

# Fishing report: Some crappies moving to deeper water

**Iowa Department of Natural Resources**

**BIG HOLLOW LAKE**

Water temperatures is about 50 degrees as of April 10.

Black crappie, fair. Some crappies have moved out to a little deeper water; try along the inner edge of the flooded timber if they aren't there. Move down toward the dam and work the north sides flooded timber in shallower.

Channel catfish, fair. Catfish are getting plenty fat feeding on last fall's bluegill fingerlings. Work along the face of the dam off the ends of the jetties on the north side.

Largemouth bass, slow. Work the north side of the lake around the jetty and kayak launch area and down around the lower island on that side on a warm afternoon. Bass should come in to feed on the little bluegills.

**DISCOVERY PARK POND**

There are still trout to catch after being stocked recently. You need a valid fishing license and pay the trout fee to fish for or possess trout.

Rainbow trout, good. They are starting to wise up to anglers. A little more finesse is required. Use small bobbers, small minnows and red worms or small jigs.

**EMMA YOUNG POND**

There are still trout to catch after being stocked recently. You need a valid fishing license and pay the trout fee to fish for or possess trout.

Rainbow trout, good. Small jigs and bobber and live bait works best. The trout left in the pond are not easily fooled.

**LAKE BELVA DEER**

Water temperature is 48-50 degrees as of April 10.

Black crappie, slow. Work the edges of the trees out from the beach and down toward the dam. Drift live minnows. The weather conditions haven't been favorable for crappie to stay in shallower water.

Largemouth bass, slow. Bass are still holding out in deeper water. Not much action closer to shore. Anglers are catching a few suspended in the trees along the old creek channel.

**LAKE DARLING**

Water temperature is 50 degrees. The docks are in at the boat ramps.

Black crappie, fair. Hit-or-miss bite with current weather conditions. Look for them around the rock piles in four- to six-feet of water or around the rock piles by the dam.

Largemouth bass, slow. The colder weather hasn't improved the bite. Slowly work soft plastics along the deep water drop-offs. Try a soft plastic crawdad or salamander along the base of the riprap around the point.

**LAKE GEODE**

Water temperature is 50 degrees as of April 10.

Black crappie, fair. Anglers continue to catch crappies, although at a slower pace. Start looking for them around the ends of the tree falls and the fish habitat in

three- to four-feet of water then move out to tops of the habitat in eight- to 10-feet of water.

Channel catfish, slow. Try drift trolling a piece of cut bait along the face of the dam.

**LOST GROVE LAKE**

The wind and weather are keeping angler numbers down. Water temperature is between 48 and 49 degrees as of April 10.

Channel catfish, fair. Try cut bait below a bobber along the windward side of the shoreline, especially in areas where the waves are stirring up the bottom of the lake.

Largemouth bass, slow. Bass continue to hang around edge of the deeper water. Slow retrieves and finesse are the keys to catching them.

**VISTA PARK POND**

There are still trout to catch after being stocked recently. You need a valid fishing license and pay the trout fee to fish for or possess trout.

Rainbow trout, good. A lot of anglers have caught their limit of trout. Trout still in the pond are more cautious and timid; a little more finesse is need. Try live bait and small bobbers or small 1/64 ounce jigs that don't spook them.

For more information on the above lakes and rivers call the Lake Darling Fisheries Office at 319-694-2430.

**HAWTHORN LAKE**

Channel catfish, slow. Try shad guts or dead minnows on wind-blown shorelines.

Largemouth bass should start moving into shallow water as temperatures warm. Use plastics fished pretty slow.

**LAKE KEOMAH**

Lake Keomah is drained for a lake restoration project. Stay out of the lake bed.

**LAKE MIAMI**

Channel catfish, slow. Try dead minnows on wind-blown shorelines. Look for bass to start to move into shallow water along the rocks at the dam.

**LAKE SUGEMA**

Bluegill should start to move shallow as the water temperature increases. Use small jigs.

Channel catfish, slow. Try shad guts or dead chubs on wind-blown shorelines.

**OTTUMWA PARK POND SOUTH (TROUT POND)**

There are still trout to catch after being stocked recently. You need a valid fishing license and pay the trout fee to fish for or possess trout. Try in-line spinners, chunks of nightcrawlers or prepared trout baits.

**RATHBUN RESERVOIR**

The lake level as of April 10 was 903.93 msl; recreation pool was at 904 msl. Water temperatures were in the upper 40s.

Lake Rathbun has zebra mussels; properly drain, clean and dry equipment before transporting to another waterbody.

Water temperatures are still too cool for crappies to move shallow.

Channel catfish, slow. Use shad guts or dead chubs on wind-blown

shorelines.

Walleye broodstock collections have been completed for the season.

**RED HAW LAKE**

Bluegills should start to move shallow with warmer water temperatures.

Channel catfish, slow. Try dead minnows on the shorelines. Contact the Rathbun

Fish Hatchery at 641-647-2406 with questions about fishing in south central Iowa.

# CLASSIFIEDS

**LEGAL NOTICES**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET

Board of Supervisors of POWESHIEK COUNTY

Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

The Board of Supervisors of POWESHIEK COUNTY will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025

Meeting Date/Time: 4/28/2025 09:00 AM

Contact: Melissa Ellander

Phone: (641) 623-5723

Meeting Location: Boardroom - Courthouse - Montezuma

There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing. Budget amendments are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult <https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals>.

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	1	8,907,215	0	8,907,215
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3	122,500	0	122,500
Net Current Property Tax	4	8,784,715	0	8,784,715
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5	0	0	0
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6	0	0	0
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7	2,708,718	0	2,708,718
Intergovernmental	8	4,792,819	0	4,792,819
Licenses & Permits	9	21,900	0	21,900
Charges for Service	10	659,185	0	659,185
Use of Money & Property	11	1,209,915	0	1,209,915
Miscellaneous	12	187,885	0	187,885
Subtotal Revenue	13	18,365,137	0	18,365,137
Other Financing Sources:				
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14	0	0	0
Operating Transfers In	15	5,003,089	0	5,003,089
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Sales	16	0	0	0
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17	23,368,226	0	23,368,226
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES				
Operating:				
Public Safety and Legal Services	18	4,962,786	0	4,962,786
Physical Health and Social Services	19	579,091	4,500	583,591
Mental Health, ID & DD	20	0	0	0
County Environment & Education	21	863,380	0	863,380
Roads & Transportation	22	8,856,912	0	8,856,912
Government Services to Residents	23	886,816	0	886,816
Administration	24	2,038,033	0	2,038,033
Nonprogram Current	25	193,960	-50,000	143,960
Debt Service	26	1,260,748	0	1,260,748
Capital Projects	27	1,080,037	327,000	1,407,037
Subtotal Expenditures	28	20,721,763	281,500	21,003,263
Other Financing Uses:				
Operating Transfers Out	29	5,003,089	0	5,003,089
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	30	0	0	0
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	31	25,724,852	281,500	26,006,352
Excess of Revenues & Other Sources over (under) Expenditures & Other Uses	32	-2,356,626	-281,500	-2,638,126
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1, 2024	33	12,163,671	0	12,163,671
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budgeting)	34	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	35	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Restricted	36	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Committed	37	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Assigned	38	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Unassigned	39	9,807,045	-281,500	9,525,545
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30, 2025	40	9,807,045	-281,500	9,525,545

Explanation of Changes: Expend balance of radio communications project.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**April 10, 2025**  
The Poweshiek County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. Members present Jacki Bolen and Jeff Tindle.  
Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Tindle to approve agenda. 2 ayes. Motion carried.  
Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Tindle to approve April 7, 2025 board minutes. 2 ayes. Motion carried.  
Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Tindle to approve the following claims:  
Advanced Correctional Svc 3,858.29  
Airgas Usa LLC Svc Generator 5,235.63  
Alliant Energy/IPL Svc 1,429.93  
Alston & Bird Svc 200.00  
Altorfer Machinery Co Goods 8,390.48  
Amazon Capital Services Inc Goods 59.95  
American Legion Blakley Stevens Svc 423.00  
Amy Andrews Durbin Reimb Goods 55.97  
Amy Stevenson Mil 183.60  
Arnold Motor Supply Inc Goods 1,157.16  
AT&T Mobility Svc 742.94  
Audas Sanitation Svc 636.65  
Awards Unlimited Goods 24.00  
Bart Klaver Reimb Goods 282.86  
Blaine Shutts Reimb Goods 376.01  
Bowker Pinnacle Plbg & Mech Svc 5,236.15  
Brooklyn Hardware Goods 183.08  
Brooklyn Mun Utilities Svc 1,215.00  
Brooklyn Mut Tele Svc 264.03  
Business Card Svc 981.26  
Calhoun-Burns & Assoc Inc Svc 7,639.20  
Central Iowa Detention Ctr Svc 1,416.25  
Central Iowa Tech Svc 119.00  
Central Sall, LLC Goods 4,296.82  
Cintas Corporation Goods 116.52  
Collum Electric LLC Svc 1,515.77  
Connectwise LLC Svc 414.72  
Cost Advisory Services Inc. Svc 4,450.00  
Craig Kuntz Reimb Goods 12.06  
Critical Hire Svc 150.00  
Dan's Septic Service Svc 300.00  
Dawn R Disney-Bruggeman Contract 2,333.33  
Deep River City Of Svc 68.55  
Des Moines Stamp Mfg Co Goods 38.00  
Douds Stone LLC Goods 47,815.78  
Ecolab Svc 195.97  
Electrical Engineering & Equip Svc 429.63  
Fastenal Company Goods 2,085.52  
Forbes Office Equip Inc Goods 539.06  
Galls Inc Goods 1,444.88  
Gafr Truck Center Goods 798.20  
Grimes Asphalt & Paving Corp Goods 2,072.35  
Grinnell City Of Svc 251.23  
Grinnell Herald Register Svc 587.35  
Grinnell Regional Public Health Svc 798.46  
H & J Fertilizer Inc Goods 95.00  
Hartwick Ag, Inc. Svc 100.00  
Heartland Shredding Inc Svc 75.00  
Henderson Products Inc. Goods 768.82  
Hickenbottom Inc Goods 102.93  
HLW Engineering Group Svc 2,321.00  
Hometown Hardware Goods 338.04  
Infomax Svc 1,113.74  
Iowa County Attorneys Assn Svc 559.00  
Iowa Environmental Service Inc Svc 1,600.00  
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy Svc 150.00  
IP Pathways Svc 3,330.71  
Jacki Bolen Mil 223.20  
Jason Roudabush Mil 49.20  
Jerry Blankenship Svc 1,022.02  
John Deere Financial Goods 11,790.08  
Key Cooperative Goods 1,601.69  
Kraig Ford, Inc Goods 84.54  
Liebovich Steel & Aluminum Co. Goods 280.80  
Live Deep Publishing LLC Svc 869.34  
Loopy Equipment Inc Goods 99.00  
Mahaska Communication Group Svc 143.95  
Mail Services LLC Svc 6,391.35  
Martin Equipment Of Il, Inc. Goods 3,116.90  
Martin Marietta Materials Goods 378,914.50  
MCI Svc 33.79  
Megan Tindle Mil 110.40  
Microbac Laboratories Inc Svc 280.00  
Mid American Energy Svc 3,144.17  
Midwest Spray Team & Sales Goods 19,976.04  
Monte Car Wash Svc 80.00  
Montezuma Municipal Utilities Svc 4,432.69  
Montezuma State Bank Svc 25.00  
Montezuma Super Vn Goods 16.62  
Morrison Enterprises Inc Svc 104.00  
Mutual Wheel Co Goods 1,063.00  
Napa Auto Parts Goods 782.80  
Nathan Anderson Reimb Goods 24.32  
New Century F.S. Inc Svc 3,139.10  
Paglia's Pizza Svc 190.00  
Pauls Ace Hardware Inc Goods 50.74  
Pomps Tire Service Inc Goods 3,584.40  
Ponderosa Supply Ltd Goods 74.85  
Postmaster Svc 500.00  
Pow Co Emp Health Plan Tr Svc 11,148.54  
Pow I-80 Development Svc 30.00  
Poweshiek County EMA Approp 35,000.00  
Poweshiek Water Assn Svc 114.00  
Premier Office Equip Svc 80.37  
Quill Corporation Goods 300.06  
Robert Wilhelm Mil Reimb Goods 198.08  
Rohrer Brothers Inc Svc 82.47  
Roudabush Electronic Svc 1,200.00  
Ryan Miller Reimb Goods 12.31  
SCI Communications Inc Goods 46.29  
SCISWA Svc 10.00  
Searsboro Telephone Co Svc 200.00  
Sheryl Currier Svc 32.00  
Shive-Hattery Svc 9,199.20  
Sinclair Napa Goods 1,817.78  
Sioux City Truck Sales, Inc. Goods 653.30  
Smith Funeral Home Svc 1,500.00  
Snap On Tools Goods 123.75  
Stellar Services LLC Svc 646.29  
Taylor Auto Body, Inc Svc 20.00  
Taylor's Snow Removal Svc 1,015.00  
The CTK Group Svc 500.00  
The Depot Express Goods 2,605.43  
The Record Svc 24.61  
Tifco Industries, Inc. Goods 835.66  
Total Choice Shipping Goods 39.95  
Tritech Forensics Goods 259.61  
United States Cellular Svc 364.73  
Valsoft Corporation Inc Svc 175.00  
Verizon Svc 40.03  
Vestis Svc 477.66  
Victor Oil, Inc. Goods 21,010.89  
Visa Svc 18.70  
West Payment Center Svc 464.25  
Westwood Pharmacy Goods 870.01  
Wex Bank Svc 2,680.17  
Windstream Svc 3,185.74  
WMFP Group LLC Svc 781.66  
Xerox Financial Services Svc 618.60  
Zero9 Holsters Goods 554.35  
2 ayes. Motion carried.  
Taylor Nelson, Conservation Director, met with the board for a monthly meeting.  
Galyn Nook, IT Director, met with the board for an information technology update for the county.  
Sandy Ross, Treasurer, met with the board, along with Charles McVay, to discuss the county-held certificate for property in Searsboro. Charles McVay is interested in purchasing the county-held certificate for taxes due on the property. McVay is working with his attorney to begin the process.  
Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Tindle to approve April 11, 2025, Poweshiek County payroll for \$311,534.81. 2 ayes. Motion carried.  
Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Tindle, to table the review and approval of cost allocation plan until next board meeting. 2 ayes. Motion carried.  
Lyle Brehm, Engineer, was unable to attend the meeting today, so will move approval of the DOT budget to the next board meeting.  
The board reviewed the liquor license applications. Bolen stated she is okay with approving the license at premises address 268 Center Point Dr, Montezuma, but would like it known that if there continues to be complaint calls documented at this address, she would not be in favor of approving future liquor licenses at this premises.  
Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Tindle, to approve the following liquor licenses:  
• 5-day liquor license for Lucky Wife Wine Slushies; premises address 1786 328th Ave, Brooklyn for event May 24, 2025.  
• 5-day liquor license for Lucky Wife Wine Slushies; premises 268 Center Point Dr, Montezuma for event May 25, 2025.

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2 ayes. Motion carried.  
Amy Stevenson, Assessor, joined the meeting to provide the board with information on property tax exemptions. Tindle & Bolen stated they will be attending the CISS empowerment meeting on Friday at 5:00 p.m.  
Bolen stated she is attending the Extension Office open house Friday, which is scheduled from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The Extension Office will be utilizing a portion of 3rd Street and the courthouse lawn for activities.  
Bolen stated she plans to attend the legislative coffee with Senator Annette Sweeney on Saturday at Drake Library in Grinnell.  
Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Tindle to adjourn at 10:49 a.m.  
Melissa Ellander, Poweshiek County Auditor

Jeff Tindle, Chairman  
**April 7, 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.  
Moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen to approve agenda. 3 ayes. Motion carried.  
Moved by Bolen, 2nd by Roudabush to approve April 3, 2025 board minutes. 3 ayes. Motion carried.  
Kristin Fantazia, General Assistance Director, met with the board for a weekly meeting.  
Sandy Ross, Treasurer, met to discuss a county-held certificate on property in Searsboro. Ross will need to reschedule to the next board meeting because a representative from Searsboro City Council could not attend the meeting today.  
Lora Wyckoff, Recorder, met with the board for a quarterly meeting. The board received the Recorder's report of fees collected for the month ending March 2025.  
Brenda Dailley & Betsy Sturmsa, CICS, met with the board to provide an update on the mental health region. Sturmsa stated the CICS region currently handles both behavioral health and aging & disability services. The reorganization will establish a behavioral health services system to provide mental health, substance abuse & other addiction recovery services. The current 11 regions will move into 7 districts. The Behavioral Health - Administrative Service Organization (ASO) contract for all 7 districts was awarded to Iowa Primary Care Association. Currently, the mental health services funding has been through the CICS and the other regions, and with this change, the funding will all be handled by the ASO. The disability services currently provided by CICS and other regions would move to Iowa HHS' division of disability and aging services. Individuals previously serviced by the regions will transition to an awarded Disability Access Point (DAP), who will assume responsibility for service coordination & payment for authorized services to individuals with individualized care plans & authorized services to ensure service continuity. CICS was awarded the DAP for districts 2, 3, & 6, which does include Poweshiek County. Due to this reorganization, CICS will need to reduce administrative costs due to a much lower budget. Currently, the CICS region has an office in all 15 counties they service. Going forward, CICS will reduce that office space to 12 locations with districts 2, 3, & 6, which includes 44 counties. Sturmsa recommends looking at the Iowa Health & Human Services website's frequently asked questions section to keep up to date on this matter as things are updated daily.  
Board reviewed the submitted request for payment of emergency communication bonds, including pre-project work laptops for deputy vehicles and additional radio & equipment for two additional deputies. Board felt all fell under the guidelines of the emergency community bonds, and it was moved by Roudabush, 2nd by Bolen, to approve the expenses. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

**NOTICE In the Matter of the Judicial Magistrate Appointing Commission For POWESHIEK County**

The POWESHIEK County Magistrate Appointing Commission will meet on Monday, May 19, 2025, at 2:30 p.m. at the POWESHIEK County Courthouse, for the purpose of appointing one magistrate for POWESHIEK County for the term beginning August 1, 2025, and ending July 31, 2029. All Applicants must be personally present for interviews on that date.

- The magistrate must be a resident of POWESHIEK County or a resident of a county contiguous to this county during the term of office and does not qualify for appointment if at the time of appointment, the applicant will have reached age seventy-two (72).
- A magistrate shall be an attorney licensed to practice law in Iowa, except for magistrates who have held office since April 1, 2009.
- To qualify for appointment, one must file a certified application on the forms approved by the Iowa Supreme Court. The application forms may be obtained from the office of the District Court Administrator between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The completed application forms (with letters of interest and resume of qualifications attached) must be returned by email to: Cathy Reck at cathy.reck@iowacourts.gov. The deadline for applications is Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.
- A present salary for a Judicial Magistrate is \$45,484.00 per year.
- The magistrate shall work in other counties of the district, when necessary, as assigned by the Chief Judge. The magistrate may be required to handle mental commitment hearings.
- The person appointed shall attend the annual school of instruction for magistrates.
- For information on judicial magistrate appointments, jurisdiction and procedures, see Iowa Code sections 602.6403 through 602.6405. By order of the Judicial Appointing Commission The Honorable Judge Dustin Hite, Chairperson Dated this 7th day of April, 2025

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