

**BOARD PROCEEDINGS**  
**April 14, 2026**  
**REGULAR April SESSION**

The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment. Present were Vice-Chairman Howard Haas, Kyle Stecker, and Josh Waechter. Absent: Carter Nath and Amber Garman.

Vice-Chairman, Howard Haas called the meeting to order at 8:01A.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There wasn't any public discussion.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Haas to approve the agenda and minutes of the previous meeting dated April 7, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held with the Secondary Road Foremen.

An update from the Planning & Zoning Administrator will be held at a later date.

Discussion was held regarding employee vision renewal rates. Information will be distributed to department heads to discuss with employees and will be addressed again at next week's board meeting.

A joint conference call was held with Palo Alto County for DD PAK 1 request by landowner to hire Reutzel's to fill repair site 378-1. Present from Palo Alto County via phone were Supervisors Keith Wirtz, Craig Merrill, Roger Faulstick, Ronald Graettinger, and Linus Solberg, Auditor Carmen Moser, Drainage Clerk Jordan Morey and their County Attorney. Present from Kossuth County was the full board, Auditor Tammy Eden and Drainage Clerk Heather Estes. Also present via phone was Collin Klingbeil from Jacobson-Westergard & Associates Inc.

Motion by Stecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wirtz to approve a request by Brian Thul to pay for fill dirt and labor on repair site 378-1 on PAK 1 in coordination with Reutzel Excavating pending additional investigation by the engineer. Motion carried unanimously by both boards.

Motion by Stecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Graettinger to approve Change Order 2 on DD PAK 1 for an increase of \$18,533 due to added quantity of rip rap. Motion carried unanimously from both Palo Alto and Kossuth County.

Motion by Stecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Waechter to approve the 2026 applications for Natural Conservation. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Haas to approve the repair of a Zoll X Series Monitor by Renew Biomedical in the amount of \$5,012.50. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Stecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Waechter to authorize and give its permission to Heartland Power Coop, Thompson, IA to remove overhead power, install electrical cabinets, and underground 3-Phase power by plowing/boring road and tile crossings in south right of way of 370<sup>th</sup> Street between 200<sup>th</sup> – 220<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 230<sup>th</sup> – 240<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and through the right of way of 250<sup>th</sup> Avenue at 370<sup>th</sup> Street, remove overhead power and install single-phase underground power by plowing/boring in east right of way of 370<sup>th</sup> Street and 210<sup>th</sup> Avenue to first power pole north and south, remove overhead power and install underground single-phase power by plowing/boring in west right of way of 370<sup>th</sup> Street and 220<sup>th</sup> Avenue to first power pole north, and boring single-phase from the east right of way at 3609 210<sup>th</sup> Avenue, west into acreage. Work will be in Sections 13, 14, 16 and 20-24, German Township. Permit 04-06-2026 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held with the Kossuth County Engineer.

Motion by Stecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Haas to not offer HSA contributions for retired employees that are eligible for health insurance benefits from the Kossuth County Insurance Group. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Haas and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stecker to go with Farmers Trust & Savings Bank for HSA Accounts for Kossuth County employees and elected officials. Motion carried unanimously.

The HR/CPC position is postponed until next week.

Bid opening for the DD 4 Lat 11 Ducks Unlimited Project was held. Four bids were opened and read. Bid consideration will be held next week.

Motion by Stecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Waechter to appoint Bolton & Menk for the drainage petition for DD 116 Lats 12 & 14. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Haas and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stecker to have the Supervisors handle their requests as follows: Supervisor Garman: Request 2026-011 DD 98 Main; Request 2026-012 DD 39 Main 2; Request 2026-013 DD 90 Lat 121; Supervisor Stecker: Request 2026-010 DD 4 Lat 71 OD; Request 2026-014 DD 166 Lat 15; Supervisor Waechter: Request 2026-016 DD 51 Lat A. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held with the Secondary Road Department regarding differences between the collective bargaining unit agreement that will be expiring June 30, 2026 and the Kossuth County Employee handbook.

Discussion was held with the Kossuth County Auditor and the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors.

Motion by Stecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Waechter to adjourn at 10:52 A.M.

Attest:

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Tammy Eden  
Kossuth County Auditor

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Carter Nath, Chairman  
Kossuth County Board of Supervisors