

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Grundy County Board of Supervisors met in a special session in the Supervisors' room at the Grundy County Courthouse on January 2, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. Chairperson Nederhoff called the meeting to order with the following members present: Schildroth, Kopsa, Pabst, and Vandehaar.

The Board opened the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Vandehaar to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried unanimously.

Chairperson Nederhoff requested nominations for the office of Chairperson. Schildroth nominated Heidi Nederhoff as Chairperson, seconded by Vandehaar. Carried unanimously.

Chairperson Nederhoff requested nominations for the office of Vice Chairperson. Schildroth nominated LJ Kopsa as Vice Chairperson, seconded by Pabst. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pabst and seconded by Kopsa to introduce Resolution #22-2025/2026, Setting Date and Time for meetings of the Board of Supervisors, as follows: WHEREAS, in order to provide information to the public regarding the date and time for meetings of the Board of Supervisors, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Grundy County Board of Supervisors hereby sets the time and day of its regular sessions in the calendar year 2026 as Monday of each week, or as needed, beginning at 9:00 a.m. until business is completed. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if Monday is a holiday, the Grundy County Board of Supervisors will meet on the next business day of the week beginning at 9:00 a.m. until business is completed. Votes on the resolution were as follows: Ayes – Vandehaar, Pabst, Kopsa, Schildroth, and Nederhoff. Nays – none. Resolution adopted.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Schildroth to introduce Resolution #23-2025/2026, appointing Lori Kruse as Treasurer, as follows: WHEREAS, the Grundy County Board of Supervisors has accepted the resignation of Brenda J. Noteboom, County Treasurer, effective December 31, 2025, and WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors desires to fill this vacancy by appointment as provided in Section 69.14A(2)(a), Code of Iowa, and WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors believes that an appointment of a County Treasurer is in the best interests of Grundy County, Iowa. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Grundy County Board of Supervisors that Lori K. Kruse is hereby appointed to the position of Grundy County Treasurer effective January 2, 2026. Votes on the resolution were as follows: Ayes – Vandehaar, Pabst, Kopsa, Schildroth, and Nederhoff. Nays – none. Resolution adopted.

Brenda Noteboom, Notary Public, administered the Oath of Office for County Treasurer Lori K. Kruse.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Pabst to introduce Resolution #24-2025/2026 as follows: WHEREAS, on July 12, 2021, in Resolution #5-2020/2021, the Board of Supervisors approved the County Treasurer be allowed one first deputy, one second deputy, one motor vehicle deputy, and one part-time driver's license deputy within her office. THEREFORE, NOW BE RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors approve the appointments of the following staff members to fill the authorized positions effective January 2, 2026: Tracy Beenken, First Deputy Treasurer; Emily Albers, Motor Vehicle Deputy; Carie Sparks, Part-Time Driver's License Deputy. Votes on the resolution were as follows: Ayes – Vandehaar, Pabst, Kopsa, Schildroth, and Nederhoff. Nays – none. Resolution adopted.

Jeff Skalberg, County Engineer, discussed departmental matters.

Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Kopsa to introduce Resolution #25-2025/2026 as follows: WHEREAS, Grundy County desires to adopt the Title VI Plan, Title VI Nondiscrimination Agreement with Iowa Department of Transportation and USDOT Standard Title VI Non-Discrimination Assurances DOT Order No. 1050.2A, and WHEREAS, The Title VI Plan is covered under Civil Rights Act of 1964, and WHEREAS The Grundy County Engineer, Jeff Skalberg, is appointed as Grundy County Title VI Coordinator for Grundy County, and NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Grundy County approves and adopts the "2026" Grundy County Title VI Plan and approves the "2026" Title VI Nondiscrimination Agreement with Iowa Department of Transportation and "2026" USDOT Standard Title VI Non-Discrimination Assurances DOT Order No. 1050.2A and authorize the chairperson to sign documents on behalf of Grundy County Board of Supervisors. Votes on the resolution were as follows: Ayes – Vandehaar, Pabst, Kopsa, Schildroth, and Nederhoff. Nays – none. Resolution adopted.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Pabst to introduce Resolution #26-2025/2026 as follows: BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Grundy County, Iowa, that Jeff Skalberg, the County Engineer of Grundy County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the certification of completion of work and final acceptance thereof in accordance with plans and specifications therefore in connection with all Farm to Market and Federal or State aid construction projects in this county. Votes on the resolution were as follows: Ayes – Vandehaar, Pabst, Kopsa, Schildroth, and Nederhoff. Nays – none. Resolution adopted.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Pabst to appoint Harlyn Riekema as Weed Commissioner for 2026. Carried unanimously.

Vic H. Vandehaar, County Supervisor, was presented with his 5-Year Service Award.

Shane Oltman, Dispatch, was acknowledged with his 10-Year Service Award.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Schildroth to appoint the Grundy Register and the Sun Courier as the official newspapers for Grundy County. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pabst and seconded by Kopsa to introduce Resolution #27-2025/2026 as follows: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Grundy County Board of Supervisors that the County Auditor is hereby authorized to issue warrants in vacation of the Board for payment of payrolls for all county employees. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all accounts payable claims submitted for payment by the County must be accompanied by an invoice or necessary support documents to be authorized for payment. Mileage claims will require employee's signature to be authorized for payment. A current certificate of insurance for the employee's personal vehicle(s) showing the limits of liability coverage must be on file with the County Auditor to qualify for the mileage reimbursement. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a claim for hotel expenses within the State of Iowa will only be paid if the lodging provider has had all employees successfully complete certified human trafficking prevention training. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditor be allowed three working days following approval of claims by the Board of Supervisors to complete accounts payable claims. Votes on the resolution were as follows: Ayes – Vandehaar, Pabst, Kopsa, Schildroth, and Nederhoff. Nays – none. Resolution adopted.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Schildroth to introduce Resolution #28-2025/2026 as follows: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Grundy County Board of Supervisors approves the following list of financial institutions to be depositories of the county funds and that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to deposit the county funds in amounts not to exceed the maximum approved for each respective financial institution as set out herein: GNB Bank of Grundy Center -- \$18,000,000; Farmers Savings Bank of Beaman -- \$5,000,000; MidWestOne Bank of Conrad -- \$10,000,000; Fidelity Bank & Trust of Dike -- \$5,000,000; Peoples Savings Bank of Wellsburg -- \$10,000,000; Lincoln Savings Bank of Reinbeck -- \$5,000,000; Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust of Des Moines -- \$6,000,000; Green Belt Bank & Trust of Grundy Center -- \$10,000,000; and First National Bank of Omaha -- \$1,000,000. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the various county officers are hereby authorized to deposit county funds in amounts not to exceed the maximum approved for each respective financial institution as set out herein: County Recorder – GNB Bank of Grundy Center \$150,000, Green Belt Bank & Trust of Grundy Center \$150,000, and Farmers Savings Bank of Beaman \$150,000; County Sheriff – GNB Bank of Grundy Center \$250,000; and Iowa Governmental Health Care Plan (IGHCP) – Two Rivers Bank & Trust of Burlington - \$500,000; County Auditor – Grundy County FSA/Flex Funds - GNB Bank of Grundy Center \$25,000, Grundy County Health Insurance Trust Fund – GNB Bank of Grundy Center \$200,000. Votes on the resolution were as follows: Ayes – Vandehaar, Pabst, Kopsa, Schildroth, and Nederhoff. Nays – none. Resolution adopted.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Pabst to introduce Resolution #29-2025/2026 as follows: WHEREAS, Grundy County, Iowa, has previously entered into an Article of Agreement with the Iowa Northland Regional Housing Authority, and WHEREAS, these articles provide that Grundy County, Iowa, shall be represented upon the governing commission of the said Iowa Northland Regional Housing Authority and further said Articles provide said County to appoint two authority commissioners to said governing commission. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Grundy County Board of Supervisors that Heidi Nederhoff and Joan Watson of Grundy County, Iowa, be and they are hereby appointed as authority commissioners to represent the interests of Grundy County, Iowa, upon the Iowa Northland Regional Housing Authority. Said appointments shall be for the term and conditions as provided in the Articles of Agreement previously signed between Grundy County, Iowa, and the Iowa Northland Regional Housing Authority. Votes on the resolution were as follows: Ayes – Vandehaar, Pabst, Kopsa, Schildroth, and Nederhoff. Nays – none. Resolution adopted.

Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Kopsa to appoint Steve Scurr, D.O., as Medical Examiner and Greg Selenke, D.O., as Assistant Medical Examiner for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Pabst to appoint Darrell Sloth to the Dike Benefitted Fire District Board of Directors for a term ending December 31, 2028. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Schildroth to appoint Heidi Nederhoff as the representative of the Board of Supervisors on the Butler/Grundy Development Alliance Board of Directors and Vic H. Vandehaar as the alternate representative. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pabst and seconded by Schildroth to reappoint Heidi Nederhoff as the representative of the Board of Supervisors on the Black Hawk/Grundy Mental Health Center Board of Directors for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Pabst to reappoint Heidi Nederhoff as the Workforce Development representative for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pabst and seconded by Vandehaar to reappoint LJ Kopsa to the Joint County Emergency Management Commission for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Schildroth to reappoint Vic H. Vandehaar as the representative of the Board of Supervisors on the Citizen's Advisory Board on Mental Health for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Kopsa to reappoint Jeffrey Pabst to the Operation Threshold Board of Directors and Finance Committee for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pabst and seconded by Kopsa to reappoint Mark A. Schildroth to the Regional Transit Commission Board of Directors and appoint Vic H. Vandehaar as the alternate for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Schildroth to reappoint LJ Kopsa to the 911 Service Board for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pabst and seconded by Vandehaar to reappoint LJ Kopsa to the Emergency Management Commission for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Pabst to reappoint Mark A. Schildroth to the Iowa Northland Regional Council of Governments Board of Directors for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Kopsa to reappoint Vic H. Vandehaar to the Multi-County Child Support Recovery Unit for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Schildroth to appoint Jeffrey Pabst as the representative of the Board of Supervisors on the Central Iowa Tourism Region Board for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Schildroth to reappoint Vic H. Vandehaar to the First Judicial Board of Correctional Services and reappoint Jeffrey Pabst as the alternate for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Kopsa to reappoint Vic H. Vandehaar to the Juvenile Detention Board of Directors and appoint Jeffrey Pabst as the alternate for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pabst and seconded by Schildroth to reappoint Vic H. Vandehaar to the Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Board of Directors and appoint LJ Kopsa as alternate for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Schildroth to reappoint LJ Kopsa as the representative of the Board of Supervisors to the Northeast Iowa Emergency Response Group and to reappoint Chase Babcock as the alternate with voting authority for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Pabst to reappoint Heidi Nederhoff to the Department of Human Services' Together 4 Families Board for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Pabst to reappoint LJ Kopsa as the representative of the Board of Supervisors on the Middle Cedar Water Management Authority Board for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Vandehaar to reappoint Jeffrey Pabst to serve on the Landfill Commission representing the Board of Supervisors for the year 2026. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pabst and seconded by Schildroth to appoint Lori K. Kruse as a member of the Internal Audit Committee. Carried unanimously.

Updates on various board and committee meetings were given.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Pabst to adjourn the meeting. Carried unanimously.

Heidi Nederhoff, Chairperson

Alan T. Tschertter, County Auditor