

Approved Emmet County Board of Supervisor Minutes
February 24, 2026 at 08:30 a.m.
Regular Meeting
Board Room, Courthouse

Present:Lisa Hansen, Chair (via Zoom); Jeff Quastad; Tim Schumacher, Vice-Chair; Todd Glasnapp; John Pluth

Media: Mike Tidemann, Ed Funston

Emmet County Employees present: Walter Davis-Oeth, Allison Fisher

Vice Chair Schumacher, called the meeting to order. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by Quastad, second by Glasnapp to approve the board meeting minutes from 2-17-2026, also approving them for publication. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion to approve agenda by Hansen, second by Pluth. All ayes. Motion carried.

Committee updates: Hansen-County Department Head meeting and SHIELD; Glasnapp-NW Iowa Regional Housing and Corridor; Schumacher-RIDES.

Public forum: Auditor Goebel gave notice of the Public Hearing scheduled for February 26, 2026 at 7 p.m. Iowa Lakes Community College, Room 16, use entrance one. Public comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker. Topic is the Amendment to the 2013 Emmet County, Iowa Article XVI Wind Energy Regulations Ordinance planning and zoning recommendations to the Emmet County Board of Supervisors.

Goebel also shared the county office filing period for the 2026 Primary Election Democratic or Republican candidate filing period will be open March 2 to March 20. County offices up for re-election are County Attorney, County Treasurer, County Recorder, Two seats of County Board of Supervisors. Paperwork is available in the County Auditor’s Office or on Iowa Secretary of State’s website.

Glasnapp and Quastad brought forth job description and ad for publication of job opening of county weed commissioner. Walter Davis-Oeth and Allison Fisher joined the meeting for weed commissioner discussion. Fisher will prepare the job posting verbiage discussed in the meeting for publication. Review of another county’s job description to use as a basis for the Emmet County Weed Commissioner position.

DRAINAGE: Goebel shared an update on DD44 recent email from the Army Corps of Engineers. Current permit would not meet the General Condition of Aquatic Life Movements. Letter suggested exploring alternative sediment reduction options. Drainage engineer, Collin Klingbeil, discussed over phone the synopsis of the letter received from the Army Corp of Engineers.

Pluth and a couple of other volunteers want to go up to inspect the roof project on High Lake Building.

Goebel shared email from Melissa Lutat regarding the next steps the Ag Extension needs to take place about the possibility of a remodel of the Estherville Building at the Fair Grounds. No board action needed today. Schumacher expressed that a Memorandum of Understanding be developed. Fair Board needs to be actively involved with the plans. Pluth would like the Fair Board to come back with a proposal and plan.

Hansen shared Board of Supervisors’ invitation to the Farm Bureau Meeting, Monday, March 16th at 12:00 to 1.

Board reviewed manure management plans:

Facility	Owner	Site
Farm 228-Booth	New Fashion Pork	#66621
Farm 266-Erickson	New Fashion Pork	#69231
Farm 252-Ivey	New Fashion Pork	#68755

Board reviewed the Treasurer’s Semi-Annual Report for July 2025 to December 2025.

Motion by Pluth, second by Quastad to adjourn at 9:24 a.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board adjourned to a budget work session.

Heidi Goebel, County Auditor

Tim Schumacher, Vice-Chair