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NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILL THE VACANCY OF LOUISA COUNTY TREASURER BY APPOINTMENT

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, July 1st, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., the Louisa County of Board of Supervisors will fill the vacancy of the Louisa County Treasurer by appointment pursuant to Code of Iowa §69.14A(2). The Board will convene in the Louisa County Annex, 503 Franklin St, Wapello, IA 52653.

Eligible electors of Louisa County have the right to file a petition with the County Auditor requiring that the vacancy be filled by special election. The petition requires a minimum of 515 signatures of eligible electors in Louisa County and must be filed within 14 days after publication of this notice or within 14 days of the actual appointment.

This notice is published in accordance with §69.14A of the Code of Iowa.

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HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!

PUBLIC NOTICE

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION COLUMBUS COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT Tuesday, June 17, 2025

The Board of Directors of Columbus Community School District convened a special board meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at the Administration Building in Columbus Junction, Iowa.

Present were, President Carol Zuniga, Vice-President Todd Heck (via Teams) and Directors Dan Heindel and Andy White (both via Teams). Stacy Storm was absent. In addition, Business Manager and Board Secretary Neil Mills was present.

Board Meeting Agenda
Todd Heck moved to approve the agenda.
Seconded by Dan Heindel.
Ayes: four Nays: none. Carried.

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New Business
Andy White moved to approve the one resignation and four hires.
Resignation – Sara Campa – Roundy SPED Para
Hire – Cassica Stewart – Roundy Principal
Hire – Tara Utter – Elementary PE
Hire – Jacob Korbakes - Varsity Basketball
Hire - Michael Aragon - JV Basketball
Seconded by Dan Heindel.
Ayes: four Nays: none. Carried.

Andy White moved to adjourn.
Seconded by Dan Heindel.
Ayes: four. Nays: none. Carried.
Meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

/s/ Carol Zuniga, School Board President, /s/ Neil A. Mills, School Board Secretary

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR LOUISA COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOSEPH HARVEY BLOOMER, Deceased CASE NO.ESPR017576 NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of JOSEPH HARVEY BLOOMER, deceased, who died on our about May 24, 2025.

You are hereby notified that on June 12, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of JOSEPH HARVEY BLOOMER, deceased, bearing the date of February 8, 2028, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Jakob Bloomer was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the District Court of said 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 all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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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 said 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 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 this 13th day of June, 2025.

s/Jakob Bloomer
Executor of the Estate
27253 County Rd X17
Columbus Junction, IA 52738

Phil Parsons
Attorney for Executor
206 West Main Street
P.O. Box 38
Washington, IA 52353

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SUPERVISOR'S MINUTE BOOK "EE" LOUISA COUNTY, IOWA 63 June 10, 2025

The Louisa County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Supervisor's office. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Shawn Maine, Chair. The following board members were present: Scot Hunt and Kevin Hardin. Board members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted. Public attending meeting: Jim Rudisill, Bill Poggemiller, Bill Small, Randy Schlutz, Randy Foor, Carie Murray, Cyndi Mears,

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Ed Mears, Barb Kerr, Randy Griffin, Kathy Jolly-Vance, Brian Thye, Adam Shutt, Jacob Ewart, Ed Fisher, and Adam Parsons. Assessor's Office, Records Office, Secondary Roads, Beth Hardin, Laura Havel, Leah McElhinney/ Public Health, and Tim Coleman via zoom.

Pledge of Allegiance
Motion Hardin, second Hunt to approve agenda for June 10, 2025 with motion to move item #11 to end of the Agenda.

Motion Hunt, second Hardin to approve minutes for June 3, 2025.

Hunt spoke with Farm Service regarding bid for LP tank.

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Hardin did not attend any meetings. Maine spoke with Red Lion Renewable Energy Solar regarding when they are connecting Courthouse to Solar Panels.

No payroll changes to report. Public Input is Randy Foor wants the Board of Supervisors aware of Governor Reynolds discussion last week regarding county consolidation. Other public input was from Jacob Ewart who reports he has hired Brian Thye as the seasonal mower for the Complex.

Kathy Jolly-Vance, Historical Preservation, requested the Board of Supervisors approve contract for Eocene Environment

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tal Group consulting services in preparation of: A Downtown Historic Survey for Columbus Jct. & Wapello. Hunt asked if the County would be responsible for any of the \$20,000 cost for the survey & Kathy explained that cities will each pay \$16,000, Historical Preservation \$2,000, & remaining amount will come from grants. Maine abstains from vote as he is a business owner in downtown Wapello.

Motion Hunt, second Hardin to approve Contract for Consulting for Downtown Historic Inventories Project.

Motion Hardin, second Hunt to approve ISAC HIPAA Service

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Agreement for FY2026.
Adam Shutt, Engineer, gave weekly update.

Adam Shutt, Engineer and Adam Parsons discussed vacating Ashland Subdivision Right of Way. Adam Shutt explained that Beacon shows this as a ROW, which is incorrect, and would not be under Secondary Roads jurisdiction. According to Adam Parsons, the alley is owned by the County, County would need to vacate first, then execute quit claim deeds. Shutt suggested splitting the alley among neighbors and quit claim deed with no money exchanged. Board of Supervisors agreed and asked that Selena add

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approval to proceed to vacate alley on next week's Agenda, with transfer after. Adam Parsons will work on getting a legal description.

Motion Hardin; second Hunt to table item #12 until next week's Agenda.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting on motion adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

/s/ Selena Gerst, Clerk, /s/ Shawn Maine, Chairman of Board

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