

The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, January 28, 2026, in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom, with Clint Blackburn, Dustin Sheldon, and Jeff Shearer present. A quorum was declared, and the meeting officially called to order at 9:01 a.m. Minutes of the previous board session were read and approved. The agenda was approved as posted.

Let the records show that Engineer Dan Davis, Treasurer Alise Snyder, Recorder Tarah Berry, IT Scott Evans, Maintenance Zach Benedict, and Assessor Vicki Kirkpatrick were present for this meeting.

Engineer Dan Davis met with the board for the signing of the following:

Motion by Sheldon to approve an application for approval of underground construction in the county ROW for MidAmerican Energy to install a new pole & overhead cable over Waubonsie Avenue to serve new building at 2390 Waubonsie. Blackburn, abstain; Sheldon, aye; Shearer, aye.

Motion by Shearer to sign dust control supplier's permit for Advanced Situation Mitigation in Neola, Iowa, to apply dust control product on Fremont County Roads in 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

At 9:05 a.m., Attorney Peter Johnson joined the meeting.

Motion by Sheldon to sign application for approval of underground construction in county ROW with Windstream Kinetic for 443' of fiber optic cable on 310th Street 0.15 mi from intersection of I-29 and 310th Street going west. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Shearer to sign application for approval of underground construction in county ROW with Windstream Kinetic for 1900' of fiber optic cable 0.18 mi from Swedish Road and S Street intersection going north. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sheldon to allow Chairman Blackburn to sign IDOT payment voucher with HGM Associates for engineering services for FM-CO36(83) - - 55-36 per agreement through Jan 15, 2026, for \$27,620.37. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Shearer to allow Chairman Blackburn to sign IDOT payment voucher with HGM Associates for engineering services for BROS-CO36(95)-8J-36 per agreement through Jan 15, 2026, for \$11,037.05. Motion carried unanimously.

Zach Benedict, Maintenance, met with the board requesting approval of the annual Lawn World VIP fertilizer/aeration contract renewal for \$1,923.00. Motion by Sheldon to approve the Lawn World contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Shearer to table payment to Atchison-Holt Electric Company for three-phase utility relocations and Western Contracting for single-phase on Hwy 2/I-29 Drainage District. Motion carried unanimously.

Assessor Vicki Kirkpatrick met with the board to discuss the Eagleview flight contract. They gave us savings of almost \$4,000. We can choose from one 3-year contract or two 3-year contracts at the same price. Motion by Sheldon to enter the one contract for 3 years. Motion carried unanimously.

At 9:21 a.m., Assistant Auditor Cassie Gilbert met with the board for the canvass of the 2026 Drainage Elections held on January 17th, 2026. Motion made by Blackburn to approve the 2026 Drainage Election results. Blackburn, aye; Sheldon, abstain; Shearer, aye.

Motion by Sheldon to approve Resolution No. 2026-10 New Hire Resolution for the Treasurer's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10

WHEREAS, THE Office of the Fremont County Treasurer has completed the interview process and wishes to fill the full-time vacancy position in her office. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FREMONT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

That Samantha Pierce be hired to fill the open full-time position in the Fremont County Treasurer's Office.

Motion to approve made by Sheldon.

Dated: January 28, 2026.

ATTEST:

/s/ Dee Owen
Fremont County Auditor

/s/ Clint Blackburn, Chairman	aye
/s/ Dustin Sheldon	aye
/s/ Jeff Shearer	aye

At 9:30 a.m., John Westrope, Chris Sampson, and Sean Key with ReGov Solutions presented updates to their software to the board of supervisors, auditor, treasurer, recorder, and assessor. Those departments, along with the secondary road department, use this type of software in their offices for day-to-day county business. The board and departments discussed the software needs and current issues.

Claims were approved for January 30, 2026.

The board reviewed budgets of treasurer, recorder, and auditor.

At 11:17 a.m., with no further business, Sheldon motioned to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:


Dee Owen, Auditor


Clint Blackburn, Chairman