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Cedar county payroll

VENDOR	VENDOR TOTAL
Benefits Inc.	960.82
Washington National Ins Co.	167.26
Fidelity Investments	1,200.00
Phelps the Uniform Specialists	34.10
Cincinnati Life Insurance Co	417.98
IPERS	120,614.32
Cedar County Health Fund	166,741.44
Cedar County Treasurer	421.00
Nationwide Retirement Solution	140.00
Cedar County Treasurer	77,346.79
Cedar County Treasurer	10,203.99
Cedar County Treasurer	9,079.86
Cedar County Treasurer	361.82
Cedar County Treasurer	1,016.42
COUNTY TOTAL	388,705.80

Alliant Energy for Rochester Bridge project and waive \$100 fee.

Moved by Barnhart seconded by Kaufmann to approve utility permit for Alliant Energy for Quincy Ave, Red Star Rd, 230th St and 240th St. project and \$100 fee applies.

Ayes: All
Finance Director Dauber provided handouts to board members with updated numbers from last week's discussion. Public Health Director Wagaman informed Board Public Health would assume Environmental roles with a part-time position and contract out zoning. Dauber informed Board that updated numbers reflect eliminating a Correctional Officer, part-time Community Service Clerk and part-time Custodial staff. Sheriff Wethington stated that if taxpayers want lower taxes giving money to entities is not mandatory and if Board doesn't have money, you don't give them any. Discussion held.

Moved by Barnhart seconded by Gaul to reduce Senior Center, Domestic Violence and Volunteer Services by 10% funding Senior Center \$19,800, Domestic Violence \$9,675 and Volunteer Services \$24,300.

Ayes: All
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Barnhart to reduce River Bend Transit by 25% funding them \$12,723.75. This decision due to Scott County not providing any funds for a service they utilize.

Ayes: All
Moved by Gaul seconded by Bixler to reduce Cedar County Libraries by \$25,000. Discussion held and decided this wasn't enough.

Nays: All
Moved by Bixler seconded by Kaufmann to reduce Cedar County Libraries by 25% funding them with \$109,125.

Ayes: All
Moved by Gaul to reduce Cedar County Fair by \$5,000.
Died due to lack of a seconded.

Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to reduce Cedar County Fair by \$7,500 funding them with \$35,500.

Ayes: All
Moved by Barnhart seconded by Kaufmann to reduce Cedar Jones Early Childhood by 20% funding them with \$800. It also mentioned that Cedar County is fiscal agent for this entity at no cost.

Ayes: All
Moved by Barnhart seconded by Kaufmann to reduce Limestone Bluffs R.C.D by 25% funding them with \$6,000.

Ayes: All
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Gaul to reduce Workplace Learning by \$370 funding them with \$1,480.50.

Ayes: All
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Bixler to reduce Historical Society funding to \$0.

Ayes: All
Moved by Barnhart seconded by Kaufmann to reduce Lower Cedar Watershed by 25% funding them with \$1,500.

Ayes: All
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Bell to reduce Community Foundation funding to \$0 as this money can be recovered by grants provided.

Ayes: All
CCEDCO discussed and is funded at \$61,067 which is a reduction of \$14,567. Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Gaul to approve up to \$4,600 to provide flag holders and flags to Veterans.

Ayes: All
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Bixler to reduce mileage for Board of Supervisors to \$0, a \$5,000 reduction.

Ayes: All
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Bell to reduce salary for Board of Supervisors to \$28,717.14, a \$1,000/per board member reduction.

Ayes: All
Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to approve Public Health to assume Environmental role due to upcoming retirement of Director LaRue with a cost savings of around \$91,000.

Ayes: All
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Bixler to approve reduction of a part-time Community Service Clerk position with cost savings of around \$25,000.

Ayes: All

Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to approve reduction of a part-time Courthouse Custodian with cost savings of around \$22,435. This is being done with Department Heads understanding and agreeing to assist with duties when needed.

Ayes: All
Three stipends were discussed. \$10,000 Finance stipend is not a part of Auditor's Code. Consensus of Board to leave it. two \$5,000 stipends for HIPAA were discussed. Community Services Director Tischuk said they eliminated part time clerk to keep HIPAA. A full-time employee would cost more than a stipend. Tischuk will check with CAROSH to see if we can reduce level.

Budget discussion continued with General Basic. Consensus of Board that budget meetings need to happen earlier, and Department Heads need to be very transparent to all employees of what's coming. Board also would like to have all Department Heads make a 4% reduction in budget offset by reductions already made. Board understands some Department Heads can't cut but will address that in next meeting.

Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Barnhart to have an additional budget meeting Friday, Feb. 27, 2026 at 8:30 in Boardroom.

Ayes: All
Nay: Bixler
Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bell to have all Department Heads make a 4% reduction in budget offset by reductions already made. Board understands

some Department Heads can't cut but will address that in next meeting.

Ayes: All
Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to reduce both legal and minutes line items in Board's budget by \$500 each.

Ayes: All
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Barnhart to adjourn at 12:19 p.m., to Feb. 27, 2026.

Ayes: All
Jon Bell, Chairperson
Nicki Welch, Auditor
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OR ON OUR WEBSITE—WWW.CEDARCOUNTY.IOWA.GOV/ TIPTON, IOWA February 27, 2026 Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. February 27, 2026 with following members present: Barnhart, Gaul, and Pro-Tem Kaufmann. Bell and Bixler were absent. Minutes reported by Deputy Auditor Hamdorf. Members of public were also present. Moved by Barnhart seconded by Gaul to approve agenda.

Ayes: All
Absent: Bixler, Bell
Pro-Tem Kaufmann addressed public for comments. Becky Knoche of Tipton

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Cedar county board
(FOLLOWING IS A SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES.FULL TEXT OF DAY'S MINUTES ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT AUDITOR'S OFFICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING -PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY Proposed WEST BRANCH Property Tax Levy Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027		
Location of Public Hearing: Hoover Elementary Library 148 N. Oliphant St. West Branch, IA 52358	Date of Public Hearing: 3/25/2026	Time of Public Hearing: 05:30 PM
Location of Notice on School Website: https://www.west-branch.k12.ia.us/proposed-tax-notice/		

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present oral or written objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the Board will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed budget.

	Current Year Final Property Tax Dollar Levy FY 2026	Budget Year Effective Property Tax Dollar Levy (No change in Property Tax Dollars Levied) FY 2027	Budget Year Proposed Property Tax Dollar Levy FY 2027
General Fund Levy	1	4,274,372	4,679,575
Instructional Support Levy	2	451,560	463,117
Management	3	559,791	582,006
Amana Library	4	0	0
Voted Physical Plant and Equipment	5	541,388	547,852
Regular Physical Plant and Equipment	6	164,785	167,792
Reorganization Equalization	7	0	0
Public Education/Recreation (Playground)	8	0	0
Debt Service	9	1,271,604	1,274,600
Grand Total	10	7,263,500	7,714,942

	Current Year Final Property Tax Rate FY 2026	Budget Year Effective Property Tax Rate (No change in Property Tax Dollars Levied) FY 2027	Budget Year Proposed Property Tax Rate FY 2027
Grand Total Levy Rate	15.00000	14.58560	15.50000

Property Tax Comparison	Current Year Property Taxes	Proposed Property Taxes	Percent Change
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Value of \$100,000/\$110,000	711	759	6.75
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Value of \$300,000/\$330,000	3,092	3,546	14.68

Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get to the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and Commercial properties have the same Rollback Percentage at \$150,000 Actual/Assessed Valuation. The Proposed Property taxes assume a 10% increase in property values for the year as a comparison to the current year.

Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:
The District is raising the tax rate to \$15.50 due to significant increases in special education and property and casualty insurance costs.

COUNTY NAME: CEDAR COUNTY	NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING -PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027	COUNTY NUMBER: 16
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The County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year County tax asking as follows:
Meeting Date: 3/24/2026 Meeting Time: 08:15 AM Meeting Location: Board of Supervisors meeting room

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the Board will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed county budget.

County Website (if available)
WWW.CEDARCOUNTY.IOWA.GOV

County Telephone Number
(563) 886-6413

Iowa Department of Management	Current Year Certified Property Tax FY 2025/2026	Budget Year Effective Tax FY 2026/2027	Budget Year Proposed Tax FY 2026/2027
Taxable Valuations-General Services	1,578,087,913	1,595,382,574	1,595,382,574
Requested Tax Dollars-Countywide Rates Except Debt Service	8,733,186	8,733,186	8,954,244
Taxable Valuations-Rural Service	1,610,738,625	1,621,708,946	1,621,708,946
Requested Tax Dollars-Debt Service	811,426	811,426	816,952
Requested Tax Dollars-Countywide Rates	9,544,612	9,544,612	9,771,196
Tax Rate-Countywide	6.03779	5.97439	6.11636
Taxable Valuations-Rural Services	1,011,040,986	1,020,854,312	1,020,854,312
Requested Tax Dollars-Additional Rural Levies	2,775,409	2,775,409	2,802,347
Tax Rate-Rural Additional	2.74510	2.71871	2.74510
Rural Total	8.78289	8.69310	8.86146

Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$100,000/\$110,000	Current Year Certified Property Tax FY 2025/2026	Budget Year Proposed Tax FY 2026/2027	Percent Change
Urban Taxpayer	286	300	4.90
Rural Taxpayer	417	434	4.08

Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$300,000/\$330,000	Current Year Certified Property Tax FY 2025/2026	Budget Year Proposed Tax FY 2026/2027	Percent Change
Urban Taxpayer	1,245	1,400	12.45
Rural Taxpayer	1,811	2,028	11.98

Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get to the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and Commercial properties have the same Rollback Percentage at \$150,000 Actual/Assessed Valuation. The Proposed Property taxes assume a 10% increase in property values for the year as a comparison to the current year.

Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:
Due to limitations of generating revenue and the increase in expenditures.

FARMLAND FOR SALE

CEDAR CO. - NEW LISTING! 73.22 Acres located 5 miles SE of Clarence. 72.30 Crop Acres with an 87.56 CSR2. **\$15,850/acre.**

CEDAR CO. - NEW LISTING! 40.00 Acres located 4 1/2 miles NW of Tipton. 32.20 Crop Acres with a 90.22 CSR2 plus 5.30 CRP Acres. **\$13,950/acre.**

CLINTON CO. - 229.60 Acres located in Lost Nation. 228.31 crop acres with a 60.90 CSR2. A great and productive farm! **\$11,500/acre.**

JOHNSON CO. - 39.50 Acres, just N of Iowa City, along Hwy 1. Includes a house, outbuildings, and historic barn. 21.41 crop acres w/66.80 CSR2. **\$29,500/acre.**

LINN CO. - NEW LISTING! 158.11 Acres located 2 miles north of Central City. 138.03 Crop Acres with a 60.60 CSR2. Well-tiled farm on a hard-surfaced road! **\$12,975/acre.**

MUSCATINE CO. - 80.15 Acres located 6 miles NE of Muscatine, off US-61. Well-maintained pasture ideal for cow/calf or cattle operation. **\$7,200/acre.**

SCOTT CO. - 55.18 Acres in Davenport along I-280. 45.09 crop acres with an 80.20 CSR2. **\$19,500/acre.**

DEVELOPMENT LAND

CEDAR CO. - 5.44 Acres in city limits on hard-surfaced roads, SE side of Lowden. A timbered lot near access to utilities with existing garage. **\$239,000.00**

JOHNSON CO. - 115.21 Acres, just north of Iowa City on Hwy 1. 86.80 Crop acres with 59.10 CSR2. Zoned for residential development. **\$29,500/acre.**

RESIDENTIAL LOT FOR SALE

CEDAR CO. - A 1.49-acre lot located 3 miles south of West Branch, close to the Village of Downey.
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