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Estate of Jackie Zimmerman

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ES- TATE OF JACKIE ZIMMERMAN, Deceased.

Probate No. ESPR502071 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECU- TOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDI- TORS

To all persons interested in the estate of Jackie Zimmerman, deceased, who died on or about September 19, 2025: You are hereby notified that on November 19, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Jackie Zimmerman, deceased, bearing the date of January 18, 2008, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that the undersigned was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the Last Will and Testament must be brought in the District Court of the above county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this Notice, or one month from the date of mailing of this Notice to the surviving spouse and all heirs of the Decedent and devisees under

the Last Will and Testament whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred. Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the Clerk of the above-named District Court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this Notice or one month from the date of mailing of this Notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred. Dated: November 21, 2025
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Public Hearing - Courthouse Electcal Upgrade

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE COUNTY COURTHOUSE ELECTRICAL SERVICE UPGRADE FRANKLIN COUNTY, IOWA

The Board of Supervisors of Franklin County, Iowa, will hold a public hearing on the proposed Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimate of Costs for the construction of the above referenced public improvements at 9:30 a.m., on February 3, 2025, at the Franklin County Courthouse, County Supervisors Chambers, Franklin County Courthouse, 12 1st Avenue N.W., Hampton, Iowa. At said hearing, any interested person may appear and file objections thereto or to the cost of the improvements. Copies of the proposed Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimate of Costs are available in the office of the Franklin County Auditor.

This project includes the furnishing of all labor, equipment, and materials for the construction of the Franklin County Electrical Services Upgrade, located at the Franklin County Courthouse, 12 1st Avenue N.W., Hampton, Iowa generally described as follows:

The existing building is (3) stories tall with an additional basement level. All levels excluding the third floor are to receive new branch panels per construction documents. Minimal metal stud framing and drywall work to be completed at new panel locations as required. New acoustical ceiling tile and grid to be installed on the second floor Probate Room. Site work is limited to sidewalk and asphalt paving patch work from new electrical service routing. This will include demolition of existing main service panel and installation of new service and feeders. Additional spare 1" conduits are to be routed from the main electrical room to individual floors areas as shown on the construction documents.

Katy Flint, Franklin County Auditor

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Sheffield Library Bills 12.2025

Bills to be Paid for December 2025 - Sheffield Public Library

Vendor	Description	Amount
Amazon	business Act	\$1,963.28
Center Point LP	Books, Sub. etc.	\$201.36
D & L	Utilities	\$18.00
Demco	Office Supplies	\$215.68
FNBO (VISA)	VISA	\$1,008.77
Ingram	Books, sub	\$180.67
Metronet	Utilities	\$189.41
MidAmerica	Utilities	\$147.00
Payton Plagge	Repairs and Maintenance	\$150.00
Plastics Recycling of Iowa Falls	Operations	\$2,923.13
SBM Surplus	Grant	\$1,125.00
Visual Edge IT	Operations	\$94.11
Total		\$8,216.41

The above claims, which includes those covering the invoices attached hereto, were presented and approved.

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Hampton December 2025 Receipts

CITY OF HAMPTON		Fire Reserve	\$9,891.90
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS		Pool & Parks Reserve	\$9,891.90
DECEMBER 2025		55% LOST Reserve	\$27,202.73
General	\$111,494.14	General Obligation	\$6,381.64
Library	\$33,538.21	Capital Project - Ricks	\$49,998.00
Road Use	\$48,126.60	Water	\$78,903.84
Employee Benefits	\$13,505.86	Meter Deposits	\$450.00
Forfeiture	\$53.97	Sewer	\$81,939.94
Band Shell Fund	\$65.90	Sinking Fund - Sewer	\$32,890.51
Local Option Sales Tax	\$49,459.51	Solid Waste	\$3,751.44
T I F	\$791.99	Total Receipts/Deposits	
Police Reserve	\$2,472.98		\$560,811.06

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Sheffield Council Meeting 1.12.26

Council Proceedings Regular Session Minutes-Unapproved Monday, January 12th; 6:00pm

The Sheffield City Council Regular Session was called to order at Sheffield City Hall by Mayor Brad Mulford, at 6:00PM on Monday, January 12th, 2025. Council Members in attendance were Julia Showalter, James Robbins, Scott Sanders, and Sherri McGuire, absent was Becky Moellers; also, in attendance was Patrick Nuehring, Public Works Director, Eric Meyer, Public Works Assistant, and Andrew O'Connor, Police Chief.

Mayor Mulford led the Pledge of Allegiance. Showalter made a motion to approve the agenda. McGuire seconded it; it was approved.

Mayor Mulford announced that it was the time and place for the public comment. There was no public comment.

McGuire motioned to approve the consent agenda, Robbins seconded the motion, and it was approved with Moellers absent. Those items approved in the consent agenda were: 12/8/25 Regular Session Minutes, January 2026 Bills, and December 2025 Finance Report.

Mayor Mulford asked for any department updates. The City Clerk stated that she has an audit scheduled for the end of the week.

Old Business

- There was discussion on donations that have been offered to help move forward with treating the city ponds. Robbins asked for this to come back during the budget meeting, so this can be possibly added as a budget item.
- Mayor Mulford opened the public hearing for the FY26 amendment #1 at 6:08pm. There was no public comment. Mayor Mulford closed the public hearing at 6:09pm.
- Robbins motioned to approve the FY26 Amendment #1. Sanders seconded it and roll call was as follows, Ayes: Showalter, Robbins, Sanders, McGuire; Absent: Moellers. Mayor Mulford declared the resolution approved, adopted and numbered 26-10.

New Business

- Robbins motioned to approve the tax abatement request for 511 Maple St. Showalter seconded it; and it was approved with Moellers absent.
- Chase and Andy with WHKS, have met with city employees and mayor in previous months on some possible road repair options that could be done with another TIF Project. A map, referred to as the findings report, was given to help explain the locations and the extent some road repairs will be needed. Due to some areas having water sitting on the road an overlay will not be a feasible fix, grinding out and replacement will be needed. The findings report shows the construction cost only with an additional 10-12% admin fee needing to be added. Mayor Mulford asked if Wilde St. could be added into the TIF project. Council members expressed concern that this would open a can worms for other roads needing repair. This will come back in February for further discussion after FY27 budget numbers are looked at.
- There was discussion about the Police Chief O'Connor getting a new cell phone number. At this time Chief O'Connor will wait and see if he can just block some of the calls that have been an issue. As a friendly reminder that if you have a non-emergent issue to call the Franklin Co Dispatch. This will come back when and if Chief O'Connor needs it.
- There was discussion about working with the county to add a cement flooring to the salt/sand shed. The county has offered to pay for cement/rebar if the city would agree to pay for the labor. This will be a FY27 budget item. Robbins asked Director Nuehring to get a labor cost and bring to the budget meeting to be added in. Robbins motioned to approve working with county and the city to pay the labor costs of adding cement to the sand shed. Showalter seconded it; and it was approved with Moellers absent.
- Robbins motioned to approve the transfer of funds from water savings to water fund. Showalter seconded it and roll call was as follows, Ayes: Showalter, Robbins, Sanders, McGuire; Absent: Moellers. Mayor Mulford declared the resolution approved, adopted and numbered 26-11.

There was more discussion on how to handle the penny shortage. There are different options to accommodate the shortage. They are to leave as is currently, to round up to the nearest \$.05 (nickel), or to adjust the water bill pricing. Robbins motioned to start rounding up on the next bill, February, to the nearest \$.05 (nickel). Sanders seconded it; and it was approved with Moellers absent.

The new mayor appointments involve replacing Kruger with new councilmember Sanders to the sewer department. All other appointments will remain the same. McGuire motioned to approve the new mayor appointments. Robbins seconded it; and it was approved with Moellers absent.

Council Comments - The City Clerk reminded the table of the budget meeting next Tuesday, January 20th at 6pm at City Hall.

McGuire motioned to adjourn, Sanders seconded the motion, and it passed. Adjournment at 7:01 p.m.

Ashley L. Francis, City Clerk
Brad Mulford, Mayor

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Sheffield City Bills Jan. 2026

Sheffield Bills to be Paid for January 2026

Vendor/Description	Amount
AgSource Laboratories Water Testing	\$554.05
Astra Security cloud storage	\$1,500.00
Axon Enterprises Taser	\$2,628.79
Barker Tree Servic Park tree removal	\$3,500.00
Boland Recreation park equipment install.	\$11,000.00
Brian Nettleton Excavating pumhouse repairs	\$40,500.00
Card Services Supplies	\$1,183.22
Column Software/Mid American Publishing Corp. Publications.	\$326.40
Consolidated Fuel/Diesel	\$1,542.08
Core & Main repairs	\$160.00
Creative Solutions Website Monthly 3-mo Fee	\$609.90
D&L Sanitation Nov/Dec Garbage	\$215.50
Dakota Supply Group supplies	\$564.40
Electronic Engineering PD new vehicle lights	\$3,733.75
First Net PD Phone	\$236.22
Franklin REC Dec/Jan Utilities	\$468.84
Frontier Dec/Jan Fire & PW phones	\$726.51
Great American Financial Services City Hall Lease & Usage	\$172.50
Hawkins Water Chemicals	\$2,681.69
IIMC Annual membership	\$195.00
IMWCA Installment 7	\$951.00
ICAP Insurance	\$478.00
Jon's Auto and Truck Repair PW Truck	\$98.33
Menards supplies	\$144.40
Mediacom CH Internet/Phone	\$305.42
MidAmerican Energy Utilities	\$6,424.92
Municipal Supply supplies	\$2,159.35
Murphy Tractor Supply repairs	\$386.84
National Sign Company, LLC signs	\$1,792.21
Payroll December Payroll	\$60,680.55
Payton Plagge snow removal	\$200.00

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Franklin Co BOS Minutes, 1/13/2026

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS January 13th, 2026

A recording of the meeting can be found at www.youtube.com/@FranklinCountyBoardofSupervisors

The Board of Supervisors met at 8:30AM on Tuesday, January 13th, 2026, at the Franklin County Courthouse for a regular session with Board members Lukensmeyer, McVicker, and Vanness present.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve the minutes from the 1/6/2026 regular session. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board Committee Updates & Public Comment: McVicker attended NIACOG Board. Vanness attended EMA/E911 Board.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve the quote from Midland Concrete Products for brick for the Courthouse tuckpointing project. All ayes. Motion carried.

John Torbet from the Iowa Drainage District Association met with the Supervisors to provide them an annual update.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve a resolution approving permit application form for Commercial Wind Energy Conversion System Conditional Use Permits in accordance with Franklin County Zoning Ordinance 2023B. The resolution reads in full:

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-8

RESOLUTION APPROVING PERMIT APPLICATION FORM FOR COMMERCIAL WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEM CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FRANKLIN COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE 2023B

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2023, the Board adopted Ordinance No. 2023B (now codified at Section 70.07 of the Franklin County Zoning Code), which amended the Franklin County Zoning Code to establish supplemental standards applicable to wind energy conversion system conditional uses in an "A" Agriculture District; and WHEREAS, Section 70.07(4)(D) of the Zoning Code provides all application forms shall be approved by resolution of the Board of Supervisors; and WHEREAS, the Director of the County Planning and Zoning Department has prepared a form of application for conditional

use permits for wind energy conversion systems, attached as Exhibit A to this Resolution, and the Board finds the same to be proper for approval and in the best interests of the County.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA: That the application form for conditional use permits for wind energy conversion system projects is hereby approved and adopted pursuant to Section 70.07 (4)(D) of the Franklin County Zoning Code.

Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Lukensmeyer, McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted. The permit may be obtained from the Planning & Zoning Administrator or on the County website.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve an agreement with NoRISC for FY2026. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Supervisors discussed the possibility of applying for a grant to help cover the cost of the tuckpointing project. The Auditor shared information that she received from a webinar last week regarding the grant. They will not move forward with a grant application due to the time requirements and project timing.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve a proposal from ArcaSearch for FY2025 Board Minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve an amended lease with CIGS for FY2026. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Supervisors & Auditor discussed the employee auto insurance requirements. After discussion, they directed the Auditor to prepare an update to the policy and bring it back to next week's meeting. The Supervisors acknowledged the Veterans Affairs Quarterly Report for 10/2025-12/2025.

The Supervisors acknowledged the Auditor's Quarterly Report for 10/2025-12/2025.

Chairman Vanness adjourned the meeting at 10:05AM until Tuesday, January 20th, 2026, at 8:30AM at the Franklin County Courthouse for a budget workshop.

ATTES:

Chris Vanness, Chairman
Katy A. Flint, Auditor & Clerk to the Board

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Franklin Co. 26/27 EMA Budget Publication

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING — PROPOSED BUDGET Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027 Franklin County Emergency Management Commission

The Emergency Management Commission of the above-named County will conduct a public hearing on the proposed fiscal year 2026/2027 budget as follows:
Meeting Date: 2/4/2026 Meeting Time: 07:00 PM Meeting Location: 105 5th St SW Hampton, IA 50441

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of receipts and expenditures on file with the County Coordinator.

	Actual FYE June 30 , 2025	Estimated FYE June 30 , 2026	Proposed FYE June 30 , 2027
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE:	1	549,273	431,058
305,127			
REVENUES:			
County Contribution	2	406,263	490,801
532,240			
Other Revenues	3	199,332	207,075
189,114			
Total Revenues (2+3)	4	605,595	697,876
721,354			
EXPENDITURES:			
Administration and Operations	5	723,810	808,807
870,461			
Capital Outlays	6	0	15,000
15,000			
Total Expenditures (5+6)	7	723,810	823,807
885,461			
Total Ending Fund Balance	8	431,058	305,127
141,020			

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26/27 E911 Public Budget Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET ESTIMATE Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027 Franklin County 911 Service Board

The 911 Service Board of the above named jurisdiction will conduct a public hearing on the proposed fiscal year budget as follows:
Meeting Date: 2/4/2026 Meeting Time: 07:00 PM Meeting Location: Franklin County Sheriff's Office 105 5th St. S.W Hampton, IA 50441

At the public hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of budgeted receipts and expenditures on file with the 911 Service Board Secretary. Copies of the Supplemental Budget Detail will be furnished upon request.

	FYE June 30, 2025 Actual Expenditures	FYE June 30, 2026 Re-Estimated Expenditures	FYE June 30, 2027 Proposed Expenditures	Transfers Out	Estimated Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2027	Estimated Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2026	Estimated Other Receipts	Transfers In	Estimated Amount To Be Raised By Surcharge
1. Surcharge Fund	109,282	84,200	156,700	0	817,801	819,501	5,000		150,000
2. Operating Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
3. TOTAL	109,282	84,200	156,700	0	817,801	819,501	5,000	0	150,000

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