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Notice of Hearing  
- Drainage District  
NO.78 - Annexation  
of Land - Winnebago  
County Auditor's  
Office

NOTICE OF HEARING OF ANNEXATION OF LAND IN DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO 78 IN WINNEBAGO COUNTY

TO: Landowners in Drainage District No 78 in Winnebago County, Iowa  
TO: All lienholders or encumbrancers of any land within said Drainage District No 78 and to all other persons whom it may concern, including actual occupants of the lands in and including Drainage District No 78, Winnebago County, Iowa.

**YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that the Board of Supervisors of Winnebago County, Iowa, acting in behalf of Drainage District No 78, in said county, have employed Jacobson-Westergard Inc, as an engineer to examine such additional lands, to make a survey and plat thereof showing the relation, elevation and condition of drainage with reference to Drainage District No 78 and to make and file with Winnebago County Auditor a report as provided by law. Said report to specify the character of benefits has been received.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that Collin Klingbeil, drainage engineer with Jacobson-Westergard Inc, has filed his report with the Auditor of Winnebago County on April 29, 2025. The Board of Supervisors have set the time and place of hearing on said report for **May 27, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. at the Winnebago County Courthouse in Forest City, Iowa.** At said hearing, the Board of Supervisors shall consider such report, plats and profiles and if satisfied that any of such lands are materially benefited by the district and that such annexation is feasible, expedient, and for the public good, it shall proceed to annex said lands to Drainage District No 78 as provided by law.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that all objections to the proposed annexation of said lands and any claim for damages must be in writing and filed with the County Auditor of Winnebago County at or before the time set for hearing.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that at such hearing, the Board may hear evidence both for and against the approval of the report or any portion thereof, but it shall not be competent to show that any of the land in the district assessed for benefits will not be benefited by such repairs or improvements to some degree. Any interested party may be heard in argument by himself or counsel.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that if you fail to object, the Board of Supervisors can make a final decision to acquire additional right of way, annex additional lands and reclassify Drainage District 78. **As a consequence of your failure to object, you lose your right to appeal the final decision within twenty (20) days to the Iowa District Court.**

**THIS NOTICE** is published and mailed as provided by law at the direction of the Board of Supervisors of Winnebago County, Iowa, acting on behalf of Drainage District No 78. For further particulars, you are referred to the Engineer's Report of Annexation which is on file at the County Auditor's Office in Winnebago County, Iowa, or on the Winnebago County website at [www.winnebago-county-iowa.gov](http://www.winnebago-county-iowa.gov) under the View All News tab. Dated this 29th day of April, 2025. Karla Weiss, Winnebago County Auditor. Published in the Buffalo Center Tribune on April 30, 2025

Ordinance NO. #5-2025 - City of Thompson

ORDINANCE NO. #5-2025  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF THOMPSON, IOWA BY AMENDING SECTIONS 165.08, 165.13 & 165.20 REGARDING PROHIBITED USED IN CLASS A RESIDENTIAL AND INDUSTRIAL ZONING DISTRICTS AND REQUIRING A PERMIT FOR EXCAVATING

**BE IT ENACTED** by the City Council of the City of Thompson, Iowa: **SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED.** Section 165.08 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Thompson, Iowa, is amended to add the following subsection: **165.08 CLASS A RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.**

**6. POND REGULATIONS.**

1. No person shall construct or make improvements to any pond located in the City, including any enlargement, dredging or modifications of an existing pond. This prohibition applies to all ponds including without limitation, those ponds utilized for drainage, recreation, aesthetics, sediment control, and fish management.

2. Definition. As used in this Section, a pond means any outdoor excavation capable of containing in excess of two (2) feet of water at its deepest point and is less than 20,000 square feet.

**SECTION 2. SECTION MODIFIED.** Section 165.13 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Thompson, Iowa, is amended to add the following subsection: **165.13 CLASS A INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT.**

7. Cement or Concrete Crushing Prohibited. No cement or concrete crushing is Permitted.

**SECTION 3. SECTION MODIFIED.** Section 165.20 of the Code of Ordinance of the City

of Thompson, Iowa, is amended to substitute the following paragraph for the first paragraph under that section:

"It is unlawful to commence or to proceed with the erection, construction, reconstruction, alteration, enlargement, extension, excavation, or moving of any building, structure, or any portion thereof, or with excavation regulated by the Code of Ordinances, without first having applied in writing to the Clerk for a building permit to do so, and until a building permit has been granted therefor as prescribed herein."

**SECTION 3. REPEALER.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the Provisions of this ordinances are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.** If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 5. WHEN EFFECTIVE.** This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Council the 15th day of April 2025 and approved this 15th day of April 2025.

Second Reading: Waived

Third Reading: Waived

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. #5-2025 on the 30th day of April 2025.

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Notice of Hearing  
- Drainage District  
NO.78 - Reclassification - Winnebago  
County Auditor's  
Office

NOTICE OF HEARING OF RECLASSIFICATION OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO 78 IN WINNEBAGO COUNTY, IOWA

TO: Landowners in Drainage District No 78 in Winnebago County, Iowa  
TO: All lienholders or encumbrancers of any land within said Drainage District No 78 and to all other persons whom it may concern, including actual occupants of the lands in and including Drainage District No 78, Winnebago County, Iowa.

**YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that the Board of Supervisors of Winnebago County, Iowa, acting as Trustees for Drainage District No 78, appointed a Classification Commission, as provided by law, for the reclassification of the Drainage District No 78, Winnebago County, Iowa. The classification commission has filed its report with the Winnebago County Auditor, Forest City, Iowa. The report fixes the percentage of actual benefits and makes an equitable apportionment of costs and expenses of the repairs or improvements required in this District. There is a copy of this report in its entirety in the office of the Winnebago County Auditor or on the Winnebago County website at [www.winnebago-county-iowa.gov](http://www.winnebago-county-iowa.gov) under the View All News tab.

**RECLASSIFICATION** is shown in the Classification Commissioners' Report on Reclassification of benefits for each of the 40-acre tracts or other tracts in Drainage District No 78.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that the assessment schedule sets out a classification and assessment which shall be the basis for future repairs and improvements made in this District. The Winnebago County Board of Supervisors has tentatively accepted the report as filed and has fixed the time for hearing on said **Reclassification report for May 27, 2025 at 10:05 A.M.**, at the Winnebago County Courthouse, in Forest City, Iowa. You may call into the meeting at 641-591-6903 (Participant Code: 149935) if you are unable to attend in person.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that all objections to the Reclassification Report must be in writing and filed with the Winnebago County Auditor at or before the time set for the hearing. At said hearing the Board of Supervisors shall hear and determine all written objections to the report, and may affirm, increase or decrease the percentage of benefits or apportionment of costs and expenses made in the report against any tract of land in the District, as may appear to the Board to be just and equitable.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that at such hearing, the Board may hear evidence both for and against the approval of the report or any portion thereof, but it shall not be competent to show that any of the land in the district assessed for benefits will not be benefited by such repairs or improvements to some degree. Any interested party may be heard in argument by himself or counsel.

**YOU ARE FINALLY NOTIFIED** that your failure to file a written objection may result in the consequence of waiving your right to appeal any decision to the District Court.

**THIS NOTICE** is published and mailed as provided by law at the direction of the Board of Supervisors of Winnebago County, Iowa, acting as Trustees of Drainage District No 78. Dated this 29th day of April, 2025. Karla Weiss, Winnebago County Auditor. Published in the Buffalo Center Tribune on April 30, 2025

Claims March 2025 - City of Thompson

CLAIMS REPORT

Vendor Checks: 3/01/2025 - 3/31/2025

Payroll Checks: 3/01/2025 - 3/31/2025

VENDOR NAME	REFERENCE	VENDOR TOTAL
AGSOURCE COOP SERVICES	testing	14.50
ALELM	legal	1282.50
ALLIANT ENERGY	utilities	3896.22
AUDITOR OF STATE	state audit	1500.00
AUSTIN OFFICE PRODUCTS	supplies	170.46
BOMGAARS	supplies	87.33
EFTPS	FICA	2153.79
FORD, FOREST CITY	f-250 truck/parts	39467.63
HANSON LP GAS	lp/fd	2622.05
HAWKINS	chemical	20.00
HEARTLAND POWER COOP	street loan repair	2025.94
HUBER	welding supply	62.61
IOWA ASSOC. OF MUNICIPAL	dues	717.66
IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE	excise tax	606.40
SALES TAX	sale tax	51.87
IPERS	IPERS	1911.42
JOHNSTON AUTOSTORES	supply	41.49
JUSTIN WIEBENSOHN	Medical reburst	155.39
MENARD'S	gate/generator	753.54
MID AMERICAN PUB	publishing	73.00
NSB BANK	nsf fee tax	17.12
NUWAY-K&H COOP	fuel/oil/pool	614.56
PAT LEVINE	mar ins, medicare	715.00
POST OFFICE	postage	161.28
STAPLES	supply	230.33
THOMPSON PUBLIC LIB	Mar payment	750.00
TREASURER-STATE OF IA	taxes	249.23
USABUEBOOK	coupling	445.75
VISA	supply	551.60
WASTE MANAGEMENT	GB/RC	3707.21
WELLMARK BC/BS	medical	677.93
WINNEBAGO COUNTY -SECONDARY	blizzard	240.00
WINNEBAGO TELEPHONE COOP	phone/internet	218.36
ZARNOTH BRUSH WORKS INC	part for sweeper	440.50
	Accounts Payable Total	66,698.46

Payroll Checks		
	001 GENERAL	1,548.94
	110 ROAD USE TAX	659.06
	600 WATER	717.14
	610 SEWER	717.14
	Total Paid On: 3/11/25	3,642.28
	001 GENERAL	1,521.96
	110 ROAD USE TAX	724.88
	600 WATER	717.14
	610 SEWER	717.14
	Total Paid On: 2/25/25	3,681.12
	Total Payroll Paid	7,323.40
	Report Total	74,021.86
FUND	NAME	AMOUNT
001 GENERAL		58,433.01
110 ROAD USE TAX		5,172.35
200 DEBT SERVICE		2,025.94
600 WATER		4,479.72
610 SEWER		3,910.84
Total Funds		74,021.86

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Special April Minutes  
04.21.25 - City of  
Buffalo Center

**The Buffalo Center City Council met for a public hearing on the 2025-2026 proposed budget on Monday, April 21, 2025 at 7pm at City Hall.** Council present: Armstrong, Holland, Steffensen, Weaver, Kettwick. Citizens present: Andrew Shaw, Beau Holland.

Mayor Rick Hofbauer called the hearing to order. Steffensen moved, seconded by Kettwick, to approve the agenda. All ayes, motion carried. Mayor Hofbauer asked for any public comment on the proposed budget, there was none.

Armstrong moved, seconded by Holland, to close the hearing. Hearing closed.

Mayor Rick Hofbauer called the special session to order. Armstrong moved, seconded by Weaver, to approve the agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

Armstrong moved, seconded by Holland, to adopt Resolution 4-2025 approving the 2025-2026 proposed budget. Roll call vote: five ayes. Resolution carried.

Steffensen moved, seconded by Weaver, to hire Jaycee Plath as the 6 th & 7 th grade softball instructor for the 2025 season. All ayes, motion carried.

Armstrong moved, seconded by Kettwick, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes, meeting adjourned.

Rick Hofbauer, Mayor  
ATTEST:

Deb Landheer

City Clerk

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Minutes 04.21.25  
Special Meeting - City  
of Lakota

City of Lakota Special Meeting Lakota Community Center April 21, 2025, 7:15 p.m. Mayor Pro-tem Janssen called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. Council members present were Hagedorn, Janssen, Meyer, Price, and Steven. Mayor Heidecker was absent. City Staff present was Pam Ahlstrom. Hagedorn moved; Price seconded to approve the agenda. All approved, motion carried. **Old Business:** The city clerk will ask Chris Diggins-NIACOG to attend 5/5 council meeting to review the Code of Ordinances Draft. A flat rate of \$14 will be added to each resident's utility bill to cover the SRF water loan shortfall. **New Business:** Steven moved; Price seconded to approve Resolution 2025-04-21, A Resolution adopting the City of Lakota's Annual Budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026. Roll-call vote: Hagedorn-aye, Janssen-aye, Meyer-aye, Price-aye, Steven-aye. Resolution carried. Price moved; Hagedorn seconded to approve the new city attorney engagement agreement with Siegrist, Jones, Lipps and Bakke effective 7/1/2025. All approved, motion carried.

Hagedorn moved; Price seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. All approved, motion carried. Pamela Ahlstrom, City Clerk/Treas. ATTEST: Mayor Pro-tem, Royce Janssen  
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Minutes 04.15.25 - BOS Winnebago County

**The Winnebago County Board of Supervisors met in session at 9:00 A.M. April 15, 2025, adjourned from April 8, 2025.**

Present: Supervisors Durby, Smith, and Jensvold by phone  
On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the minutes for the April 8, 2025 Board Meeting and approve the agenda for April 15, 2025. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith to open the Public Hearing for the Winnebago County Budget for Fiscal Year 2025/2026. All voted aye. Motion carried. Present at the meeting were Supervisors Durby and Smith and Supervisor Jensvold by phone, Karla Weiss, Auditor and Bennie Hostetter. On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith to close the Public Hearing. All voted aye. Motion carried. On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the Winnebago County Budget for 2025/2026. All voted aye. Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding the salvage yard in northern Winnebago County. There is new information that Kelsey Beenken, Attorney will be checking into, and this will be discussed again on May 6, 2025.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve Chris Barber as the member for the Winnebago River Watershed Coalition and Susan Smith as the alternate. All voted aye. Motion carried. Kris Oswald, Drainage Clerk, discussed drainage matters.

There was discussion regarding cleaning out of a portion of the Winnebago River by where DD 1 outlets. Supervisor Durby asked Chris Barber, Conservation to discuss with the DNR the river cleanup. The County Conservation department does not have proper equipment to clean out the river. The Winnebago River Watershed Coalition is getting an engineer's study of the river. Scott Meinders, Engineer and Ethan Schutter, Maintenance Supervisor discussed Secondary Road matters including the new building us going up. Maintainers are out and trucks are spot loading crushed concrete to soft spots on the gravel roads.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the FY 2026 Secondary Road budget and five-year construction program. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve a 28E agreement with the City of Leland for the division of Administrative and Financial Responsibility to replace the J-01-NX1 Bridge. All voted aye. Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding the 5-year inspection of the Courthouse exterior. Overall, the Courthouse is in good condition. However, Karla Weiss, Auditor and Kevin Pederson, Maintenance will need to create 5 year and 10 year plans to keep the building in good repair.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to close the Courthouse and Public Health buildings on July 22, 2025 at 12:00 P.M. for RAGBRAI. Employees are encouraged to volunteer. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the most current quote for repairing the Treasurer's window for \$2,950.00 from Advanced Door Systems. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On a motion by Durby and seconded by Smith the Supervisors moved to approve the following Auditor's Transfer: #4013 from Rural Basic to Secondary Roads for \$452,384.73. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The following claims were approved and ordered to be paid:

8th St Apartments	Rent	\$550.00
Access Systems	Services	\$163.50
AH Hermel Co	Supplies	\$1,388.89
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$206.44
Amazon Capital Services	Supplies	\$194.10
Arnold Motor Supply	Parts	\$723.00
BC Hardware	Supplies	\$29.98
Belinda Rasmuson-Oulman	Services	\$200.00
Bomgaars	Supplies	\$684.61
Brian Roberts	Services	\$200.00
Chelsey Ostrander	Mileage	\$264.57
Chris Heyer	Mileage	\$83.30
Cintas Corp	Supplies	\$74.63
City of Buffalo Center	Utilities	\$45.40
City of Forest City	Utilities	\$281.47
Column Software PBC	Advertising	\$422.86
Dave Randall Construction	Services	\$2,175.38
DH Hydraulics	Supplies	\$486.43
Electronic Engineering	Services	\$1,035.00
Fisher Painting Services	Services	\$3,612.12
Five Star Cooperative	Fuel	\$133.86
Gold Eagle Coop	Fuel	\$1,608.89
Hancock Co Health System	Services	\$1,724.00
Heartland Power	Utilities	\$595.00
Heartland Security Svcs LLC	Services	\$227.40
Hy-Vee Inc	Supplies	\$16.95
ICEOO District II	Education	\$40.00
Iowa Assn of Business & Ind	Dues	\$500.00
Iowa Communications Network	Telephone	\$452.00
Iowa Dept of Inspec & Appeals	Services	\$175.00
Iowa Prison Industries	Supplies	\$351.56
Iowa Secretary of State	Notary	\$30.00
Iowa State University	Education	\$50.00
IP Pathways	Services	\$734.94
John Deere Financial	Services	\$900.24
J-T Machine & Tool	Parts	\$150.00
KC Nielsen Ltd	Parts	\$27.45
Kimball Midwest	Supplies	\$658.92
KIOW	Advertising	\$1,933.00
Kris Oswald	Reimbursement	\$14.49
Kwik Trip Inc	Fuel	\$4,447.93
Larsen Plumbing & Htg	Services	\$136.89
Legal Shield	Services	\$252.30
Mail Services	Services	\$443.82
Mailing Services	Services	\$2,287.72
Mary Lou Cleveland	Mileage	\$39.63
MDS Records Management	Services	\$78.00
Melissa Michaelis	Mileage	\$590.20
Mercy Clinics	Services	\$100.00
Mid-America Publishing Corp	Advertising	\$656.63
Midwest Group Benefits	Services	\$731.00
Midwest Wheel & Equip Co	Parts	\$715.22
MN Iowa Electric Motors & Equip	Supplies	\$123.48
Molly Eichenberger	Services	\$200.00
Motorola Solutions Inc	Supplies	\$18,488.00
Nelson Media Company	Advertising	\$3,000.00
Next Generation Technologies	Services	\$3,677.00
Northwood Anchor	Advertising	\$199.80
NuWay	Fuel	\$1,857.31
ODP Business Solutions LLC	Supplies	\$51.10
Park Place Technologies LLC	Services	\$8,765.06
Peterson Sanitation Inc	Services	\$66.00
Petroblend Corp	Supplies	\$4,868.21
Ricoh Usa Inc	Services	\$473.56
Sector LLC	Supplies	\$8,946.78
Singelstad Hardware	Supplies	\$445.19
Sirchie Fingerprint Labs	Supplies	\$102.20
State Hygienic Laboratory	Services	\$1,172.50
T-Mobile	Telephone	\$25.80
Todd Lewis	Equipment	\$4,500.00
Town Square Apts	Rent	\$480.00
Visa	Supplies	\$3,915.79
Visual Edge IT Inc	Services	\$51.19
Wagner Tire	Services	\$32.10
WCTA	Telephone	\$2,539.91
Wex Bank	Fuel	\$239.88
Windstream	Telephone	\$123.84
Ziegler Inc	Parts	\$5,251.97

There was a safety meeting at 10:30 AM. Chelsey Ostrander, Auditor's Office talked about having incident reviews after an employee has a claim and passed out incident review reports. The Department head will give the review. Ostrander met with Scott Smith from IMWCA, and they set goals of being more mindful of our surroundings and looking ahead at knowing where you're going and what to expect when you get there. Ultimately, it would be nice if the County has less claims going forward. Kudos to the department heads who are encouraging their employees to call the Company Nurse when there is an issue. Ostrander sent posters that included the information to call Company Nurse. Ostrander will revisit the slips, trips, and falls in the fall and told everyone about grants available for traction aids.

The session was adjourned until 9:00 A.M. April 22, 2025. Susan Smith, Chairperson. Attest: Karla Weiss, County Auditor.

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Special Meeting 04.15.25 - North Iowa CSD

Special Meeting  
Tuesday, April 15th, 2025

The North Iowa Community School Board of Education met to hold a Special meeting on Tuesday, April 15th, 2025, in the High School Media Center at North Iowa School. The meeting was called to order at 6:00P by Pres. Duve with members Brass, Duve, Kettwick, Plath, Viergutz and Wubben present. Absent: Wirtjes. Also in attendance was Sec. Hagedorn.

Wubben moved, Plath seconded to approve the agenda. Ayes: 6. Carried. Kettwick moved, Wubben seconded to move to a closed session board hold a closed session as provided in Section 21.5(1) (i) of the open meetings law to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation. Ayes: 6 (Brass, Duve, Kettwick, Plath, Viergutz and Wubben). Carried. The time was 6:01P. Plath moved, Wubben seconded to exit closed session. Ayes: 6. (Brass, Duve, Kettwick, Plath, Viergutz and Wubben). Carried. The time was 7:25P. The board took a short recess at 7:25P.

Plath moved, Brass seconded to move to a closed session board hold a closed session as provided in Section 21.5(1) (i) of the open meetings law to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation. Ayes: 6 (Brass, Duve, Kettwick, Plath, Viergutz and Wubben). Carried. The time was 7:30P. Kettwick moved, Plath seconded to exit closed session. Ayes: 6 (Brass, Duve, Kettwick, Plath, Viergutz and Wubben). Carried. The time was 8:26P. Kettwick moved, Viergutz seconded to direct Supt. Erickson to contact Forest City School District to prepare a sharing agreement for the 2025-2026 school year for the superintendent position, to be presented at the regular April board meeting. Ayes: 6. Carried.

Kettwick moved, Wubben seconded to adjourn. Ayes: 6. Carried. The time was 9:13P.

Matt Duve, President

Kortney Hagedorn, Secretary

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