all counties, except Bremer Co., that Nelson provides services to. Robinson exited.

Barbara Meeker, HR Mgr., on behalf of the Interviewing Committee for Roadside Vegetation Mgr., presented the committee's recommendation. Landon Moore, County Engineer, present.

Brunkhorst moved/Cerwinski second to offer the Roadside Vegetation Mgr. position to Nickolas Joss beginning 8/11/25, \$59,500/yr. for 90 days then assess status of certifications acquired; once required certifications are attained wage will increase to \$62,598/yr. Cerwinski & Meeker exited.

Board met with Landon Moore, County Engineer, for a weekly department update.

Brunkhorst moved/Hildebrandt second to authorize Board Chair to sign an Agreement for an IDOT initiated detour of Primary Highways onto Local Roads – temporary closure of IA HWY 93 for culvert replacement from Co Rd V56 to Co Rd V68 to detour onto V56 and Co Rd C33.

Brunkhorst moved/Hildebrandt second to authorize signatures on the plan set for Project L-L-1-125—73-09 Bridge No. 01-01 – bridge construction on Butler Ave.

Brunkhorst moved/Hildebrandt second to authorize Co. Engineer Moore and Conservation Director, Andy Hockenson to respond to the request from Northern Natural Gas to complete a herbicide application survey by 7/30/25.

Brunkhorst moved/Hildebrandt second to adjourn at 10:26 a.m.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular session of the July 29, 2025 meeting of the Bremer County Board of Supervisors.

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Dewey Hildebrandt, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Shelley Wolf, Auditor

Claims Publication Summary 7/29/25:

Alliant Energy - IP&L	Utilities	445.02	2
BMC Aggregates LC	Road Rock	101,487.49	10
Bremer Co Sheriff	Service of Notice	900.53	2
Bremer County General Assistance	Utilities	140.21	
Bruening Rock Products, Inc.	Road Rock	1,494.35	
Central Iowa Distributing Inc	Jail Supplies	192.00	
Century Link	Phone Service	100.37	
Cooley Sanitation Llc Cooley Pumping LLC	Landfill Waste Disposal	1,800.00	
Daria T Shahriari Rpr Csr	Court Transcripts	655.00	
East-Central Iowa Rec	Intersection Lightning	46.71	
Elizabeth A Fagerlind	Custodial Services	650.00	
Elsamiller Electric Co	Building Maintenance	101.44	
Farmers Win Coop	Heating Fuel	85.00	
Frank Dunn Co.	Cold Patch	630.00	
Garry'S Tire Service Inc	Vehicle Repair	1,512.44	
Gordon Flesch Co Inc	Copier Lease	13.11	
Heartland Asphalt Inc	C33 Project	157,753.24	
Inrcog	Annual Dues	3,768.12	
Iowa State University	Conference Registration	375.00	
Kaiser Corson Funeral Home Inc	Autosv Transport	390.00	
Mansfield Oil Co Of Gainesville	Diesel	18,705.47	
Mccloud Services	Monthly Pest Service	210.68	
Mercyone Waverly	Medical Examiner	87.50	
Meyer Construction Inc	Office Roof Project	31,809.00	
Midamerican Energy Co	Utilities	20.20	
Miller Hardware	Parts	5.49	
Rodney Diercks	Medical Examiner	223.75	
RTC Communications	Utilities	34.24	
Schaeffer Mfg Co	Diesel	1,654.65	
Snap On Tools	Tools	69.50	
Spahn & Rose Lumber Co	Sign Materials	29.85	
Stokes Welding	Equipment Parts	51.00	
Subsurface	Culvert Materials	73,489.00	
Summit Food Service LLC	Inmate Meals	10,298.98	
Tifco Industries	Parts	537.54	
US Cellular Corp	Phone Service	169.68	2
Visa	Business Expense	3,117.18	8
Waverly Newspapers	Publications	484.00	2
Waverly Senior Center	Insurance Reimbursement	3,500.00	
Waverly Utilities	Internet Service	15.27	
Wayne'S Truck Equipment & Part	Tire Balancing	340.00	2
Webster Co Auditor	Building Rent	1,782.04	
Zip'S Truck Equipment Inc	Parts	697.77	
	Total	419,872.82	
Assessor's			
IA Dept Of Revenue	Education Fees	10.00	
Jill Eckenrod	Lodging/Mileage Reimbursemen	523.60	
Leaf	Copier Lease	241.46	
US Cellular Corp	Phone Service	21.37	
Visa	Business Expense	562.90	
	Total	1,359.33	
CBS			
Midamerican Energy Co	Utilities	5.80	
Regional Transit Commission	Transportation	1,344.00	
Storey Kenworthy /Matt Parrott	Office Supplies	117.06	
Verizon Wireless	Mobile Data	320.08	
Visa	Business Expense	55.00	
	Total	1,841.94	
	Grand Total	423,074.09	