

April 21st, 2026

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 9:03 am by Chairman Kent Grabill. Present at the meeting were Kent Grabill, Don Mosinski, Heath Hansen, Chassity Musfeldt, Clark Borkowski, Rod Benton, Lisa Frederiksen, Tiffany Henkle and William Baylor.

Motion- Mosinski Second- Hansen to approve the agenda. Vote-all in favor. Motion- Mosinski Second- Hansen to approve flying/displaying the Iowa Bar Association Flag in celebration of the 250th anniversary of the Founding of the United States of America. Vote-all in favor. Motion- Mosinski Second- Hansen to approve Resolution 2026-19 appointing Nick Henkle as a representative on the Civil Service Commission as follows. Vote-all in favor.

Resolution 2026-19

Be it hereby resolved by the Audubon County Board of Supervisors, that Nick Henkle be appointed as their Representative on the Civil Service Commission. His term should expire on August 15th, 2029.

Dated this 21st day of April, 2026, with the vote thereon being as follows:

Ayes: Hansen, Mosinski, Grabill Nays: none

Audubon County Board of Supervisors
/s/Kent Grabill

Chairperson
Attest: /s/ Chassity Musfeldt

Audubon County Auditor/Clerk
Motion- Hansen Second- Mosinski to approve Resolution 2026-20 setting the date and time for a public hearing regarding a temporary moratorium on data centers in Audubon County as follows. Vote-all in favor.

Resolution 2026-20

A resolution setting date and time for public hearing regarding a temporary moratorium on Data Centers

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 331.302 requires a county to compile ordinances every 5 years, and the County currently does not have a specific ordinance pertaining to commercial Data Centers; and
WHEREAS, the County has an interest in protecting residents' life, health, and safety as well as safeguarding the County's infrastructure, natural resources and property rights through adequate zoning standards;
WHEREAS, Data Storage Centers is defined as a facility consisting of one or more buildings (whether constructed simultaneously or in separate phases) used primarily for the storage, management, processing, and transmission of digital data, which houses computer or network equipment, systems, servers, appliances, and other associated components related to digital data storage and operations. Data Storage Center included commercial cryptocurrency mining operations and processing.

WHEREAS, the Audubon Board of Supervisors and the Planning & Zoning Commission will require time to gather information and coordinate with different agencies for the purpose of reviewing, updating or creating ordinances, policies, and procedures relative to commercial Data Center development;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; That a public hearing be held on May 5th, 2026 at 10:15 a.m. in the Audubon County Board of Supervisors Meeting Room to hear comments from the public or other interested parties on a proposed resolution enacting a temporary moratorium on accepting or processing any applications for the construction of Data Centers, until May 1, 2027 or until such time as the county is able to implement appropriate zoning ordinances regulating such systems. Dated at Audubon County, Iowa this 21st day of April, 2026

/s/Kent Grabill

Kent Grabill, Chairperson, Board of Supervisors
ATTEST By: /s/Chassity Musfeldt

Chassity Musfeldt, Auditor Clerk

Motion- Mosinski Second- Hansen to approve Resolution 2026-21 setting the date and time for a public hearing regarding a temporary extension moratorium on utility-scale Battery Energy Storage Systems in Audubon County as follows. Vote-all in favor.

Resolution 2026-21

A resolution setting date and time for public hearing regarding a temporary extension moratorium on utility-scale Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS)

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 331.302 requires a county to compile ordinances every 5 years, and the County currently does not have a specific ordinance pertaining to utility-scale Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS); and WHEREAS, the County has an interest in protecting residents’ life, health, and safety as well as safeguarding the County’s infrastructure, natural resources and property rights through adequate zoning standards;

WHEREAS, the Audubon Board of Supervisors and the Planning & Zoning Commission will require additional time to gather information and coordinate with different agencies for the purpose of reviewing, updating or creating ordinances, policies, and procedures relative to utility-scale BESS development;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; That a public hearing be held on May 5th, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. in the Audubon County Board of Supervisors Meeting Room to hear comments from the public or other interested parties on a proposed resolution enacting a temporary extension moratorium on accepting or processing any applications for the construction of utility-scale BESS, until May 1, 2027 or until such time as the county is able to implement appropriate zoning ordinances regulating such systems.

Dated at Audubon County, Iowa this 21st day of April, 2026

/s/Kent Grabill

Kent Grabill, Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST By: /s/Chassity Musfeldt

Chassity Musfeldt, Auditor Clerk

Public Comment was opened at 9:15 am. Clark Borkowski announced there will be an Exira City Council meeting on April 30th, 2026, to discuss options moving forward with the water issues. Rod Benton joined the Supervisor’s meeting to discuss the Veteran’s Memorial Wall in front of the Courthouse. The current Memorial Wall needs major repairs. Benton proposed tearing down the current wall and replacing it with a sturdy black granite one. This would provide additional space for more names and be easier to maintain. The Exira American Legion would be willing to expand the fall fundraiser to all of Audubon County to cover costs of engraving the names if this gets built. Most of the funding for this project would come from grants. Benton provided an estimate of costs for this project.

Motion- Hansen Second- Mosinski to approve claims as submitted by various departments to be paid in the amount \$447,121.85 and published in a separate publication at the end of the month. Vote-all in favor. Supervisors updated VA Director Baylor on the meeting with Rod Benton regarding the Veteran’s Memorial Wall. Baylor has been in contact with the Exira Legion and has been working with them to get contacts/donors lined up. Motion-Mosinski Second- Hansen to approve the meeting minutes from 4-14-26. Vote-all in favor.

Supervisors discussed the repayment from the City of Brayton for the Brayton Road project. Chairman Grabill will reach out to Brayton and Engineer Rydl to set up a meeting.

Lisa Frederiksen gave Auditor Office Updates. The custodial supply company was in and put an order in for Courthouse supplies. Interviews for the Custodian/Maintenance position are set to be held this week. The Public Test for the upcoming primary election is set to be held on Friday April 24th, 2026. Frederiksen added a project number for coding of all the Wellness Claims. The Auditor’s Office will have trainings this Tuesday and Thursday on the new Election equipment.

Planning & Zoning Director Tiffany Henkle met with Supervisors to discuss the variance approval from yesterday’s Board of Adjustment meeting. Chad & Stacie Huess received the approval for the construction of a building requiring a zoning variance. Supervisors discussed the Road Use Tax funds to the Cities. Meeting adjourned at 10:27 am.

/s/Kent Grabill

/s/Chassity Musfeldt

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest: Audubon County Auditor Clerk