MINUTES

Marshall County Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting October 21, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
Courthouse, First Floor Meeting Room
1 East Main Street, Marshalltown, Iowa

The Marshall County Board of Supervisors met for the regular meeting according to the posted notices in the Courthouse, First Floor Meeting Room 1 East Main Street, Marshalltown, Iowa, and online via ZOOM. Chair Heil called the meeting to order on October 21, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. Present: Chair Jarret Heil, Vice Chair Carol Hibbs, Member Christian Goodman. Goodman moved to approve the agenda second by Hibbs. Motion carried 3-0.

Proclamation of Operation Green Light for Veterans 2026.
The Board reviewed the Proclamation of Operation Green Light for Veterans 2026, recognizing the sacrifices of military personnel and encouraging residents to display green lights at their homes or businesses from November 4 through November 11, 2026, in honor of veterans transitioning to civilian life. The Board discussed plans to illuminate the courthouse clock faces in green during this period as a tribute to veterans and their service.

5-Year Service Award.
The Board recognized Alec Jensen, Jailer, Sheriff's Office, for five years of service. Sheriff Joel Phillips congratulated Alec on reaching this milestone and acknowledged the challenging and sometimes rewarding nature of the position.

Hibbs moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Goodman. Motion carried 3-0. Items:

1. Approve Previous Regular Session Minutes — October 7, 2026.
2. File Manure Management Plans:
    a. Appelgate G & L Inc., #59073, 2848 Garwin Road, Marshalltown, long form.
3. Approve claims as audited and authorize the County Auditor and Recorder to issue payment of the same. The listing of claims paid at this meeting and all claims paid in the current month will be published as part of the first meeting of the following month.

End of Consent Agenda.

Approve Fund Transfer #965.
Motion by Goodman, second by Hibbs to approve Fund Transfer #965, a quarterly transfer of $750,000 from Rural Services Fund to Secondary Road Fund. Motion carried 3-0.

Approve December 1, 2026, Application Deadline for Outside Agencies Requesting County Funding for Fiscal Year 2028.
Motion by Hibbs, second by Goodman to approve December 1, 2026, as the application deadline for outside agencies requesting County funding for Fiscal Year 2028. Motion carried 3-0. Auditor/Recorder Nan Benson explained that the December 1, 2026, deadline allows outside agencies approximately one month to complete and submit their funding applications. Applications must be submitted to both the Board of Supervisors and the Accounting Department. The application form is available through the agenda link.

Approve Board of Supervisors' Recommendation to Terminate Contract with Aware Health Effective December 31, 2026.
Motion by Goodman, second by Hibbs to approve the Board of Supervisors' recommendation to terminate the contract with Aware Health, effective December 31, 2026. Motion carried 3-0. Auditor/Recorder Nan Benson explained that Marshall County has used Aware Health for approximately 18 months but has not seen the level of participation anticipated. Based on the cost compared to utilization, the recommendation is to terminate the contract. The County's insurance broker supports the recommendation, and County Attorney Jordan Gaffney has reviewed the termination letter. The letter will be sent to North Risk, the County's broker, to coordinate notification to Aware Health. A 60-day notice is required.

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Property Tax Refund Claims for Five Locations Pursuant to Iowa Code §445.60.
No action taken. County Assessor Blaze Wurr explained that property tax refund claims involving tanks are an issue affecting counties statewide due to recent court cases and changes in how the tanks are assessed. The Department of Revenue and a group of attorneys are expected to provide further guidance on how counties should handle these claims, including cases involving appeals. The Board acknowledged receipt of the claims and agreed to take no action pending further guidance.

Adopt Resolution 2026-0031 Terminating the Marshalltown Gateway Centre Urban Renewal Area.
RESOLUTION TERMINATING THE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN FOR THE MARSHALLTOWN GATEWAY CENTRE URBAN RENEWAL AREA AND ENDING THE MARSHALLTOWN GATEWAY CENTRE URBAN RENEWAL AREA.
WHEREAS, on May 17, 2005, the Board of Supervisors of Marshall County, Iowa approved and adopted the Urban Renewal Plan ("Urban Renewal Plan") and established the Marshalltown Gateway Centre Urban Renewal Area ("Urban Renewal Area") within the County; and
WHEREAS, on June 14, 2005, the County adopted Ordinance No. 25, providing for the division of taxes within the Urban Renewal Area, pursuant to Iowa Code Section 403.19; and
WHEREAS, the County subsequently modified the legal description of the Urban Renewal Area to exclude certain property, documented by a resolution adopted on June 28, 2005, and an amendment to Ordinance No. 2 adopted on August 9, 2005; and
WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Area contains the real property legally described as follows: Lot 3 of the Subdivision of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; Lot 1 of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and Lot 3 of 1 of the Subdivision of the Northeast

Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, all in Section 14, except those parts deeded to the State of Iowa by Deeds recorded in Book B11, page 618 and Instrument Micro-file No. 1725-1980-1, Recorder's Office, Marshall County, Iowa, all in Township 83 North, Range 19 West of the 5th P.M., Marshall County, Iowa, a portion of which is included in a pending subdivision plat approval to be described as: Lots 1-5 and Lot A in Marshalltown Gateway Centre Subdivision in the Northeast Quarter of Section 14, Township 83 North, Range 19 West of the 5th P.M., Marshall County, Iowa;
AND All the public right-of-way owned by the State of Iowa along and including U.S. Highway 30 between the intersection of U.S. Highway 30 and the West right-of-way boundary line of Highway 330 and extending West along U.S. Highway 30 to the centerline of Jessup Avenue, all in Marshall County, Iowa;
AND The Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter except Parcel A, and the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, except Parcel A, all in Section 10, Township 83 North, Range 19 West of the 5th P.M., Marshall County, Iowa.
WHEREAS, there are no ongoing urban renewal projects being undertaken pursuant to the Plan within the Urban Renewal Area and, accordingly, the County has determined that it is in the best interest of the County to formally terminate the Plan and end the Urban Renewal Area, as of the end of Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARSHALL COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA:
That, as of June 30, 2027, the Urban Renewal Plan for the Marshalltown Gateway Centre Urban Renewal Area shall be terminated and repealed in its entirety, and the Urban Renewal Area ended as of the same date.
Ordinance No. 25 adopted for the division of revenue under Iowa Code Section 403.19 within the Urban Renewal Area will be repealed by separate ordinance.
PASSED AND APPROVED this 21st day of October 2026.

Jarret P Heil
Jarret P Heil (Nov 5, 2026 16:16:38 CST)

Jarret Heil,
Board of Supervisors Chair

Attest:

Nan Benson

Nan Benson, Auditor/Recorder

Motion by Goodman, second by Hibbs to adopt Resolution 2026-0031: A Resolution Terminating the Urban Renewal Plan for the Marshalltown Gateway Centre Urban Renewal Area and Ending the Marshalltown Gateway Centre Urban Renewal Area. Resolution adopted 3-0. Auditor/Recorder Real Estate Assistant Sara Badger explained that the County is in the final collection year for the Gateway Tax Increment Financing (TIF) area located near Highways 30 and 330. Agenda items 12 and 13 are administrative steps to finalize the TIF area.

Approve First Reading of Proposed Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 25 for the Marshalltown Gateway Centre Urban Renewal Area.
Motion by Hibbs, second by Goodman to approve the First Reading of Proposed Ordinance No. 39: An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 25 Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the Marshalltown Gateway Centre Urban Renewal Area, in Marshall County, Iowa, pursuant Iowa Code §403.19, (Termination of the Marshalltown Gateway Centre Urban Renewal Area). Motion carried 3-0.
Auditor/Recorder Real Estate Assistant Sara Badger explained that this is an administrative step to finalize the Marshalltown Gateway Center Tax Increment Financing (TIF) area. The Board conducted the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 39, repealing Ordinance No. 25, which provided for the division of taxes levied on taxable property within the Marshalltown Gateway Center Urban Renewal Area pursuant to Iowa Code Section 403.19. The ordinance repeal will be effective June 30, 2027.

Approve Office of Drug Control Innovation Grant Award and Grant Standards and Conditions and Authorize the Drug Task Force Supervisor and Chair to Sign.
Motion by Goodman, second by Hibbs to approve the $89,610 Innovation Grant award from the Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP) to purchase a MILO virtual reality training system and approve the associated grant standards and conditions, authorizing the Drug Task Force Supervisor and Chair to sign through DocuSign. Motion carried 3-0.
Sheriff Joel Phillips explained that the Marshall County Sheriff's Office was awarded $89,610 through the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant State Crisis Intervention Program. The fully funded federal grant will be used to purchase a MILO virtual reality training system to support patrol, corrections, administrative staff, and crisis intervention partnerships. The system provides scenario-based training, including de-escalation and conflict resolution, with after-action reports to evaluate responses. The grant period runs from September 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. The County will initially pay for the equipment and receive reimbursement, with a budget amendment anticipated in early spring.

Set Date and Time for Public Hearing on the Proposed Vacation of a Portion of Davidson Avenue.
Motion by Hibbs, second by Goodman to approve setting public hearing for November 4, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Marshall County Courthouse, 1 East Main Street, Marshalltown, Iowa, regarding the proposed vacation of a portion of Davidson Avenue, and to authorize the Marshall County Auditor/Recorder's Office to publish notice of the hearing. Motion carried 3-0.
County Engineer Paul Geilenfeldt explained that the hearing is being scheduled following receipt of the petition at the previous meeting. The proposed vacation involves two adjacent landowners who have both signed the petition. Publication requirements and certified notification letters will be coordinated in preparation for the hearing.

Approve Consulting Engineering Agreement with Clapsaddle-Garber Associates, Inc. and Authorize the Chair to Sign.
Motion by Goodman, second by Hibbs to approve Consulting Engineering Agreement with Clapsaddle-Garber Associates, Inc. and authorize the Chair to sign. Motion carried 3-0.
County Engineer Paul Geilenfeldt explained that an approximately 13.3-mile pipeline project is planned in the northeast corner of Marshall County to serve the new Bobcat Energy plant. The project will run parallel to an existing pipeline installed approximately 10 years ago to increase capacity. The County will provide an inspector to monitor work on private property, including drainage tile repairs and soil disturbances. Alliant Energy will reimburse the County for the inspection costs at the conclusion of the project. Matt Garber of Clapsaddle-Garber Associates, Inc., was present to answer questions.

Public Forum.
Auditor/Recorder Nan Benson reminded the public that absentee voting is available at the Election Center, 107 South 1st Avenue, Marshalltown, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with additional extended hours and Saturday availability. The final day of operation at the Election Center will be November 2, 2026.

Marshalltown Area Chamber of Commerce Tourism Director Dylan Does and Marshall County Economic Development Director Alex Ferneau provided information about a potential three-day veterans tribute event tentatively planned for early June 2027. The proposed event, organized by America's Freedom Tribute, would feature a Global War on Terror wall, an indoor/outdoor Vietnam wall, Cost of Freedom displays, and additional military tribute exhibits. The Chamber is exploring community partnerships and possible activities to complement the event. Contracts have not yet been executed, and plans remain tentative. The Board expressed support for the potential community and tourism benefits of the event.

Adjournment. The next regular session is Wednesday, November 4, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., at the Courthouse, 1st floor meeting room, 1 E Main Street. All business to be acted upon at that session should be submitted to the County Auditor and Recorder's Office or the Board of Supervisors' Office by Wednesday, October 28, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting is adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

Jarret P Heil
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Jarret Heil,
Board of Supervisors Chair

Attest: Nan Benson
Nan Benson, Auditor/Recorder

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