

WAPELLO COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS
3rd Floor Courtroom/Boardroom at Courthouse

DATE: 10-20-2026

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Darren Batterson, Chair; Carrie Teninty, Vice Chair; Bryan Ziegler, Supervisor; Karen Wilcoxson, Assistant to the Board of Supervisors; Brad Skinner, Engineer; Andy Alderson, IT; Travis Kaster, Assessor; Chad Drury, Ottumwa Courier; Willene White, NOEL; Miranda Bailey, Zoning; Laurie Fountain, Treasurer; Riley Waters; Sandra Ziegler; Kevin Holzhauser. Zoom Attendees: RPilcher; Michael Miller; G; & A.

Chair Batterson opened the meeting. Vice Chair Teninty moved, seconded by Supervisor Ziegler to authorize the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Ziegler moved, seconded by Vice Chair Teninty to authorize the October 6, 2026 regular Board meeting minutes, October 6, 2026 Work Session meeting minutes & October 8, 2026 Special meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion carried

Vice Chair Teninty moved, seconded by Supervisor Ziegler to authorize the bills in the amount of \$613,502.48. All ayes. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Teninty moved, seconded by Supervisor Ziegler to authorize Resolution #45-2026 Iowa Department of Agriculture Pesticide Report. All ayes. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Teninty moved, seconded by Supervisor Ziegler to authorize Recorder's Office Document Locator Subscription. All ayes. Motion carried.

High Load Energy Consumption Industry Ordinance - Discussion. A Work Session meeting has been set for 10/26/2026 at 9:00 a.m. at Secondary Roads Department.

Case No. 26FC:0178 Statement Regarding Improper Notice

This statement acknowledges that on June 30, 2026, discussion regarding gravel roads occurred without proper notice. The resolution concerning the improper notice was formally adopted at the Board of Supervisors meeting on October 6, 2026. Supervisor Ziegler read the document in its entirety at the October 20, 2026, Board of Supervisors meeting. A recording of the October 20, 2026, meeting is available at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q3p9hbUGaTA>

The Iowa Public Information Board

In re the Matter of:	Case Number: 26FC:0178
Mark Milligan, Complainant	
And Concerning:	Informal Resolution Report
Wapello County Board of Supervisors, Respondent	

On July 12, 2026, Mark Milligan (“Complainant”) filed formal complaint 26FC:0176, alleging the Wapello County Board of Supervisors (“Respondent”) violated Iowa Code Chapter 21.

IPIB Accepted this complaint at its meeting on August 20, 2026.

Background

Complainant alleged that Respondent brought up and deliberated on a matter during the “other business” section of Respondent’s agenda for a meeting on June 30, 2026 related to the condition of gravel roads in the county. Complainant alleged this topic was not properly noticed on the agenda in violation of chapter 21.

Applicable Law

“Except as provided in subsection 3, a governmental body shall give notice of the time, date, and place of each meeting including a reconvened meeting of the governmental body, and the tentative agenda of the meeting, in a manner reasonably calculated to apprise the public of that information.” Iowa Code § 21.4(1)(a).

Informal Resolution

Pursuant to Iowa Code § 23.9, IPIB presents the following terms for an informal resolution of this matter:

1. Respondent acknowledges that on June 30, 2026, the discussion of gravel roads occurred without proper notice. This acknowledgement shall be recorded in the minutes of said meeting.
2. The parties responsible for creating the agenda shall prepare a checklist of the steps and procedures needed to hold a proper open meeting as outlined in Iowa Code Chapter 21. Said checklist shall be provided to IPIB.

3. The members of the Respondent board shall attend a training covering the requirements of Iowa Code Chapter 21 and Chapter 22 and provide proof of attendance to IPIB.
4. The Respondent shall approve this resolution during an open meeting and include the full text of the resolution in the minutes of said meeting. Said minutes shall be provided to IPIB.

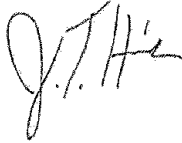
The terms of the Informal Resolution will be completed within 60 days of the date of approval of this Informal Resolution by all parties. IPIB may extend the 60-day deadline at its sole discretion. Upon showing of proof of compliance, the IPIB will dismiss this complaint as successfully resolved.

Complainant approved the terms of the informal resolution on _____.

Respondent approved the terms of the informal resolution on _____.

The IPIB Staff recommends the IPIB approve the Informal Resolution Report.

By the IPIB Staff Attorney



Johnathon T. Harris, J.D.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

This Document was sent on _____ to:

Mark Milligan, Complainant

Steviee Grove, Attorney for Respondent

Supervisor Ziegler moved, seconded by Vice Chair Teninty to authorize Recorder's 1st Quarter 2026-27 Report of Fees Collected. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Ziegler moved, seconded by Vice Chair Teninty to authorize Treasurer's Investment Report: September 2026. All ayes. Motion carried.

Renewable Energy Ordinance - Discussion. A Work Session meeting has been set for 10/26/2026 at 9:00 a.m. at Secondary Roads Department.

Payroll in the amount of \$495,715.09 & Claims in the amount of \$613,502.48 on 10-16-2026 were approved.

9:42 a.m. Vice Chair Teninty moved, seconded by Supervisor Ziegler to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Danielle Weller
Wapello County Auditor

Darren Batterson, Chair
Board of Supervisor

Submitted: ksw