

Board Minutes February 17, 2026

The Adams County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 9:00 AM with the following members present: Scott Akin, Chris Standley, Leland Shipley, Tony Hardisty and Bobbi Maynes. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Standley at 9:00 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Akin moved, seconded by Maynes to approve the agenda and the minutes of the February 9th meeting. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried. There were no public comments.

Secondary Roads Update – Calhoun and Burns recommend Jasper 1 as a historic bridge. Prescott 24 is open. Held a pre-construction meeting with Dixon Construction for Lincoln 3 and 4. They will start mid-March. A detour will be in place for about a year. Posted Dust Control policy on the website, Facebook and newspaper. Also contacted last year's customers. The new truck should be here in next few weeks. Installing a driveway today. Have received a draft agreement with BNSF.

Shipley moved, seconded by Hardisty to approve going into closed session pursuant Iowa code 21.5(1)(j) - To discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for that property. The minutes and the audio recording of a session closed under this paragraph shall be available for public examination when the transaction discussed is completed, at 9:11 am. Ayes: Shipley, Hardisty, Maynes, Akin, Standley. Nays: none. Motion carried. Shipley moved, seconded by Akin to approve going out of closed session pursuant Iowa code 21.5(1)(j) at 9:31 am. Ayes: Shipley, Hardisty, Maynes, Akin, Standley. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Maynes moved, seconded by Akin to table discussion and possible action on Ordinance Chapter 6, General Assistance, burial assistance portion until next week. All supervisors vote ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution 2026-11

28E AGREEMENT BETWEEN Adams County, Iowa AND Adams Community Economic Development Corp.

WHEREAS, Adams County, Iowa, and the Adams Community Economic Development Corp. seek to enhance collaboration in economic development efforts within the County and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, both entities recognize the benefits of entering into a 28E Agreement pursuant to Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa for the purpose of cooperation and sharing of resources; and

WHEREAS, the agreement proposes that the Executive Director of Adams Community Economic Development Corp. be designated as an employee of Adams County, thus becoming eligible for County employee benefits in accordance with applicable policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of the agreement, Adams County shall be responsible for providing employee benefits for the Executive Director, and the Adams Community Economic Development Corp. shall provide full reimbursement to the County for the Executive Director's compensation and any ancillary costs; and

WHEREAS, Adams Community Economic Development Corp. shall retain control over the appointment, compensation, and direction of the Economic Development Director and such matters shall be the sole responsibility of the Adams Community Economic Development Corp.; and

WHEREAS, this agreement is intended to strengthen the relationship between the County and Adams Community Economic Development Corp., improve administrative efficiency, and support ongoing economic development initiatives for the parties; and

WHEREAS, the terms and conditions of said agreement shall be outlined in this agreement and attached as an Exhibit hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Adams, Iowa, that the 28E Agreement between the County and Adams Community Economic Development Corp., as attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby approved and adopted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair of the Adams County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of Adams County, Iowa, and to take all necessary actions to implement the provisions therein.

Shipley moved, seconded by Hardisty to approve Resolution 2026-11 Approving a 28E Agreement with Adams Community Economic Development Corp. Ayes: Shipley, Hardisty, Maynes, Standley. Nays: none. Abstain: Akin. Motion carried. The full resolution is on file in the Auditor's Office.

Discussion was held on the 28E agreement with Taylor County regarding Veterans Affairs. The board would like to meet with Taylor County Attorney Wells to discuss questions and concerns regarding the agreement.

Resolution 2026-12

THIS IS A RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS OF THE SOUTHERN IOWA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS.

Whereas the Economic Development Administration was assigned to administer the provisions of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, and

Whereas the Southern Iowa Council of Governments has been designated by the Economic Development Administration as an Economic Development District, and

Whereas the State of Iowa and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has designated the Southern Iowa Council of Governments as the area wide planning organization, and

Whereas Adams County is an active member of the Southern Iowa Council of Governments and participates in formulation of area wide plans and programs,

Be It Therefore Resolved by the ADAMS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that Adams County desires to participate in the fiscal year 2027 planning and economic development programs of the Southern Iowa Council of Governments in Iowa Planning Area XIV, consisting of Adair, Adams, Clarke, Decatur, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor, and Union Counties.

Be It Further Resolved by the ADAMS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that Adams County provides \$ 6,482.00 for the operation of the Southern Iowa Council of Governments' planning and development programs.

Shipley moved, seconded by Maynes to approve Resolution 2026-12 Support of SICOG. Ayes: Shipley, Hardisty, Maynes, Standley. Nays: none. Abstain: Akin. Motion carried. The full resolution is on file in the Auditor's Office.

Department heads reports: Sheriff – Thankful for the Sheriff's app as it is working well.

Committee and Meeting Reports: Maynes – ISAC Legislative Update, February 13, via Zoom, Crossroads, February 13, Zoom; Courthouse Security, February 11, Corning, Shipley – Main Street, February 16, Corning, Main Street, February 16, Corning; Akin – ACEDC Project Dely, February 12, Corning, SICOG Project Board, February 12, Corning.

Shipley moved, seconded by Maynes to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 AM. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST: Chris Standley, Chairperson, Adams County Board of Supervisors
Betsy Stormer, Adams County Auditor