

Minutes
Cass County Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, June 16, 2026

The Cass County Board of Supervisors met in regular session June 16, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in the Meeting Room at the Cass County Courthouse, Atlantic, Iowa. Chairman Baier called the meeting to order. Present: Baier, Green, Pettinger, O’Brien, Richter. Absent: none.

Green moved, Pettinger seconded, to approve the amended consent agenda, including minutes of the June 09, 2026 special meeting and the June 1-15, 2026 claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Jotham Arber, Executive Director of Cass/Guthrie County Environmental Health, presented the monthly report. No action taken.

Green moved, Richter seconded, to approve the Rural Transit System Joint Participation Agreement with SWIPCO (SWITA) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Trent Wolken, Cass County Engineer, reviewed current road and equipment projects.

Following a review of the proposals submitted for project L-94- -73-15, bridge replacement 443 on Buck Creek Rd, O’Brien moved, Pettinger seconded, to award the contract to Gus Construction in the amount of \$298,494.12. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Green moved, Pettinger seconded, to certify the annual base salary of deputies appointed by elected officials (Treasurer, Recorder, and Auditor) in accordance with Iowa Code 331.904(1)(a) as follows. Ayes: Green, Pettinger, Baier, O’Brien. Nays: Richter. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT	EMPLOYEE NAME	OCCUPATION	RATE		% of ELECTED
Auditor	RICHTER, HANNAH	DEPUTY AUDITOR - 1st Deputy	\$ 58,067.00	per year	75%
Auditor	Not Appointed	DEPUTY AUDITOR - 2nd Deputy	\$ -		
Recorder	WALLINGFORD, MARCI	DEPUTY RECORDER - 1st Deputy	\$ 64,209.00	per year	85%
Treasurer	LIDDELL, JORDAN	TREASURER'S DEPUTY - 1st Deputy (Tax)	\$ 64,209.00	per year	85%
Treasurer	LINFOR, STACIE	TREASURER'S DEPUTY - Driver's License	\$ 64,209.00	per year	85%
Treasurer	WALLACE, CELESTE	TREASURER'S DEPUTY - Motor Vehicle	\$ 64,209.00	per year	85%

O’Brien moved, Green seconded, to certify the annual base salary of deputy sheriffs classified as exempt in accordance with Iowa Code 331.904(2)(c) as follows. All ayes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT	EMPLOYEE NAME	OCCUPATION	RATE		% of ELECTED
Sheriff	WALTON, SPENCER	CHIEF SHERIFF DEPUTY - 1st Deputy	\$99,025.00	per year	85%
Sheriff	MCLAREN, JOSHUA	SHERIFF SERGEANT - 2nd Deputy	\$90,870.00	per year	78%

Green moved, Pettinger seconded, to set the annual base salary and wages of deputy sheriffs classified as non-exempt in accordance with Iowa Code 331.904(2)(d) and the union agreement as follows. All ayes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT	EMPLOYEE NAME	OCCUPATION	RATE		% of ELECTED
Sheriff	BARTHOLOMEW, BENJAMIN	DEPUTY INVESTIGATOR	\$87,375.00	per year	75%
Sheriff	OCHELTREE, SAWYER	DEPUTY SHERIFF/ DOG HANDLER	\$85,196.00	per year	71% + 3% DH
Sheriff	QUIST, KYLE	DEPUTY SHERIFF	\$82,715.00	per year	71%
Sheriff	REYNOLDS, JACOB	DEPUTY SHERIFF	\$82,715.00	per year	71%

Sheriff	TAYLOR, BRANDON	DEPUTY INVESTIGATOR	\$87,375.00	per year	75%
Sheriff	WARD, CAMERON	DEPUTY SHERIFF	\$82,715.00	per year	71%

Pettinger moved, O’Brien seconded, to set the compensation of extra help and clerks appointed by the principal county officers in accordance with Iowa Code 331.904(4) as follows. Ayes: Green, Pettinger, Baier, O’Brien. Nays: Richter. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT	EMPLOYEE NAME	OCCUPATION	RATE		% of ELECTED
Attorney	GROVES, BEVERLY	ATTORNEY ASSISTANT	\$65,828.00	per year	
Attorney	JENSEN, EVA	ATTORNEY ASSISTANT	\$53,082.00	per year	
Attorney	SMITH, CALEB	OFFICE LIASON	\$57,130.00	per hour	
Auditor	LILLY, BROOK	AUDITOR'S CLERK	\$24.00	per hour	
Board of Supervisors	SOTHMAN, DORENE	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	\$72,100.00	per year	
Courthouse	PROEHL, DANIEL	CUSTODIAN	\$27.00	per hour	
IT	BERENS, SEAN	I.T.	\$82,200.00	per year	
MH/GA	SCHULER, DEBBIE	DIRECTOR MENTAL HEALTH/GEN AST	\$36.15	per hour	
Secondary Rds	WOLKEN, TRENT	COUNTY ENGINEER	\$149,350.00	per year	
Secondary Rds	RAY, ALICE	ENGINEER OFFICE MANAGER	\$65,347.00	per year	
Secondary Rds	MITCHELL, JASON	ENGINEER TECH	\$30.81	per hour	
Secondary Rds	VOGL, DENNIS	ENGINEER TECH	\$34.66	per hour	
Secondary Rds	KNUDSEN, MARK	MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT	\$69,533.00	per year	
Sheriff	WITZMAN, STEPHANIE	SHERIFF'S ASSISTANT	\$61,653.00	per year	
Treasurer	DARROW, AMANDA	OFFICE ASSISTANT	\$21.82	per hour	
Vets	BAYLOR, WILLIAM	VETERANS DIRECTOR	\$23.00	per hour	
Weed Comm	DENNIS VOGL	WEED COMMISSIONER	\$30.00	per hour	
Zoning	KENNON, MICHAEL	ZONING COORDINATOR	\$6,000.00	per year	

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Jail	CABLE, DOROTHY	JAILER	\$ 58,250.00	per year	50%
Jail	DOHERTY, AMANDA	JAILER	\$ 58,250.00	per year	50%
Jail	FAJEN, LAJEAN	JAILER	\$ 58,250.00	per year	50%
Jail	HANSEN, SHERRI	JAILER	\$ 58,250.00	per year	50%
Jail	MISNER, STACEY	LEAD JAILER	\$ 62,910.00	per year	54%
Jail	SCHWANKE, DARCY	JAILER	\$ 58,250.00	per year	50%
Jail	SYMONDS, CASEY	JAILER	\$ 58,250.00	per year	50%

O’Brien moved, Pettinger seconded, to set the annual salary for the Jail Administrator position as follows. All ayes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT	EMPLOYEE NAME	OCCUPATION	RATE		% of ELECTED
Jail	WALTON, SPENCER	JAIL ADMINISTRATOR	\$4,286.00	per year	

Green moved, Pettinger seconded, to approve Resolution No. 2026-19, Rescind Resolution 2026-18 and Revise Canvass of June 2,2026 Primary Election. Ayes: Green, Pettinger, Baier, O’Brien, Richter. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2026-19
Rescind Resolution No. 2026-18 and Revise the Canvass of June 2, 2026
Cass County Primary Election Results

WHEREAS on June 9, 2026, the Cass County Board of Supervisors approved Resolution No. 2026-18, the Canvass of June 2, 2026 Cass County Primary Election Results, and

WHEREAS the Democratic Party's Cass County Supervisors District 3 result was listed as No Candidate, and

WHEREAS Denise O'Brien did receive two write-in votes, which is considered, after rounding up, to be 35% of the vote cast for the race on the party's ballot since the last redistricting of Cass County Supervisor District 3 in 2022,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution 2026-18 is amended to read as follows.

WHEREAS the Primary Election was held as prescribed by law on June 2, 2026, and

WHEREAS the Board of Supervisors and ex-officio Board of Canvassers has canvassed the vote of said elections in accordance with §50.24 of the Code of Iowa,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the undersigned members of the Board of Supervisors and ex-officio Board of Canvassers of Cass County, Iowa do hereby certify the following turnout report and results in the Primary Election held June 2, 2026, and that no obvious clerical errors were identified during the canvass.

Turnout:

8,980	Registered voters
1,512	Ballots cast
16.84%	Voter turnout

City candidates elected by the voters within Cass County:

Race	Republican	Democratic
FEDERAL OFFICES		
US Senator	Ashley Hinson	Josh Turek
US Rep, Dist. 3	Zach Nunn	Sarah Trone Garriott
STATE OFFICES		
Governor	Randy Feenstra	Rob Sand
Secretary of State	Paul D. Pate	Ryan Peterman
Auditor of State	Abigail Maas	Taylor Wettach
Treasurer of State	Roby Smith	John Norwood
Secretary of Agriculture	Mike Naig	Chris Jones
Attorney General	Brenna Bird	Nate Willems
State Senator Dist.	Steve Baier	No candidate
State Rep Dist. 18	Thomas Jay Moore	Tripp Narup
COUNTY OFFICES		
Supervisor Dist 2	Mark T. O'Brien	No candidate

Supervisor Dist 3	Wendy Richter	Denise O'Brien
County Treasurer	Tracey J Marshall	No candidate
County Recorder	Mary Ward	No candidate
County Attorney	Vanessa Strazdas	No candidate

Roll Call Vote:

A Baier
A Pettinger
A Green
A Richter
A O'Brien

Resolution adopted this 16th day of June, 2026.

/s/-Steve Baier, Chair

Attest: /s/-Kathy Somers, Auditor

Pettinger moved, Richter seconded, to approve Resolution No. 2026-20, Appropriations and Transfers for FY2026-2027. Ayes: Green, Pettinger, Baier, O'Brien, Richter. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Rod Deter reported on the Atlantic Cemetery Association. No action taken.

Rod Deter reported on IWCC Ag Tech Advisory Board. No action taken.

Filed Reports: Clerk of Court, Recorder, GA/MH

The following claims were approved, and the auditor authorized to issue checks for the same:

General Basic Fund

Access Systems, Inc.	Copier Contract	300.23
Alliant Energy	Utilities	159.26
Amazon Business Amazon Capital	Office Supplies	374.91
Anita Supply Center	Custodial Supplies	342.94
Anita Tribune Co Inc	Publishing	967.33
Atlantic Municipal Utilities	Utilities	889.55
Atlantic News Telegraph	Publishing	947.68
Audubon County Sheriff	Notices	36.52
Sean Berens	Cellular Services	40.00
Camblin Plumbing & Heat, Inc.	Repairs	85.00
Cappels	Supplies	450.23
Cass Co Environ Landfill	Sanitary Disposal	10.00
Cass County Sheriff	Notices	60.00
CDW Government, Inc	Equipment	1261.77
CenTec Cast Metal Products Co	Grave Markers	460.00
Choice Printing LLC	Office Supplies	160.37
Comm Foundation of Des Moines	Externship	1900.00
Cook Sanitation	Sanitary Disposal	195.00
Cott Systems, Inc Valsoft	Maintenance/License	855.00
Culligan Soft Water Serv	Cooler Rent	65.00
DAIDA	Software Service	325.00
Dell Marketing L.P C/O Dell US	Equipment	54.89
Ed's Lawn Equipment	Equipment Maintenance	268.50
Fareway Stores Inc	Food and Provisions	511.56
First Wireless, Inc	Radios	758.21
Five Q Innovations, LLC	Website Hosting and Updat	837.50
Government Forms and Supplies	Office Supplies	864.37

Griswold American Forsyth Publ	Publishing	245.80
Hadley Construction LLC	Ramp	1933.25
Mitch Holmes	Mileage	304.11
Imaging Spectrum, Inc Pakor	Supplies	294.42
Iowa Secretary of State	Notary and Postage Fees	30.00
ISAC	Registration	875.00
ISCTA IA State Co Treasurers A	Membership Dues	250.00
McAtee Tire Service Inc	Vehicle Maintenance	64.85
Mediacom	Telephone Services	927.35
Metropolitan Compounds, Inc	Custodial Supplies	1473.40
Meyer & Gross Real Estate % Se	Rent	500.00
ODP Business Solutions, LLC	Office Supplies	173.59
Olsen Fuel Supply Inc	Fuel	1024.10
OReilly Auto Parts	Vehicle Maintenance	40.96
Per Mar Security Services Corp	Monitoring Services	375.36
Brenda Pottebaum	Custodial Services	1140.00
Dan Proehl	Cellular Services	40.00
Purchase Power	Postage	727.42
Roland Funeral Services Inc	Indigent Burial	1500.00
Schmidt Family Funeral Home	Transport	650.00
Schumacher Elevator Co	Elevator Maintenance	290.00
SIRWA	Utilities	30.00
Solutions, Harris Local Gov	Software Services	10773.00
Stone Office Products	Office Supplies	114.85
The Shredder Green Resource Ma	Shredding Services	93.60
Verizon Wireless	Cellular Service	876.98
Visa Banker's Bank	Misc Expenses	3819.65
Visual Edge IT	Copier Contract	714.62
Wex Bank (Fleet)	Fuel	1828.52
21st Century Cooperative	Chemicals	396.00
MHDS Reimburseable Expense		
Access Systems, Inc.	Copier Contract	72.56
General Supplemental Fund		
Anita Tribune Co Inc	Publishing	332.81
Mary Anstey	PEO Compensation	217.50
Atlantic News Telegraph	Publishing	702.51
Ian Barrs	PEO Compensation	60.00
Marsha Borders	PEO Compensation	265.74
Julie Brown	PEO Compensation	293.04
Cass County Sheriff	Notices	987.71
Denise Chase	PEO Compensation	243.75
Margo Chester	PEO Compensation	274.56
Sherrill Clausen	PEO Compensation	242.52
Virginia Coughlin	PEO Compensation	260.16
Janet L Dorsey	PEO Compensation	263.94
Terri Duggan	PEO Compensation	288.42
Mary Dunn	PEO Compensation	263.94
Brenda Euken	PEO Compensation	302.82
Karleen Evans	PEO Compensation	242.88
Deb Field	PEO Compensation	242.50
John Fleming	PEO Compensation	272.50
Anieta Gregory	PEO Compensation	269.67
Tina Hansen	PEO Compensation	247.50
Dee Harrison	PEO Compensation	318.58
Shauna Holaday	PEO Compensation	294.94
Diane Holmes	PEO Compensation	247.50
Lori House	PEO Compensation	252.69
Sue Hunt	PEO Compensation	259.32
IMWCA	Work Comp	8343.00
Iowa Secretary of State	Notary and Postage Fees	100.86
Angela Johnson	PEO Compensation	272.62
Doyle Karas	PEO Compensation	372.76
Julie Kennon	PEO Compensation	270.16
Jayne Knight	PEO Compensation	251.25
Brook Lilly	Mileage	29.88

Judy Marnin	PEO Compensation	247.50
Carolyn Modrell	PEO Compensation	248.94
Marie Parrott	PEO Compensation	242.16
Plymouth Co Sheriff	Notices	35.00
Betty Pope	PEO Compensation	268.68
Carol Preston	PEO Compensation	269.67
Public Safety Fund	County Contribution	35599.70
Purchase Power	Postage	586.35
JoBeth Reynolds	PEO Compensation	275.92
Theresa Richard	PEO Compensation	68.64
Hannah Richter	Mileage	14.40
Kimberlee Sears	PEO Compensation	232.50
Shelby County Auditor	Rent/Utilities/Custodial	2044.50
Sandra Sothman	PEO Compensation	330.22
Michal South	PEO Compensation	284.94
Phyllis Stakey	PEO Compensation	298.50
Storey Kenworthy	Election Supplies	142.92
Mary Strong	PEO Compensation	75.00
Sheryl Sunderman	PEO Compensation	279.13
Visa Banker's Bank	Misc Expenses	140.50
Weimer Law, PC Krisanne Corl W	Juvenile Services	2100.00
Peggy Wheatley	PEO Compensation	344.50
Sharon Woodward	PEO Compensation	296.22
Rural Services Basic Fund		
Browns Shoe Fit	Uniforms	242.96
Cass Co Environ Landfill	Contribution	9630.00
Horizon Jet Wash	Vehicle Maintenance	70.00
JD Wyman Service	Vehicle Maintenance	77.93
Jones Automotive Inc	Vehicle Maintenance	497.55
LEDA	Registration	875.00
McAtee Tire Service Inc	Vehicle Maintenance	35.00
McCunn Specialty Firearms LLC	Firearm Supplies	245.00
OReilly Auto Parts	Vehicle Maintenance	96.95
Per Mar Security Services Corp	Monitoring Services	36.00
Richter & Son Towing Inc	Towing Service	275.00
Secondary Road Fund	Road Clearing	60000.00
Visa Banker's Bank	Misc Expenses	1207.75
Wex Bank Fleet Services	Fuel	5074.37
Secondary Road Fund		
Agriland FS, Inc.	Bulk Fuel	10589.52
AgriVision, LLC	Parts/Service	3.59
Alliant Energy	Utilities	229.42
Allied Oil & Supply, Inc.	Oil/Supplies	4177.43
Atlantic Ag & Auto LLC	Supplies	270.85
Atlantic News Telegraph	Publishing	106.00
Boes Repair Inc	Parts/Service	223.72
Calhoun-Burns & Assoc, Inc.	Consultant Fees	1621.50
Cass County Assessor	New Equipment	23750.00
Cintas LOC 749	Uniforms	260.38
Farm Service Coop	Supplies	496.25
Griswold Communications	Telephone Service	38.02
Hotsy Cleaning Systems Inc	Parts/Service	806.89
Iron Shop	Parts/Service	291.72
JD Wyman Service	Tire Repair	20.00
JJ Design, LLC	Supplies	289.75
Lindeman Tractor, Inc.	Parts/Service	70.56
Lloyd & Meredith	Supplies	298.00
McAtee Tire Service Inc	Tires/Tire Repair	658.67
Metal Culverts Inc	Pipe	104341.45
Debra Metheny	ROW	2327.00
Jon Metheny	ROW	1000.00
Mid American Energy	Intersection Lighting	6.06
MTS, Inc. M & K Mills Tree Ser	Sanitary Disposal	40.00
Murphy Tractor & Equip, Inc.	Parts/Service	209.89
Danny Newell	Damages	450.00

Olsen Fuel Supply Inc	Fuel	12908.53
Overhead Door Company Inc	Building Maintenance	38000.00
Purchase Power	Postage	8.88
RDO Truck Center, Co.	Parts/Service	18263.44
Sandbothe Firestone LLC	Tires/Tire Repairs	61.00
Schildberg Construction, Inc.	Rock	81201.74
SIRWA	Water	30.00
Stinn Drainage Systems, LLC	Outside Services	821.00
Stone Office Products	Office Supplies	173.99
Summit Fire Protection	Outside Services	1068.00
Verizon Wireless	Cellular Service	237.07
Visa Banker's Bank	Misc Expenses	38.41
Westel Systems	Telephone Service	37.36
Alan Wiechmann	ROW	2041.00
Yant Equipment	Supplies	10.00
Ziegler Inc.	Parts/Service	3403.51
21st Century Cooperative	Fuel	1853.01
Sheriff Investigations		
Visa Banker's Bank	Misc Expenses	14.00
Local Option Tax Fund		
Cass Co Meals on Wheels	Contribution	650.00
KJAN	Advertising	424.00
Meredith Communications LLC KS	Advertising	122.00
EMS Trust Fund 422D.6		
Midwest Medical Transport	Ambulance Services	54691.88
Local Emergency Mgmt Agency		
Verizon Wireless	Cellular Service	78.54
Environmental Control Agn		
Brockman Hauling, LLC	Contract Hauling	18045.52
Culligan Soft Water Serv	Water	11.70
Five Q Innovations, LLC	Internet Service	30.00
Hansen Interstate Repair LLC	Parts/Service	1420.00
HLW Engineering Group	Engineering Services	1102.00
Ia Dept of Nat Resources	Solid Waste Fee	7126.81
IMWCA	Work Comp	4080.00
Iowa Waste Services LLC	Waste Disposal Fees	18417.33
Massena Telephone Company	Telephone/Internet Servic	125.05
Olsen Fuel Supply Inc	Fuel	254.45
Purchase Power	Postage	101.38
Requip, LLC	Expendable Parts	307.33
Secondary Road Fund	Miscellaneous	97.39
The Office Stop	Office Supplies	40.48
Visa Banker's Bank	Miscellaneous	1097.45
Grand Total		605808.56

Green moved, Pettinger seconded, to adjourn at 10:48 a.m. All ayes. Motion Carried.

/s/-Steve Baier, Chair

Attest: /s/-Kathy Somers, Auditor