

## JASPER COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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### Minutes of February 26, 2026, Commission Meeting

The Jasper County Emergency Management Commission met on February 26, 2026, via ZOOM and at the Armory Annex in the EOC. Those present were Dan Kunkel (Baxter) and Gerald Malone (Monroe). Those present via ZOOM were Brandon Talsma (Board of Supervisors), David Mast (Colfax), Virgil Chance (Kellogg), Tony Jensen (Mitchellville), Randy Ervin (Newton), Phil Holland (Prairie City), Tami Weishaar (Reasnor), Brad Shutts (Jasper County Sheriff), and Brent Vander Molen (Sully).

#### Staff Present:

Jamey Robinson (EMA Director), Steve Ashing (EMA Deputy Director) via ZOOM, and Kathy Ellis (EMA Program Manager).

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by the Sheriff, Brad Shutts.

Roll call was taken. Those representatives listed above were present in-person or via ZOOM and accounted for.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Brandon Talsma and was seconded by David Mast. 10-0 Motion carried.

A motion to approve the February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026, meeting minutes was made by Tami Weishaar and was seconded by Randy Ervin. 10-0 Motion carried.

#### **Agenda Items**

##### **1. Essential Service-Board of Supervisors Letter Discussion/Action**

Jamey Robinson stated the letter was shared at the last meeting and open it up for discussion.

A motion was made by Ervin and seconded by Phil Holland to send the letter to request the Board of Supervisors take the necessary steps to initiate the process of declaring Emergency Medical Services (EMS) an essential service pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 422D. 10-0 Motion carried.

Robinson will present the letter to the Board of Supervisors. Depending on their decision, he will send regular progress updates to the Commission and the next steps to be taken.

**Next Meeting** – To be determine

**Adjournment**

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Motion to adjourn was made at 6:06 PM by Gerald Malone and seconded by Weishaar.  
Mayor Tony Jensen had joined later in the meeting 11-0 Motion carried.