

FEBRUARY 25, 2025, EIGHTH MEETING OF THE WOODBURY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. Board members present were Ung (by phone), Carper, Nelson, Dietrich, and Bittinger II. Staff members present were Joshua Widman, Assistant County Attorney, Karen James, Board Administrative Assistant, Melissa Thomas, Human Resources Director, Ryan Ericson, Budget and Finance Director, and Michelle Skaff, Auditor/Clerk to the Board.

Ung was not present at closed session.

Motion by Nelson second by Bittinger to go into closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c). Carried 4-0 on roll-call vote.

Motion by Bittinger second by Nelson to go out of closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c). Carried 4-0 on roll-call vote.

The regular meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a Moment of Silence.

Ung joined the meeting at 4:30pm.

1. Motion by Bittinger second by Nelson to approve the agenda for February 25, 2025. Carried 5-0. Copy filed.

Motion by Bittinger second by Dietrich to approve the following items by consent:

2. To approve minutes of the February 18, 2025 meeting. Copy filed.
To approve minutes of the February 13, 2025 meeting. Copy filed.
3. To approve the claims totaling \$1,301,594.54. Copy filed.
4. To approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign a Resolution approving petition for suspension of taxes for Susan Motley, parcel #894719483003, 1421 Ruby St.

**WOODBURY COUNTY, IOWA
RESOLUTION #13,857
RESOLUTION APPROVING PETITION FOR SUSPENSION OF TAXES**

WHEREAS, Susan Motley, as titleholder of a property located 1421 Ruby St., Sioux City, Woodbury County, Iowa, and legally described as follows:

Parcel #894719483003

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WHEREAS, Susan Motley of the aforementioned property has petitioned the Board of Supervisors for a suspension of taxes pursuant to the 2017 Iowa Code section 427.9, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors recognizes from documents provided that the petitioner is unable to provide to the public revenue; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors hereby grants the request for a suspension of taxes, and hereby directs the Woodbury County Treasurer to so record the approval of this tax suspension for this property.

SO RESOLVED this 25th day of February 2025.
WOODBURY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Copy filed.

- 5a. To approve the separation of Jacob McCollum, Civilian Jailer, County Sheriff Dept., effective 02-13-2025. Resignation.; the appointment of Ronald Forsell, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney Dept., effective 02-26-25, \$116,303.00/year. Job Vacancy Posted on 10/15/24. Entry Level Salary \$116,303.00/yr.; the reclassification of Haley Messerschmidt, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney Dept., effective 03-03-2025, \$116,303.00/year, 4%=\$4,053.00/year. Per AFSCME Attorney - Move from Step 7 to Step 8. Anniversary Date: 3/15/25.; the reclassification of Angel Chagolla, Deputy, County Sheriff Dept., effective 03-03-2025, \$36.06/hour, 6%=\$2.20/hour. Per CWA Deputy - Move from 1st Class to Senior. Anniversary Date: 3/9/25.; the reclassification of Jeremy Pope, Civilian Jailer, County Sheriff Dept., effective 03-03-2025, \$25.57/hour, 4%=\$1.00/hr. Per CWA Civilian – Move from 3rd Class to 2nd Class. Anniversary Date: 3/7/25.; the reclassification of Tina Guevara, Clerk II, County Treasurer Dept., effective 03-03-2025, \$20.14/hour, 5%=\$0.90/hr. Per AFSCME Courthouse – Move from Step 1 to Step 2. Anniversary Date: 3/6/25.; the other of Laura Sievers, County Engineer, Secondary Road Dept., effective 03-03-2025, \$170,000.00/year, 2%=\$3,140.00/year. Completion of 6 months. Increase as agreed to in offer of employment.; the reclassification of Amanda Quade, Civilian Jailer, County Sheriff Dept., effective 03-03-2025, \$29.78/hour, 11%=\$2.92/hr. Per CWA Civilian – Move from 1st Class to Senior. Anniversary Date: 3/16/25.; and the transfer of Jake Erdmann, Deputy, County Sheriff Dept., effective 03-10-2025, \$29.13/hourly, 19%=\$4.56/hr. Transfer from Civilian Jailer to Deputy. Copy filed.
- 5b. To approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign the Authorization to initiate the hiring process for Civilian Jailer (2), County Sheriff Dept. CWA Civilian: \$24.57/hour. Copy filed.
- 6a. To approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign a Resolution setting the public hearing and sale date for parcel #894825209005, 3508 W. 5th St.

RESOLUTION #13,858
NOTICE OF PROPERTY SALE

WHEREAS Woodbury County, Iowa was the owner under a tax deed of a certain parcel of real estate described as:

**Lot Nineteen (19), in Block Three (3), Golf View Addition to Sioux City in the County of Woodbury and State of Iowa
(3508 W 5th Street)**

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Woodbury County, Iowa as follows:

1. That a public hearing on the aforesaid proposal shall be held on The **11th Day of March, 2025 at 4:35 o'clock p.m.** in the basement of the Woodbury County Courthouse.
2. That said Board proposes to sell the said parcel of real estate at a public auction to be held on the **11th Day of March, 2025**, immediately following the closing of the public hearing.
3. That said Board proposes to sell the said real estate to the highest bidder at or above a **total minimum bid of \$334.00** plus recording fees.
4. That this resolution, preceded by the caption "Notice of Property Sale" and except for this subparagraph 4 be published as notice of the aforesaid proposal, hearing and sale.

Dated this 25th Day of February, 2025.

WOODBURY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Copy filed.

- 6b. To approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign a Resolution setting the public hearing and sale date for parcels #884705209009, 1813 S. Olive St., #884705209010, 1815 S. Olive St., & #884705209011. 1817 S. Olive St.

RESOLUTION #13,859
NOTICE OF PROPERTY SALE

WHEREAS Woodbury County, Iowa was the owner under a tax deed of a certain parcel of real estate described as:

**Lot One (1) in Block Seventeen (17), of Morningside Addition to Sioux City, in the County of Woodbury and State of Iowa
(1813 S. Olive Street)**

**Lot Two (2) in Block Seventeen (17), of Morningside Addition to Sioux City, in the County of Woodbury and State of Iowa
(1815 S. Olive Street)**

**Lot Three (3) in Block Seventeen (17), of Morningside Addition to Sioux City, in the County of Woodbury and State of Iowa
(1817 S. Olive Street)**

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Woodbury County, Iowa as follows:

1. That a public hearing on the aforesaid proposal shall be held on
The **11th Day of March, 2025 at 4:37 o'clock p.m.** in the basement of the Woodbury County Courthouse.
2. That said Board proposes to sell the said parcel of real estate at a public auction to be held on the **11th Day of March, 2025**, immediately following the closing of the public hearing.
3. That said Board proposes to sell the said real estate to the highest bidder at or above a **total minimum bid of \$608.00** plus recording fees.
4. That this resolution, preceded by the caption "Notice of Property Sale" and except for this subparagraph 4 be published as notice of the aforesaid proposal, hearing and sale.

Dated this 25th Day of February, 2025.
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Copy filed.

Carried 5-0.

- 7a1. Motion by Nelson second by Dietrich to receive the Board of Supervisors Infrastructure/Economic Development Event Center budget as submitted. Carried 5-0. Copy filed.

Motion by Nelson second by Bittinger to receive the Board of Supervisors Infrastructure/Economic Development Western Iowa Tourism budget as submitted. Carried 5-0. Copy filed.

Motion by Bittinger second by Nelson to receive the Board of Supervisors Infrastructure/Economic Development Woodbury County Fair budget as submitted. Carried 5-0. Copy filed.

Motion by Dietrich second by Nelson to receive the Board of Supervisors Infrastructure/Economic Development SIMPCO Membership budget as submitted. Carried 5-0. Copy filed.

Motion by Bittinger second by Dietrich to receive the Board of Supervisors Infrastructure/Economic Development SIMPCO Improvement Regional Housing budget as submitted. Carried 5-0. Copy filed.

Motion by Bittinger second by Nelson to receive the Board of Supervisors Infrastructure/Economic Development Loess Hill Alliance budget as submitted. Carried 5-0. Copy filed.

Motion by Nelson second by Carper to receive the Board of Supervisors Infrastructure/Economic Development Iowa's West Coast budget as submitted. Carried 5-0. Copy filed.

7a2. Motion by Bittinger second by Nelson to receive a document for Chairman Bittinger regarding the medical examiner budget. Carried 5-0. Copy filed.

Ung left the meeting at 5:00 pm.

Motion by Bittinger second by Nelson to receive the Board of Supervisors Medical Examiner budget as submitted. Carried 4-0. Copy filed.

7a3. Motion by Nelson second by Bittinger to receive the Board of Supervisors Gaming Meals on Wheels budget as submitted. Carried 4-0. Copy filed.

7b. Motion by Bittinger second by Nelson to receive the Debt Service Fund budget as submitted. Carried 4-0. Copy filed.

7c. Review of all funds.

Motion by Nelson second by Bittinger to receive current document of forecasted maximums as of 2-25-25, Carried 4-0. Copy filed.

8. Reports on committee meetings were heard.

9. Doyle Turner, Merville, expressed citizen concerns regarding the LEC Authority.

10. Board Concerns were heard.

The Board adjourned the regular meeting until March 4, 2025.

Meeting sign in sheet. Copy filed.