



Photo courtesy of Butler County REC
 Directors elected to serve on the Butler County REC board for three-year terms are (from left) Tim Schrage, Grant Greenzweig, and Mark Chambers

Butler County REC holds annual meeting

Members of Butler County Rural Electric Cooperative re-elected two incumbent directors and elected one new director at their annual meeting on Wednesday, March 25. Re-elected were Tim Schrage, Allison, and Grant Greenzweig, Charles City. Newly elected was Mark Chambers, Marble Rock. Over 400 votes were cast through mail-in ballots. Following the annual meeting, the board of directors held an organizational meeting and elected the following officers:

Gary Poppe, Nashua, president; Share Brandt, Allison, vice president; Troy Feldman, Greene, treasurer; Tim Schrage, Allison, secretary; and Allyn Harms, Clarksville, assistant secretary-treasurer. Butler County REC is a member-owned electric distribution cooperative that provides power to more than 6,600 meters to homes, farms and businesses in Bremer, Butler, Chickasaw and Floyd Counties. The co-op is headquartered in Allison.

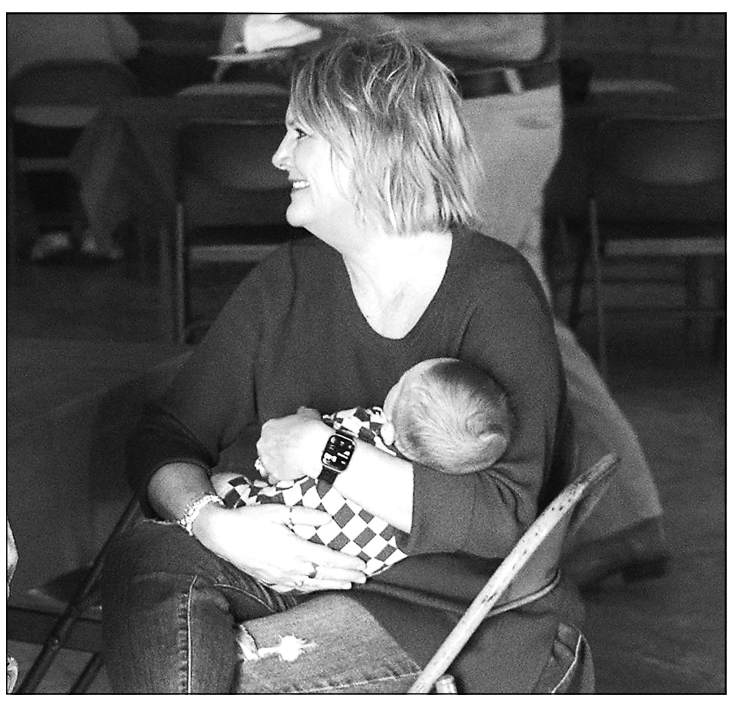


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A heck of a St. Pat's party put on by Park Board!

Nashua Park Board member Nate Sinnwell (above) serves up the meal during the board's St. Patrick's Day celebration that was held this past Saturday at the Nashua Town and Country Club, where the team of DKS (Don't Know Squat), were the trivia contest winners and included Bill Schmidt, Becky Schmidt, Peggy Hall and Galen Hall (right).
 Meanwhile, Angie Baldwin (below left) holds little Liam Masters, who was quietly taking his first St. Patrick's Day celebration and with the weather dang near perfect, Devon Blanchard and Tyler Zimmer (below right) track Blanchard's shot to the green.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Chickasaw County Engineer's Office is accepting Bidding Proposals for the supply/delivery of structural steel and Bidding Proposal for the supply/delivery of steel sheet piling for Bridge Replacement Projects L-FY27(01)--73-19 and L-FY27(02)--73-19.

Bidding proposals are available in the Engineer's Office (8 E Prospect, New Hampton, IA 50659).
 Proposals are due in the Engineer's Office by Tuesday, April 14th, 2026 at 10:00 AM.

BURNING IN DITCHES - NOTICE

This notice is to remind residents that a Permit to Work in Right of Way is required when burning vegetation in roadside ditches.

Permits are available in the Chickasaw County Engineer's Office or online at chickasawcounty.iowa.gov.

Residents are required to take measures to prevent damage to signs, utility installations, tile, culverts, bridges and any other fixture within the Right of Way. Any damage caused will be repaired at the expense of those responsible for the burning of vegetation. Residents are also reminded that burning of garbage and/or piles of debris in the Right of Way is prohibited per Iowa Code Section 318.

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City of Nashua
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
City Council Chambers, City Hall
 The Nashua City Council met in special session March 24, 2026 in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM with Mayor Shelly Weiss presiding. Council members present were Peggy Hall, Jake Johnson, Samantha Johnson, Teresa Tobin, and Dan Zwanziger. City Clerk John Ott was also present. There were no guests in attendance.

Mayor Weiss called for a motion to approve the agenda. S. Johnson/M. J. Johnson/S. /M/C. RC: all ayes

Public Hearings
 Mayor Weiss called for a motion to open the public hearing for the FY'26/27 Proposed Property Tax Levy. S. Johnson/M. J. Johnson/S. /M/C. RC: all ayes. The public hearing was opened at 6:01PM.

Mayor Weiss asked if there were any comments from the public, but there were no comments. City Clerk Ott reviewed the Proposed Property Tax Levy and the effects of property taxes using different levy amounts. No final decisions were made. The council will discuss the proposed property tax levy and the FY'26/27 budget at the next regular council meeting which will be held April 6, 2026 at 7:00PM. After discussion, J. Johnson/M. Hall/S. /M/C to close the public hearing. RC: all ayes. The public hearing was closed at 6:03PM.

There was no other business. J. Johnson motioned to adjourn. S. Johnson seconded. M/C: the meeting was adjourned at 6:03PM. Roll Call: all ayes.

pending approval by council
 John Ott, City Clerk

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
March 16, 2026

The Board convened on Monday, March 16, 2026, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Carter, Suckow, Cerwinske and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Hackman called the meeting to order. Also present were Board Secretary Sheila Shekleton, County Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske, member of media, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, EMS Director Joel Knutson, Engineer Roman Lensing, Assessor Raymond Armel, Recorder Shirley Troyna, Terry Johnson, Treasurer Matt Ysbrand.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to approve the agenda for March 16, 2026. Roll call. Ayes: Cerwinske, Carter, Breitbach, Suckow. Abstained: Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to approve the minutes for March 9, 2026. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Carter to approve the minutes for March 10, 2026. Roll call. Ayes: Cerwinske, Carter, Breitbach, Suckow. Abstained: Hackman. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Discussed ISAC Conference with County Officials.

Opened RFPs for new ambulance: North Central Emergency Vehicles: \$329,765.00 less trade in \$33,000.00 equals \$296,765.00. Legacy Emergency Vehicles: \$270,814.00 less trade in (\$3,500.00) equals \$267,314.00. Feld Fire, \$259,227.00, this price includes a trade in.

EMS Director Joel Knutson will review and recommend which quote to go with at a future meeting.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to adopt Resolution 03-16-26-16 ESTABLISHMENT OF 90 DAY BLANKET EMBARGO

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Sections 321.236(8), 321.255 and Chapter 321.471 to 321.473 of the Code of Iowa, the Board of Supervisors may establish a road embargo on the Secondary Road System, and WHEREAS, inclement weather is producing a condition where heavy loading is extremely detrimental to the Secondary Road System. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that the County Engineer be authorized to order any of the Secondary Roads closed to vehicles in excess of five (5) tons axle weight, wherever he deems it necessary and for the period of time deemed expedient (not to exceed 90 days), by erecting signs in accordance with Section 321.472. Implements of husbandry are exempt from this resolution per Section 321.1 of the Code of Iowa.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Engineer may grant permits of exemption upon a showing that there is a need to move to market farm produce of a type subject to rapid spoilage, or loss of value or to move any farm feeds or fuel for home heating purposes.

Adopted this 16th day of March, 2026. /ss/ Jacob Hackman, Chairman. Ayes: Breitbach, Suckow, Carter, Cerwinske, Hackman. /ss/Attest: Sheila Shekleton, Auditor. Detailed document on file at Auditor's office and on county's website <https://www.chickasaw-county.iowa.gov>

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinske to add additional staff to Secondary Roads during the summer. Must be eighteen and have valid driver license. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Department updates provide by Engineer Roman Lensing.

Discussed and conducted annual employment performance evaluation and consensus of the Board of Supervisors to give a four percent raise to the Engineer Roman Lensing.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Carter to approve the new language in the County Confidentiality Statement, direct the auditor to email them to the department heads and have them back by March 30, 2026. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Breitbach to approve and authorize chair's signature for Drive Thru Services in the amount of \$17.30 times per capita of 227 for Alta Vista for FY26-27. Roll call. Ayes: Cerwinske, Breitbach, Carter, Suckow, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Carter to approve Class C Retail Alcohol License Application for Plum Creek Golf Course Association for an eight-month period effective date April 1, 2026. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to approve the 4% Alternate Health Care Plan for FY26-27 and leave the budgeted 6% on the FY26-27 budgets. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Carter to direct the County Attorney to draft a resolution to have only one deputy in an elected official's office. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Consensus of the Board of Supervisors to budget for 4% wage increase for the Veteran's Service Administrator's wage.

No committee assignments.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to adjourn at 11:43 AM. Roll call. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Jacob Hackman, Chairperson
 Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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