

# Workshop will help beef producers plan successful season

Iowa State University Extension

WESTPHALIA — Feed costs and reproductive inefficiency are the two largest expenses in a beef cow enterprise.

To help beef producers gear up for a successful breeding season, the Iowa Beef Center at Iowa State University, ISU Extension and Outreach Shelby County and Farm Service Cooperative are partnering on a breeding season workshop focused on nutrition.

The program is set for 6-8 p.m. April 29 at St. Boniface Parish Hall, 305 Duren St., Westphalia. A meal will be served at 5:30 p.m.

Erika Lundy-Woolfolk, ISU extension beef specialist for southwest Iowa, is coordinating the workshop and said attendees will benefit from the variety of topics addressed.

“Nutrition is one of the most important factors that must be managed well in order to reach calf crop goals,”



Lundy-Woolfolk said. “The workshop will include both classroom and hands-on learning opportunities focused on the importance of nutrition leading up to and through the breeding season.”

Presentations will address nutrition’s role in reproduction, livestock risk protection options and using ration formulation software to assess beef diets.

Presenters will also answer questions from those in attendance.

In addition to Lundy-

Woolfolk, presenters are Tim Christensen, ISU Extension and Outreach farm management specialist; Dan Hosch, with Zinpro, and Noah Sellner, with Nelson Farm Supply.

The workshop is offered at no cost to attendees, and, thanks to sponsorship from Farm Service Cooperative, the evening meal is also provided at no charge.

RSVP no later than April 23 by calling Shelby County Extension at 712-755-3104 or emailing dlascot@iastate.edu.

# Wetland Field Day near Osage set for April 10

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AMES — Iowa Learning Farms, in partnership with the Floyd and Mitchell County Soil and Water Conservation Districts, will host a wetland field day Thursday, April 10, from noon to 2 p.m. at the New Haven Mennonite Community Center near Osage.

The event is offered at no cost to farmers and landowners and includes a complimentary meal.

Water quality enhancement wetlands are constructed to reduce nitrogen loads from croplands to streams and rivers while also providing wildlife habitat and increased recreational opportunities.

To accelerate the installation of wetlands across the state to help meet the Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy goals, the Iowa Water Quality Initiative offers flexible, cost-share funding to help install wetlands in areas that do not meet other program requirements.

To date, more than 138 water quality enhancement wetlands have been

completed and 88 additional wetlands are set to begin construction in the next two or three years.

Field day attendees will have the opportunity to hear from Mitchell County landowner Myrna Hoisington about the recently completed water quality enhancement wetland constructed on her land near Orchard.

Kurt Hoeft, Iowa Drainage District Association wetland field specialist, will discuss how wetlands improve water quality and wildlife habitat. Brandon Dittman, Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship wetlands project manager, will share how to get involved with the Water Quality Initiative and the water quality enhancement wetland program, and will share details on the construction of the wetland featured in this field day.

A walking tour of the newly completed wetland will conclude the field day, weather permitting.

The field day will begin at the New Haven Mennonite Community Center, 3000 360th St., Osage, and will be held

rain or shine.

The event is offered at no cost and is open to farmers and landowners, though reservations are required to ensure adequate space and food. For reasonable accommodations and to RSVP please contact Will Kopp by April 3 at 641-426-4215 or William.Kopp@ia.nacdn.net.

Attendees will be entered in a drawing for ISU Prairie Strips honey.

Iowa Learning Farms field days and workshops are supported by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Established in 2004, Iowa Learning Farms is building a Culture of Conservation by encouraging adoption of conservation practices. Partners of Iowa Learning Farms include the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, and Iowa Department of Natural Resources, EPA Section 319 Grant Program and GROW-MARK Inc.

# CLASSIFIEDS

## LEGAL NOTICES

March 17, 2025

The Poweshiek County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. Members present: Jason Roudabush, Jacki Bolen, and Jeff Tindle. Also present: Matt Maschmann, Sheriff and Steve Kivi, Chief Deputy Sheriff.

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve agenda. 3 ayes. Motion carried. Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve March 10, 2025, board minutes. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Board held 2nd Tier Canvass for Special Election held March 4, 2025. Present: Laura Tish, Assistant Commissioner of Elections. Votes cast for Grinnell-Newburg Community School Public Measure A for Poweshiek County and Jasper County were read. Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve 2nd Tier Canvass of March 4, 2025, Special Election canvass of votes and declare Public Measure A passing for the Grinnell-Newburg Community School. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Sheriff Maschmann discussed hiring another deputy. The candidate is not certified so he will need to attend the academy in May. Sheriff Maschmann stated he has wages in his budget and would like to get an offer out and enroll the candidate in the academy.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve March 14, 2025, payroll for \$318,900.53. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush at 9:01 a.m. to enter a public hearing regarding disposal of interest in real estate. 3 ayes. Motion carried. Present: Jason Roudabush, Jacki Bolen, Jeff Tindle, Supervisors; Missy Ellander, Auditor; Scott Steffen; and Roger Steffen. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments regarding the transfer of Lot A in Lot 8 in Lot 2 in the SE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 15, Township 79, Range 13 West of the 5th P.M., according to the Plat thereof appearing of record in Survey Book 1, Page 98. In 1982, Roger & Mary Steffen deeded said property to Poweshiek County and Larry & Julie Grier deeded Lot A in Lot 9 in Lot 2 to Poweshiek County. The intent was for Poweshiek County to build a maintenance shop on both these parcels of land but that fell through so Poweshiek County agreed to transfer the parcel to the respective owners. Poweshiek County deeded Lot A in Lot 9 in Lot 2 back to Larry & Julie Grier but research shows that Lot A in Lot 8 in Lot 2 was never transferred back to Roger & Mary Steffen and Poweshiek County is still the owner of record. Poweshiek County intends to clear up this matter and transfer the property back to Steffens. Having heard no comments from the public, it was moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen at 9:04 a.m. to close the public hearing. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve Resolution #2025-25 disposing of Lot A in Lot 8 in Lot 2 SE ¼ SE ¼, Section 15, Township 79, Range 13 West of the 5th P.M., according to the Plat thereof appearing of record in Survey Book 1, Page 98 and to prepare necessary Quit Claim Deed for transfer. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #2025-25**

WHEREAS, the Code of Iowa Chapter 331.361(2) states in disposing of an interest in real property by sale or exchange the board shall set forth its proposal in a resolution and shall publish notice of the time and place of a public hearing on the proposal, in accordance with Section 331.305 Code of Iowa, and WHEREAS, Resolution #2025-24 was approved on the 24 day of February 2025, setting the date and time of the public hearing, and WHEREAS, the Notice of Public Hearing was published in the three official county newspapers, and WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Poweshiek County held a public hearing on the 17 day of March 2025 to receive public comments regarding the advisability of the transfer of Lot A in Lot 8 in Lot 2 in the SE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 15, Township 79, Range 13 West of the 5th P.M., according to the Plat thereof appearing of record in Survey Book 1, Page 98, and WHEREAS, present at the hearing speaking for or against the disposing of real estate were Scott Steffen and Roger Steffen, and WHEREAS, Chapter 331.331(2) (b) Code of Iowa states after the public hearing, the Board may make a final determination on the proposal by Resolution.

THEREFORE, per this resolution, the Poweshiek County Board of Supervisors propose to dispose of Lot A in Lot 8 in Lot 2 in the SE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 15, Township 79, Range 13 West of the 5th P.M., according to the Plat thereof appearing of record in Survey Book 1, Page 98 to Roger L. & Mary M. Steffen. The Quit Claim Deed will be prepared by Bart Klaver, Poweshiek County Attorney. The Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and the County Auditor are authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents required for the sale of the described real estate. Approved this 17 day of March 2025. POWESHIEK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Jeff Tindle, Chairman  
Jason Roudabush, Vice Chairman  
Jacki Bolen, Member  
Attest: Melissa Ellander, Poweshiek County Auditor

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve engagement agreement with DA Davidson regarding possible issuance of GO Bonds related to TIF-related infrastructure improvements including road and bridge improvements and authorize the chair to sign. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve Utility Permit #25-15U to MidAmerican Energy Co. for work in Section 34, Sugar Creek Township and authorize the chair to sign. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Board reviewed the County and MHDS Region Data Release Form provided by ISAC. The purpose of the release form is

to provide all historical and current committal data entered by the advocate being requested by HHS of which Poweshiek County is the lawful custodian. County Attorney Klaver advised the board to sign the release. Therefore, upon the request and advice of the County Attorney, it was moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve HHS data release form and authorize the chair to sign. 3 ayes. Motion carried. Kristin Fantazia, General Assistance meeting scheduled today was canceled and will be rescheduled. Galyn Nook, IT Director meeting scheduled today was canceled and will be rescheduled.

Bolen stated she attended the Board of Health meeting last week and one discussion was the placement of an outdoor AED at Diamond Lake Park. Tindle stated he has a DeCAT Zoom meeting today and EMA board meeting on Wednesday.

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen at 10:45 a.m. to adjourn.

Melissa Ellander, Poweshiek County Auditor Jeff Tindle, Chairman

March 20, 2025

The Poweshiek County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. Members present: Jason Roudabush, Jacki Bolen, and Jeff Tindle. Also present: Derek Bates, The Record.

Moved by Bolen to amend the agenda to reflect the correct date as Thursday, 2nd by Roudabush to approve the agenda as amended. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve March 17, 2025, board minutes. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve a request by ISA Poweshiek County Extension to use the courthouse lawn for an open house on Friday, April 11 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve fireworks display permit to Lake Ponderosa Association for a display on July 5. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Tyler Nielson, Conservation Director met with the board for a monthly update and provided minutes from the monthly conservation board meeting. Nielson stated he had an employee who gave notice to terminate employment. Therefore, Nielson will be working on getting a post for the vacant position.

Dan Nieland, Pow. I-80 Development met with the board for a monthly economic development update. Nieland provided information on grants available for businesses and that he has been trying to get the word out to those businesses in the county that may qualify. The downtown assessments are scheduled with Brooklyn being May 20 & 21; Montezuma evening of May 21 and May 22 & 23; and Grinnell on June 4, 5, & 6. Nieland has been working with entrepreneurs who are interested in starting a business in Poweshiek County. He has received some requests for information regarding any possible locations for manufacturing and indoor ag businesses within the county. Nieland stated the economic development annual event is April 15 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm at Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance conference center.

Galyn Nook, IT Director met to provide an IT update for the county. Nook stated the infrastructure is in a good place. Nook continues to work on obtaining the .gov domain.

Kristin Fantazia, General Assistance Director met for a weekly General Assistance update. Discussion was held regarding updating the GA guidelines, updating the information on the website, and making sure to have the income guidelines updated for 2025.

Board briefly discussed the process for filling the vacancy of Treasurer when she retires on June 30. The board discussed its intention to fill the vacancy by appointment. Auditor will work to prepare necessary public notices.

Tindle stated he received a phone call from Steve Plate regarding a change from a Level B road to a Level C road. Tindle stated he was not in favor of changing the class of the road and the other board members agreed. Tindle stated he may be in favor of vacating the

road. This would need to be discussed with the engineer.

Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush at 11:25 a.m. to adjourn.

Melissa Ellander,  
Poweshiek County Auditor  
Jeff Tindle, Chairman

**NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESPR019963 THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR POWESHIEK COUNTY**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY E SUMPTER, Deceased**

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Mary E Sumpter, Deceased, who died on or about February 26, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on the Last Will and Testament of Mary E Sumpter, deceased, bearing date of September 3, 2024, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Jacqueline M. Kleitsch and Rick W. Kriegel have been appointed Executors 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.

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 date of 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 March 17, 2025,

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# New publication describes proper use of esophageal feeder

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AMES — Using an esophageal feeder is an integral part of raising cattle, yet many producers are not completely comfortable using them.

A new publication from Iowa Beef Center, "Proper Use of an Esophageal Feeder," provides step-by-step instructions on properly preparing, inserting and removing the feeder tube.

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach beef specialist Denise Schwab said correctly feeding a calf that isn't getting adequate colostrum on its own can pay

big dividends in keeping more newborn calves in the herd.

“In addition to descriptive text, the publication has links to videos on using the esophageal feeder and cleaning milk feeders,” she said. “There’s also a simple drawing to show where the tube should go as you insert it into the calf.”

Schwab, who authored this resource, suggested reading through the steps before actually needing to insert a feeder. This can help the producer gain confidence in the procedure, which can lead to better results overall.

The one-page publication IBC 150 is available at no charge from the ISU Extension store.

The Iowa Beef Center at Iowa State University was established in 1996 with the goal of supporting the growth and vitality of the state’s beef cattle industry. It comprises faculty and staff from Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and College of Veterinary Medicine, and works to develop and deliver the latest research-based information regarding the beef cattle industry.