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January 29, 2026

Auditor of State Rob Sand today released an audit report on Jasper County, Iowa.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

The County's revenues totaled \$41,109,115 for the year ended June 30, 2025, an 8.7% decrease. Expenses for County operations for the year ended June 30, 2025 totaled \$36,743,078, a decrease of 3.6%. The decrease in revenues is due primarily to a decrease in American Rescue Plan revenues and a decrease in insurance proceeds. The decrease in expenses is primarily due to all payments to the developer for the reinvestment district being made in the prior year, as well as increased local project expenditures for gravel roads.

AUDIT FINDINGS:

Sand reported five findings related to the receipt and expenditure of taxpayer funds. They are found on pages 90 through 96 of this report. The findings address issues such as lack of segregation of duties, material amounts of receivables, capital assets and payables not properly recorded in the County's financial statements and the Annual Urban Renewal Report Levy Authority Summary beginning balances did not agree with County records. Sand provided the County with recommendations to address each of these findings.

Three of the findings discussed above are repeated from the prior year. The County Board of Supervisors and other County officials have a fiduciary responsibility to provide oversight of the County's operations and financial transactions. Oversight is typically defined as the "watchful and responsible care" a governing body exercises in its fiduciary capacity.

A copy of the audit report is available for review on the Auditor of State's website at [Audit Reports – Auditor of State](#).

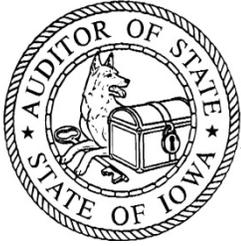
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JASPER COUNTY

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS**

JUNE 30, 2025

Jasper County



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January 13, 2026

Officials of Jasper County
Newton, Iowa

Dear Board Members:

I am pleased to submit to you the financial and compliance audit report for Jasper County for the year ended June 30, 2025. The audit was performed pursuant to Chapter 11.6 of the Code of Iowa, and in accordance with U.S. auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards.

I appreciate the cooperation and courtesy extended by the officials and employees of Jasper County throughout the audit. If I or this office can be of any further assistance, please contact me or my staff at 515-281-5834.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Sand".

Rob Sand
Auditor of State

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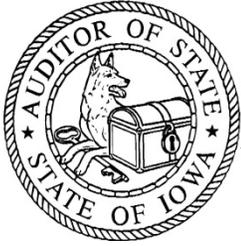
Officials

(Before January 2025)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Dennis Stevenson (Appointed Dec 2022)	Board of Supervisors	Nov 2024
Doug Cupples	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2025
Brandon Talsma	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2027
Jenna Jennings (Appointed Jan 2023)	County Auditor	Nov 2024
Doug Bishop	County Treasurer	Jan 2027
Denise Allan	County Recorder	Jan 2027
John Halferty	County Sheriff	Jan 2025
Scott Nicholson	County Attorney	Jan 2027
Stacey Von Dielingen	County Assessor	Jan 2028

(After January 2025)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Brandon Talsma	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2027
Doug Cupples	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2029
Thad Nearmyer	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2029
Jenna Jennings	County Auditor	Jan 2029
Doug Bishop	County Treasurer	Jan 2027
Denise Allan	County Recorder	Jan 2027
Brad Shutts	County Sheriff	Jan 2029
Scott Nicholson	County Attorney	Jan 2027
Stacey Von Dielingen	County Assessor	Jan 2028



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Officials of Jasper County:

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Jasper County, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Jasper County as of June 30, 2025 and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Jasper County, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Jasper County's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Jasper County's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Jasper County's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Budgetary Comparison Information, the Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset), the Schedule of County Contributions and the Schedule of Changes in the County's Total OPEB Liability, Related Ratios and Notes on pages 8 through 15 and 64 through 76 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with GAAS, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Jasper County's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the third paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the nine years ended June 30, 2024 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unmodified opinions on those financial statements. The supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 5, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. In our opinion, the supplementary information in Schedules 1 through 5 is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated January 13, 2026 on our consideration of Jasper County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering Jasper County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Brian R. Brustkern, CPA
Deputy Auditor of State

January 13, 2026

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Jasper County provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the County's financial statements, which follow.

2025 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Revenues of the County's governmental activities decreased 8.7%, or approximately \$3,914,000 from fiscal year 2024 to fiscal year 2025. American Rescue Plan Act revenues decreased approximately \$3,012,000, and capital grants, contributions and restricted interest decreased approximately \$252,000. Other general revenues decreased approximately \$1,064,000.
- Program expenses of the County's governmental activities decreased 3.6%, or approximately \$1,379,000, from fiscal year 2024 to fiscal year 2025. Expenses decreased approximately \$8,111,000 in the county environment and education function, and expenses increased approximately \$5,113,000 in the roads and transportation function. Expenses increased approximately \$1,118,000 in the public safety and legal services function.
- The County's net position increased 4.6%, or approximately \$4,366,000 over June 30, 2024.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the County's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statements consist of a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities. These provide information about the activities of Jasper County as a whole and present an overall view of the County's finances.

The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report Jasper County's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements by providing information about the most significant funds. The remaining financial statements provide information about activities for which Jasper County acts solely as an agent or custodian for the benefit of those outside of County government (Custodial Funds).

Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the County's budget for the year, the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) and related contributions, as well as presenting the Schedule of Changes in the County's Total OPEB Liability, Related Ratios and Notes.

Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the nonmajor governmental and the individual Custodial Funds.

REPORTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statements

One of the most important questions asked about the County's finances is, "Is the County as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information which helps answer this question. These statements include all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources using the accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The Statement of Net Position presents financial information on all of the County's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in the County's net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the County is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the County's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will not result in cash flows until future fiscal years.

The County's governmental activities are presented in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. Governmental activities include public safety and legal services, physical health and social services, county environment and education, roads and transportation, governmental services to residents, administration, interest on long-term debt and non-program activities. Property tax and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.

Fund Financial Statements

The County has three kinds of funds:

- 1) Governmental funds account for most of the County's basic services. These focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end which are available for spending. The governmental funds include: 1) the General Fund, 2) the Special Revenue Funds, such as Rural Services and Secondary Roads, 3) the Debt Service Fund, 4) the Capital Projects Fund and 5) the Permanent Fund. These funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed, short-term view of the County's general governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources which can be spent in the near future to finance the County's programs.

The required financial statements for governmental funds include a Balance Sheet and a Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances.

- 2) A proprietary fund accounts for the County's Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund. Internal Service Funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the County's various functions.

The required financial statements for proprietary fund include a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position and a Statement of Cash Flows.

3) Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trust or custodial capacity for others which cannot be used to support the County’s own programs. These fiduciary funds include Custodial Funds that account for auto license and use tax, emergency management services and the County Assessor, to name a few.

The required financial statements for fiduciary funds include a Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and a Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position.

Reconciliations between the government-wide financial statements and the governmental fund financial statements follow the governmental fund financial statements.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The analysis which follows focuses on the changes in the net position of governmental activities.

Net Position of Governmental Activities (Expressed in Thousands)		
	June 30,	
	2025	2024
Current and other assets	\$ 52,373	51,565
Capital assets	90,561	82,917
Total assets	142,934	134,482
Deferred outflows of resources	2,067	2,608
Long-term liabilities	23,354	19,788
Other liabilities	3,641	3,429
Total liabilities	26,995	23,217
Deferred inflows of resources	18,198	18,431
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	87,767	79,590
Restricted	21,837	21,656
Unrestricted	(9,796)	(5,804)
Total net position	\$ 99,808	95,442

Net position of Jasper County’s governmental activities increased 4.6% (approximately \$99.8 million compared to approximately \$95.4 million). The largest portion of the County’s net position is invested in capital assets (e.g., land, infrastructure, buildings and equipment), less the related debt. The debt related to the investment in capital assets is liquidated with resources other than capital assets. This net position category increased approximately \$8,177,000, or 10.3%, over the prior year.

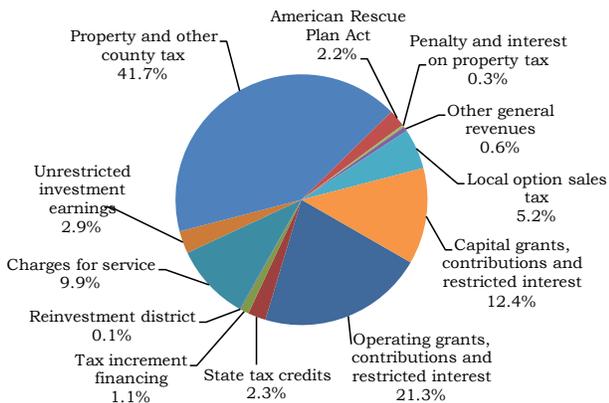
Restricted net position represents resources subject to external restrictions, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation on how they can be used. This net position category increased approximately \$181,000, or less than 1.0%, over the prior year’s balance.

Unrestricted net position – the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements – decreased from a deficit of approximately (\$5,804,000) at June 30, 2024 to a deficit of approximately (\$9,796,000) at the end of this year, a decrease of 68.8% primarily due to an increase in outstanding debt.

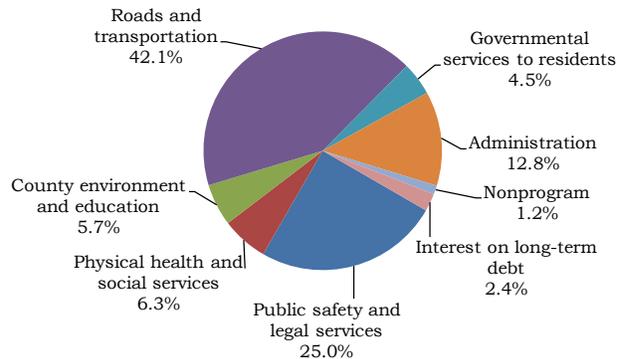
Changes in Net Position of Governmental Activities
(Expressed in Thousands)

	Year ended June 30,	
	2025	2024
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for service	\$ 4,077	3,954
Operating grants, contributions and restricted interest	8,772	8,723
Capital grants, contributions and restricted interest	5,078	5,330
General revenues:		
Property and other county tax	17,114	16,771
Tax increment financing	459	445
Reinvestment district	79	-
Penalty and interest on property tax	113	97
State tax credits	956	944
Local option sales tax	2,136	2,168
American Rescue Plan Act	909	3,921
Unrestricted investment earnings	1,178	1,368
Other general revenues	238	1,302
Total revenues	41,109	45,023
Program expenses:		
Public safety and legal services	9,170	8,052
Physical health and social services	2,322	2,024
County environment and education	2,109	10,220
Roads and transportation	15,460	10,347
Governmental services to residents	1,644	1,535
Administration	4,702	4,306
Nonprogram	442	791
Interest on long-term debt	894	847
Total expenses	36,743	38,122
Change in net position	4,366	6,901
Net position beginning of year	95,442	88,541
Net position end of year	\$ 99,808	95,442

Revenues by Source



Expenses by Function



Jasper County’s governmental activities net position increased approximately \$4,366,000 during the year. Revenues for governmental activities decreased approximately \$3,914,000 from the prior year. American Rescue Plan Act revenues decreased approximately \$3,012,000, property and other county tax revenues increased approximately \$343,000. Other general revenue decreased approximately \$1,064,000 primarily due to a hail damage reimbursement in fiscal year 2024.

For fiscal year 2025, taxable property valuation increased to approximately \$2,110,455,000 while the tax levy rate decreased from \$9.65430 to \$9.49487 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation. As a result, property and other county tax revenue remained consistent. Taxable valuation by levy, the actual levy rate per \$1,000 of taxable valuation and total dollars levied are as follows:

	Taxes Levied FY 2025	Taxes Levied FY 2024
Countywide taxable valuation	\$ 2,110,454,771	\$ 2,028,115,515
Countywide levy rate without debt service	5.89385	5.97453
Dollars levied without debt service	12,438,704	12,117,036
Debt service valuation	\$ 2,247,867,634	\$ 2,145,993,016
Debt service levy rate	0.59020	0.60873
Dollars levied debt service area only	1,326,691	1,306,330
Rural taxable valuation	\$ 1,221,865,652	\$ 1,177,912,775
Rural service levy rate	3.01082	3.07104
Dollars levied rural area only	3,678,818	3,617,417
Total dollars levied	17,444,213	17,040,783

The cost of all governmental activities this year was approximately \$36.7 million compared to approximately \$38.1 million last year. However, as shown in the Statement of Activities on page 21, the amount taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities was approximately \$18.8 million because some of the cost was paid by those directly benefited from the programs (approximately \$4,077,000) or by other governments and organizations which subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions (approximately \$13,850,000). Overall, the County’s governmental program revenues, including intergovernmental aid and fees for service, decreased in fiscal year 2025 from approximately \$18,007,000 to approximately \$17,927,000, primarily due to a decrease of approximately \$357,000 in contributed capital for roads and transportation.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR FUND ANALYSIS

As Jasper County completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of approximately \$26.8 million, an increase of approximately \$200,000 from last year’s total of approximately \$26.6 million. The following are the major reasons for the changes in fund balances of the major funds from the prior year:

- General Fund revenues decreased approximately \$1,918,000, or 8.7%. Fiscal year 2024 had a severe hail storm which the County received insurance reimbursements, resulting in a decrease of \$740,000 in fiscal year 2025. This decrease was offset by an increase of \$1,160,000 in conservation nature center donations compared to the prior year. Fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 also saw a decrease of \$3,000,000 in American Recue Plan Act revenues. Expenditures decreased approximately \$69,000, or less than 1.0%. The decrease in expenditures is primarily due to decrease in spending of American Rescue Plan Act funds for various projects, which was partially offset by an increase in adult correctional services costs related to bringing in prisoners from surrounding cities. The ending fund balance decreased approximately \$657,000, or 5.9%, from the prior year balance to \$10,441,686.

- Special Revenue, Rural Services Fund revenues increased approximately \$10,000, an increase of less than 1.0%. Property tax increased due to an increase in the Rural Services Basic taxable valuation which was \$1,177,912,755 of valuation in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,221,865,652 of valuation in fiscal year 2025, partially offset by a decrease in levy rate. Expenditures decreased approximately \$1,000, or less than 1.0%, due to a decrease in vehicles purchased. The ending fund balance decreased approximately \$98,000 from the prior year to a fund balance of \$6,173.
- Special Revenue, Secondary Roads Fund revenues increased approximately \$65,000, or less than 1.0%, from the prior year, primarily due to decreased insurance reimbursement for hail damage in fiscal year 2024. During the year, expenditures increased approximately \$5,804,000, or 59.3%, primarily due to an increase in the amount of granular surfacing material and project costs. The fund balance at June 30, 2025 was \$6,301,002, a decrease of \$4,004,833, or 38.9%.
- Debt Service Fund revenues increased approximately \$20,000 from the prior year due to an increase in the debt service tax valuation from \$2,145,993,016 in fiscal year 2024 to \$2,247,867,634 in fiscal year 2025. The County also issued approximately \$5.2 million in general obligation notes. Expenditures increased approximately \$264,000, or 12.6%, from the prior year. The increase in expenditures was due to an increase in the amount due from the 2023 Legacy Plaza 2023 Note of \$276,000 in fiscal year 2024 to \$460,000 in fiscal year 2025. At year end, the fund balance was \$5,733,537 compared to the prior year ending balance of \$639,031, an increase of \$5,094,506.
- Capital Projects Fund revenues decreased approximately \$233,000 from the prior year, primarily due to a decrease in grant revenue related to the Red Rock Prairie Trail project. Expenditures decreased approximately \$262,000, primarily due to the completion of the Red Rock Prairie Trail project from prior year. The ending Capital Projects fund balance increased approximately \$125,000 from the prior year to a fund balance of \$449,120 from a previous balance of \$324,496 at June 30, 2024.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, Jasper County amended its budget two times. The amendments were made in January and May 2025 and resulted in increases in budgeted disbursements in public safety, physical health and social services, county environment and education, roads and transportation, administration, debt service, nonprogram, and capital projects for various County projects. The amendments primarily increased intergovernmental and miscellaneous receipts.

The County's receipts were \$1,568,996 more than budgeted, a difference of 4.7%. Total disbursements were \$6,794,244 less than the amended budget, a difference of 14.6%. Actual disbursements for roads and transportation, nonprogram current and capital projects functions were \$1,930,859, \$1,480,700 and \$1,013,048, respectively, less than budgeted. This was primarily due to costs being less than anticipated and projects being delayed until the next fiscal year.

The County did not exceed budgeted expenditures in any category during fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2025, Jasper County had approximately \$91 million invested in a broad range of capital assets, including public safety equipment, buildings, park facilities, roads and bridges and intangible assets. This is a net increase (including additions and deletions) of approximately \$7,644,000, or 9.1% over last year.

Capital Assets of Governmental Activities at Year End (Expressed in Thousands)		
	June 30,	
	2025	2024
Land	\$ 2,594	2,594
Construction in progress	16,362	12,665
Buildings and improvements	18,065	17,403
Equipment and vehicles	11,180	11,502
Right-to-use leased assets	48	-
Intangibles	58	65
Infrastructure	42,254	38,688
Total	<u>\$ 90,561</u>	<u>82,917</u>

This year's major additions included (in thousands):

Capital assets contributed by the Iowa		
Department of Transportation	\$	4,973
Conservation nature center project		1,822
County engineer shop project		499
County Sheriff vehicles		360
Total	<u>\$</u>	<u>7,654</u>

The County had depreciation/amortization expense of \$4,457,479 in fiscal year 2025 and total accumulated depreciation/amortization of \$62,642,003 at June 30, 2025. More detailed information about the County's capital assets is presented in Note 5 to the financial statements.

Long-Term Debt

At June 30, 2025, Jasper County had approximately \$16,524,000 of general obligation bonds and capital loan notes and other debt outstanding, compared to approximately \$13,147,000 at June 30, 2024, as shown below:

Outstanding Debt of Governmental Activities at Year-End (Expressed in Thousands)		
	June 30,	
	2025	2024
General obligation capital loan notes	\$ 15,865	12,060
Lease agreements	34	-
Equipment replacement agreement	625	1,087
Total	<u>\$ 16,524</u>	<u>13,147</u>

Debt increased as a result of issuing general obligation capital loan notes for urban renewal and capital project purposes.

The County carries a general obligation bond rating of Aa2 assigned by national rating agencies to the County's debt. The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of general obligation debt counties can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all taxable property within the County's corporate limits. Jasper County's outstanding general obligation debt is significantly below its constitutional debt limit of approximately \$200 million. Additional information about the County's long-term debt is presented in Note 8 to the financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

Jasper County's elected and appointed officials and citizens considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2025 budget, tax rates and fees charged for various County activities. One of those factors is the economy. Unemployment in the County now stands at 3.9% versus 3.0% a year ago. This compares with the State's unemployment rate of 3.7% and the national rate of 4.1%.

The Jasper County Board of Supervisors has stated it is determined to use all of the one cent Local Option Sales and Services Tax (LOSST) funds for property tax relief and to increase County reserve funds. Therefore, in the fiscal year 2026 budget, some of the LOSST money estimated to be received in fiscal year 2025 (approximately \$1,200,000) was used to offset a property tax increase in fiscal year 2026.

Budgeted receipts in the fiscal year 2026 operating budget are approximately \$34,136,022, a 2.5% increase from the final fiscal year 2025 budget. Budgeted disbursements decreased approximately \$5,833,494 from the final fiscal year 2025 budget, primarily in the roads and transportation function. The County has added no major new programs or initiatives to the fiscal year 2026 budget.

If these estimates are realized, the County's budgetary operating balance is expected to decrease 22.9% by the close of fiscal year 2026.

CONTACTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers and creditors with a general overview of Jasper County's finances and to show the County's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Jasper County Auditor's Office, 101 1st Street N., Newton, Iowa 50208.

Jasper County

Basic Financial Statements

Jasper County
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2025

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Assets	
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments	\$ 30,996,055
Receivables:	
Property tax:	
Delinquent	25,390
Succeeding year	17,096,000
Succeeding year tax increment financing	444,000
Penalty and interest on property tax	136,530
Accounts	328,522
Loans	56,788
Opioid settlement	1,644,153
Due from other governments	816,017
Lease receivable	133,529
Inventories	531,541
Prepaid expense	164,119
Capital assets, not being depreciated/amortized	18,956,219
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization	<u>71,604,777</u>
Total assets	<u>142,933,640</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Pension related deferred outflows	1,926,484
OPEB related deferred outflows	<u>140,624</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>2,067,108</u>

Jasper County
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2025

	Governmental Activities
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	2,216,157
Accrued interest payable	47,290
Salaries and benefits payable	660,793
Due to other governments	41,032
Unearned revenue	676,026
Long-term liabilities:	
Portion due or payable within one year:	
General obligation capital loan notes	1,360,000
Lease agreement	16,584
Equipment purchase agreements	196,509
Compensated absences	711,737
Total OPEB liability	90,144
Portion due or payable after one year:	
General obligation capital loan notes	14,505,000
Lease agreement	17,703
Equipment purchase agreements	428,194
Compensated absences	1,536,343
Net pension liability	3,697,264
Total OPEB liability	794,229
Total liabilities	26,995,005
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Lease related	133,529
Unavailable property tax revenue	17,096,000
Unavailable tax increment financing revenue	444,000
Pension related deferred inflows	284,502
OPEB related deferred inflows	239,903
Total deferred inflows of resources	18,197,934
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	87,767,006
Restricted for:	
Nonexpendable:	
Permanent Fund	12,000
Expendable:	
Supplemental levy purposes	3,265,116
Secondary roads purposes	6,265,964
Local option sales and services tax purposes	2,334,821
Conservation land acquisition	22,099
Debt service	6,423,810
Capital projects	449,120
Opioid abatements	1,815,585
Other purposes	1,248,212
Unrestricted	(9,795,924)
Total net position	\$ 99,807,809

See notes to financial statements.

Jasper County

Jasper County
Statement of Activities
Year ended June 30, 2025

	Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
	Expenses	Charges for Service	Operating Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest	Capital Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest	
Functions/Programs:					
Governmental activities:					
Public safety and legal services	\$ 9,170,148	1,256,130	114,919	-	(7,799,099)
Physical health and social services	2,321,884	336,187	520,952	-	(1,464,745)
County environment and education	2,108,519	465,266	1,370,187	-	(273,066)
Roads and transportation	15,459,819	324,888	6,717,924	5,077,545	(3,339,462)
Governmental services to residents	1,644,176	1,081,983	4,980	-	(557,213)
Administration	4,701,890	96,698	42,962	-	(4,562,230)
Non-program	442,218	515,847	74	-	73,703
Interest on long-term debt	894,424	-	-	-	(894,424)
Total	\$ 36,743,078	4,076,999	8,771,998	5,077,545	(18,816,536)
General Revenues:					
Property and other county tax levied for:					
General purposes					15,809,732
Debt service					1,304,100
Tax increment financing					458,855
Reinvestment district					78,575
Penalty and interest on property tax					112,550
State tax credits and replacements					956,034
Local option sales and services tax					2,135,678
American Rescue Plan Act					908,609
Unrestricted investment earnings					1,177,614
Miscellaneous					240,826
Total general revenues					23,182,573
Change in net position					4,366,037
Net position beginning of year					95,441,772
Net position end of year					\$ 99,807,809

See notes to financial statements.

Jasper County
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds

June 30, 2025

	General	Special Revenue	
		Rural Services	Secondary Roads
Assets			
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments	\$ 11,701,913	629,462	5,771,553
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Delinquent	17,595	5,956	-
Succeeding year	10,903,000	4,856,000	-
Tax increment financing:			
Delinquent	-	-	-
Succeeding year	-	-	-
Penalty and interest on property tax	136,530	-	-
Accounts	104,513	-	202,499
Loans	-	-	56,788
Opioid settlement	-	-	-
Advances to other funds	600,000	-	-
Due from other governments	20,321	-	524,537
Lease receivable	133,529	-	-
Inventories	-	-	531,541
Prepaid expenditures	164,119	-	-
Total assets	\$ 23,781,520	5,491,418	7,086,918
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 940,820	16,124	623,590
Salaries and benefits payable	491,913	6,995	161,885
Due to other governments	40,421	170	441
Advances from other funds	-	600,000	-
Unearned revenues	676,026	-	-
Total liabilities	2,149,180	623,289	785,916
Deferred inflows of resources:			
Unavailable revenues:			
Succeeding year property tax	10,903,000	4,856,000	-
Succeeding year tax increment financing	-	-	-
Lease related	133,529	-	-
Other	154,125	5,956	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	11,190,654	4,861,956	-
Fund balances:			
Nonspendable:			
Inventories	-	-	531,541
Prepaid expenditures	164,119	-	-
Permanent fund	-	-	-
Advances to other funds	600,000	-	-
Restricted for:			
Supplemental levy purposes	1,568,804	-	-
Rural services purposes	-	6,173	-
Secondary roads purposes	-	-	5,769,461
Local option sales and services tax purposes	-	-	-
Conservation land acquisition	22,099	-	-
Debt service	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-
Opioid abatement	-	-	-
Other purposes	679,581	-	-
Unassigned	7,407,083	-	-
Total fund balances	10,441,686	6,173	6,301,002
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 23,781,520	5,491,418	7,086,918

See notes to financial statements.

Debt Service	Capital Projects	Nonmajor	Total
5,799,952	450,828	3,506,470	27,860,178
1,764	-	-	25,315
1,337,000	-	-	17,096,000
-	-	75	75
-	-	444,000	444,000
-	-	-	136,530
-	-	-	307,012
-	-	-	56,788
-	-	1,644,153	1,644,153
-	-	-	600,000
-	-	271,159	816,017
-	-	-	133,529
-	-	-	531,541
-	-	-	164,119
7,138,716	450,828	5,865,857	49,815,257
66,415	1,708	2,313	1,650,970
-	-	-	660,793
-	-	-	41,032
-	-	-	600,000
-	-	-	676,026
66,415	1,708	2,313	3,628,821
1,337,000	-	-	17,096,000
-	-	444,000	444,000
-	-	-	133,529
1,764	-	1,520,830	1,682,675
1,338,764	-	1,964,830	19,356,204
-	-	-	531,541
-	-	-	164,119
-	-	12,000	12,000
-	-	-	600,000
-	-	-	1,568,804
-	-	-	6,173
-	-	-	5,769,461
-	-	2,334,821	2,334,821
-	-	-	22,099
5,733,537	-	688,509	6,422,046
-	449,120	-	449,120
-	-	294,830	294,830
-	-	568,554	1,248,135
-	-	-	7,407,083
5,733,537	449,120	3,898,714	26,830,232
7,138,716	450,828	5,865,857	49,815,257

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Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet –
Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2025

Total governmental fund balances (page 23)	\$ 26,830,232
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. The cost of capital assets is \$153,202,999 and the accumulated depreciation/amortization is \$62,642,003.	90,560,996
Other long-term assets are not available to pay current year expenditures, and therefore, are recognized as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds.	1,682,675
The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of partial self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the Internal Service Fund are included with governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position.	2,592,200
Pension and OPEB related deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are not due and payable in the current year and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds, as follows:	
Deferred outflows of resources	\$ 2,067,108
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>(524,405)</u>
	1,542,703
Long-term liabilities, including general obligation capital loan notes payable, lease agreement payable, equipment purchase agreements payable, compensated absences payable, net pension liability, total OPEB liability and accrued interest payable, are not due and payable in the current year and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	<u>(23,400,997)</u>
Net position of governmental activities (page 19)	<u><u>\$ 99,807,809</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

Jasper County

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds

Year ended June 30, 2025

	Special Revenue			
	General	Rural Services	Secondary Roads	Legacy Plaza Economic Development
Revenues:				
Property and other county tax	\$ 12,183,473	3,629,679	-	-
Tax increment financing	-	-	-	-
Local option sales and services tax	-	-	-	-
Penalty and interest on property tax	96,231	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	2,901,369	230,877	6,828,412	-
Licenses and permits	35,962	144,300	70,684	-
Charges for service	1,699,734	4,700	20,414	-
Use of money and property	1,225,453	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	2,101,642	6,402	284,918	-
Total revenues	20,243,864	4,015,958	7,204,428	-
Expenditures:				
Operating:				
Public safety and legal services	8,927,271	496,005	-	-
Physical health and social services	2,056,523	-	-	-
County environment and education	1,984,961	346,895	-	-
Roads and transportation	-	-	13,326,946	-
Governmental services to residents	1,634,669	-	-	-
Administration	4,811,511	-	-	-
Non-program	115,105	-	-	-
Debt service	-	-	-	-
Capital projects	2,041,867	-	2,263,980	-
Total expenditures	21,571,907	842,900	15,590,926	-
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,328,043)	3,173,058	(8,386,498)	-
Other financing sources (uses):				
Proceeds from installment purchase agreement	198,810	-	-	-
Sale of capital assets	1,345	-	69,805	-
Transfers in	1,537,587	585,497	4,258,675	-
Transfers out	(1,066,998)	(3,856,568)	-	-
Lease agreements	-	-	53,185	-
General obligation capital loan notes issued	-	-	-	-
Premium on general obligation capital loan notes issued	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	670,744	(3,271,071)	4,381,665	-
Change in fund balances	(657,299)	(98,013)	(4,004,833)	-
Fund balances beginning of year, as previously presented	11,098,985	104,186	10,305,835	233,423
Change within financial reporting entity (major to nonmajor fund)	-	-	-	(233,423)
Fund balances beginning of year, as adjusted	11,098,985	104,186	10,305,835	-
Fund balances end of year	\$ 10,441,686	6,173	6,301,002	-

See notes to financial statements.

Debt Service	Capital Projects	Nonmajor	Total
1,304,402	-	-	17,117,554
-	-	458,780	458,780
-	-	2,135,677	2,135,677
-	-	-	96,231
68,351	179	86,857	10,116,045
-	-	-	250,946
-	-	6,600	1,731,448
-	74	13,751	1,239,278
-	-	225,356	2,618,318
<u>1,372,753</u>	<u>253</u>	<u>2,927,021</u>	<u>35,764,277</u>
-	-	9,407	9,432,683
-	-	284,000	2,340,523
-	-	17,246	2,349,102
-	-	-	13,326,946
-	-	685	1,635,354
-	-	32,649	4,844,160
-	-	-	115,105
2,362,497	-	-	2,362,497
-	338,485	24,467	4,668,799
<u>2,362,497</u>	<u>338,485</u>	<u>368,454</u>	<u>41,075,169</u>
<u>(989,744)</u>	<u>(338,232)</u>	<u>2,558,567</u>	<u>(5,310,892)</u>
-	-	-	198,810
-	-	-	71,150
897,299	462,856	-	7,741,914
-	-	(2,818,348)	(7,741,914)
-	-	-	53,185
5,130,000	-	-	5,130,000
56,951	-	-	56,951
<u>6,084,250</u>	<u>462,856</u>	<u>(2,818,348)</u>	<u>5,510,096</u>
<u>5,094,506</u>	<u>124,624</u>	<u>(259,781)</u>	<u>199,204</u>
639,031	324,496	3,925,072	26,631,028
-	-	233,423	-
<u>639,031</u>	<u>324,496</u>	<u>4,158,495</u>	<u>26,631,028</u>
<u>5,733,537</u>	<u>449,120</u>	<u>3,898,714</u>	<u>26,830,232</u>

Jasper County

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances –
Governmental Funds to the Statement
of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2025

Change in fund balances - Total governmental funds (page 27) \$ 199,204

**Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of
Activities are different because:**

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation/amortization expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets. Capital outlay expenditures and contributed capital assets exceeded depreciation/amortization expense in the current year, as follows:

Expenditures for capital assets	\$ 7,187,327	
Capital assets contributed by the Iowa Department of Transportation	4,972,982	
Right-to-use leased capital assets	53,185	
Depreciation/amortization expense	<u>(4,457,479)</u>	7,756,015

In the Statement of Activities, the loss on the disposition of capital assets is reported, whereas the governmental funds report the proceeds from the disposition as an increase in financial resources. (112,129)

Because some revenues will not be collected for several months after the County's year end, they are not considered available revenues and are recognized as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds, as follows:

Property tax	(3,647)	
Other	<u>(122,025)</u>	(125,672)

Proceeds from issuing long-term liabilities provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Repayment of long-term liabilities is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces the long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Current year issuances exceeded repayments, as follows:

Issued	(5,381,995)	
Repaid	<u>2,005,389</u>	(3,376,606)

The current year County IPERS contributions is reported as expenditures in the governmental funds but is reported as deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position. 1,109,506

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, as follows:

Compensated absences	(97,307)	
Pension expense	(1,514,844)	
OPEB expense	(50,409)	
Interest on long-term debt	<u>4,743</u>	(1,657,817)

The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of the partial self-funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan to individual funds. The change in net position of the Internal Service Fund is reported with governmental activities. 573,536

Change in net position of governmental activities (page 21) \$ 4,366,037

See notes to financial statements.

Jasper County
Statement of Net Position
Proprietary Fund
June 30, 2025

	<u>Internal Service-Employee Group Health</u>
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,135,877
Accounts receivable	<u>21,510</u>
Total assets	3,157,387
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	<u>565,187</u>
Net Position	
Restricted for employee health	<u>\$ 2,592,200</u>

See notes to financial statements.

Jasper County

Statement of Revenues, Expenses
and Changes in Fund Net Position
Proprietary Fund

Year Ended June 30, 2025

		<u>Internal Service-Employee Group Health</u>
Operating revenues:		
Reimbursements from operating funds		\$ 2,758,346
Reimbursements from employees and others		367,864
Insurance reimbursements		<u>58,895</u>
Total operating revenues		3,185,105
Operating expenses:		
Medical claims	\$ 2,164,525	
Insurance premiums	337,061	
Administrative fees	145,280	
Miscellaneous	<u>41,859</u>	<u>2,688,725</u>
Operating income		496,380
Non-operating revenues:		
Interest income		<u>77,156</u>
Net income		573,536
Net position beginning of year		<u>2,018,664</u>
Net position end of year		<u>\$ 2,592,200</u>

See notes to financial statements.

Jasper County
Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Fund
Year Ended June 30, 2025

		Internal Service-Employee Group Health
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from operating fund reimbursements	\$	2,914,966
Cash received from employees and others		380,670
Cash received from stop loss insurance recoveries		58,895
Cash paid for administrative fees		(145,280)
Cash paid to suppliers for services		(2,458,063)
Net cash provided by operating activities		751,188
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Interest on investments		77,156
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		828,344
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of year		2,307,533
Cash and cash equivalents end of year		\$ 3,135,877
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Operating income	\$	496,380
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Due from other governments		169,426
Accounts payable		85,382
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	751,188

See notes to financial statements.

Jasper County
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
Custodial Funds

June 30, 2025

	Other Employee Benefit Trust	Custodial
Assets		
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments:		
County Treasurer	\$ 59,500	3,177,314
Other County officials	-	99,129
Receivables:		
Property tax:		
Delinquent	-	67,658
Succeeding year	-	54,735,000
Accounts	-	13,203
Special assessments	-	168,447
Due from other governments	-	256,009
Total assets	59,500	58,516,760
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	-	24,185
Salaries and benefits payable	-	26,075
Due to other governments	-	2,355,759
Trusts payable	-	39,318
Compensated absences	-	65,964
Total liabilities	-	2,511,301
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Unavailable property tax revenue	-	54,735,000
Net position		
Held in trust for employee benefits	59,500	-
Restricted for individuals, organizations and other governments	-	1,270,459
Total net position	\$ 59,500	1,270,459

See notes to financial statements.

Jasper County
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Custodial Funds

Year ended June 30, 2025

	Other Employee Benefit Trust	Custodial
Additions:		
Donations and contributions	\$ 64,439	-
Property and other county tax	-	54,053,937
911 surcharge	-	491,860
State tax credits	-	3,331,934
Drivers license fees	-	323,228
Office fees and collections	-	1,688,088
Auto licenses, use tax and postage	-	16,323,954
Assessments	-	184,883
Trusts	-	2,222,080
Miscellaneous	-	276,835
Total additions	64,439	78,896,799
Deductions:		
Distributions to participants	94,268	-
Agency remittances:		
To other funds	-	1,819,648
To other governments	-	75,388,421
Trusts paid out	-	1,613,152
Total deductions	94,268	78,821,221
Change in net position held in trust	(29,829)	75,578
Net position beginning of year	89,329	1,194,881
Net position end of year	\$ 59,500	1,270,459

See notes to financial statements.

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Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2025

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Jasper County is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The County operates under the Board of Supervisors form of government. Elections are on a partisan basis. Other elected officials operate independently with the Board of Supervisors. These officials are the Auditor, Treasurer, Recorder, Sheriff and Attorney. The County provides numerous services to citizens, including law enforcement, health and social services, parks and cultural activities, planning and zoning, roadway construction and maintenance and general administrative services.

The County's financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, Jasper County has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The County has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the County are such that exclusion would cause the County's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the County to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the County.

These financial statements present Jasper County (the primary government) and its component units. The component units discussed below are included in the County's reporting entity because of the significance of their operational or financial relationships with the County.

Blended Component Units – The following component units are entities which are legally separate from the County, but are so intertwined with the County they are, in substance, the same as the County. They are reported as part of the County and blended into the appropriate funds.

Seven drainage districts have been established pursuant to Chapter 468 of the Code of Iowa for the drainage of surface waters from agricultural and other lands or the protection of such lands from overflow. Although these districts are legally separate from the County, they are controlled, managed and supervised by the Jasper County Board of Supervisors. The drainage districts are reported as a Special Revenue Fund. Financial information of the individual drainage districts can be obtained from the Jasper County Auditor's Office.

Jointly Governed Organizations – The County participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the citizenry of the County but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. The County Board of Supervisors are members of or appoint representatives to the following boards and commissions: Jasper County Assessor's Conference Board, Jasper County Emergency Management Commission and Jasper County Joint 911 Service Board. Financial transactions of these organizations are included in the County's financial statements only to the extent of the County's fiduciary relationship with the organization and, as such, are reported in the Custodial Funds of the County.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements – The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the County and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are supported by property tax, intergovernmental revenues and other nonexchange transactions.

The Statement of Net Position presents the County's nonfiduciary assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in the following categories:

Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Nonexpendable restricted net position is subject to externally imposed stipulations which require it to be maintained permanently by the County, including the County's Permanent Fund.

Expendable restricted net position results when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position consists of net position not meeting the definition of the preceding categories. Unrestricted net position is often subject to constraints imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements – Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental funds.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the County. All general tax revenues and other revenues not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue:

The Rural Services Fund is used to account for property tax and other revenues to provide services which are primarily intended to benefit those persons residing in the county outside of incorporated city areas.

The Secondary Roads Fund is used to account for the road use tax allocation from the State of Iowa, transfers from the General Fund and the Special Revenue, Rural Services Fund and other revenues to be used for secondary road construction and maintenance.

The Debt Service Fund is utilized to account for property tax and other revenues to be used for the payment of interest and principal on the County's general long-term debt.

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for all resources used in the acquisition and construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

Additionally, the County reports the following funds:

Proprietary Fund – An Internal Service Fund is utilized to account for the financing of goods or services purchased by one department of the County and provided to other departments or agencies on a cost-reimbursement basis.

Fiduciary Funds:

The Other Employee Benefit Trust Fund is used to account for resources held for retired employees who participated in the County's sick leave conversion program.

Custodial Funds are used to account for assets held by the County as an agent for individuals, private organizations, certain jointly governed organizations, other governmental units and/or other funds.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide, proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property tax is recognized as revenue in the year for which it is levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current year or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current year. For this purpose, the County considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year end.

Property tax, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest are considered to be susceptible to accrual. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the County.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments and compensated absences are recorded as expenditures only when payment is due. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under lease agreements are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the County funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the County's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants and then by general revenues.

When an expenditure is incurred in governmental funds which can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the County's policy is to pay the expenditure from restricted fund balance and then from less-restrictive classifications – committed, assigned and then unassigned fund balances.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the County's Internal Service Fund is charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for Internal Service Funds include the cost of services and administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The County maintains its financial records on the cash basis. The financial statements of the County are prepared by making memorandum adjusting entries to the cash basis financial records.

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance/Net Position

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the financial statements:

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Pooled Investments – The cash balances of most County funds are pooled and invested. Interest earned on investments is recorded in the General Fund unless otherwise provided by law. Investments are stated at fair value except for non-negotiable certificates of deposit which are stated at amortized cost.

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, all short-term cash investments that are highly liquid are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and, at the day of purchase, have a maturity date no longer than three months.

Property Tax Receivable – Property tax in governmental funds is accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Property tax receivable is recognized in these funds on the levy or lien date, which is the date the tax asking is certified by the County Board of Supervisors. Delinquent property tax receivable represents unpaid taxes for the current and prior years. The succeeding year property tax and tax increment financing receivables represent taxes certified by the Board of Supervisors to be collected in the next fiscal year for the purposes set out in the budget for the next fiscal year. By statute, the Board of Supervisors is required to certify its budget in April of each year for the subsequent fiscal year. However, by statute, the tax asking and budget certification for the following fiscal year becomes effective on the first day of that year. Although the succeeding year property tax and tax increment financing receivables have been recorded, the related revenue is reported as a deferred inflow of resources in both the government-wide and fund financial statements and will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which they are levied.

Property tax revenue recognized in these funds become due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1½% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2023 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified by the County Board of Supervisors in April 2024.

Penalty and Interest on Property Tax Receivable – Penalty and interest on property tax receivable represents the amount of penalty and interest that was due and payable but has not been collected.

Opioid Settlement Receivable – The County will receive payments from certain prescription drug companies and pharmaceutical distributors engaged in misleading and fraudulent conduct in the marketing and sale of opioids and failure to monitor for, detect and prevent diversion of the drugs. The County is required to use these funds for activities to remediate the opioid crisis and treat or mitigate opioid use disorder and related disorders through prevention, harm reduction and recovery services.

Special Assessments Receivable – Special assessments receivable represent the amounts due from individuals for work done which benefits their property. These assessments are payable by individuals in not more than 15 annual installments. Each annual installment with interest on the unpaid balance is due on September 30 and is subject to the same interest and penalties as other taxes. Special assessments receivable represent assessments which have been made but have not been collected.

Advances to/from Other Funds – Non-current portions of long-term interfund loan receivables are reported as advances and are offset equally by a nonspendable fund balance which indicates they do not constitute expendable available financial resources and, therefore, are not available to liquidate current obligations.

Due from Other Governments – Due from other governments represents amounts due from the State of Iowa, various shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments.

Inventories – Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method. Inventories consist of expendable supplies held for consumption. Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

Capital Assets – Capital assets are tangible and intangible assets, which include property, furniture and equipment and infrastructure assets are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost (except for intangible right-to-use lease assets, the measurement of which is discussed under “Leases” below) if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value. Acquisition value is the price that would have been paid to acquire a capital asset with equivalent service potential. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Intangible assets follow the same capitalization policies as tangible capital assets and are reported with tangible assets in the appropriate capital asset class. Reportable capital assets are defined by the County as assets with initial, individual costs in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of two years.

Asset Class	Amount
Intangibles	\$ 100,000
Subscription-based information technology	100,000
Infrastructure	50,000
Land improvements	5,000
Land, buildings and improvements	5,000
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	5,000
Right-to-use leased assets	5,000

Land and construction in progress are not depreciated. The other tangible and intangible property, plant, equipment, the right-to-use leased equipment and infrastructure are depreciated/amortized using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Asset Class	Estimated Useful lives (In Years)
Buildings	40 - 50
Building improvements	20 - 50
Improvements other than buildings	10 - 50
Infrastructure	10 - 65
Machinery and equipment	2 - 20
Vehicles	3 - 15
Right-to-use leased assets	2 - 10
Subscription-based information technology	2 - 10
Intangibles	2 - 10

Leases – County as Lessee – Jasper County is the lessee for a noncancellable lease of equipment. The County has recognized a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset (lease asset) in the government-wide financial statements. The County recognizes lease liabilities with an initial, individual value of \$5,000 or more.

At the commencement of a lease, the County initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

Key estimates and judgments related to leases include how Jasper County determines the discount rate it uses to discount the expected lease payments to present value, lease term and lease payments.

Jasper County uses the interest rate charged by the lessor as the discount rate. When the interest rate charged by the lessor is not provided, the County generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases.

The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are composed of fixed payments and a purchase option price that the county is reasonably certain to exercise.

The County monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its lease and will remeasure the lease asset and liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability.

Lease assets are reported with other capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position.

County as Lessor – Jasper County is a lessor for noncancellable leases of farmland and office space. The County recognizes a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources in the government-wide and governmental fund financial statements.

At the commencement of a lease, the County initially measures the lease receivable at the present value of payments expected to be received during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease receivable is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments received. The deferred inflow of resources is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease receivable, adjusted for lease payments received at or before the lease commencement date. Subsequently, the deferred inflow of resources is recognized as revenue of the life of the lease term.

Key estimates and judgments include how Jasper County determines the discount rate it uses to discount the expected lease receipts to present value, lease term and lease receipts.

Jasper County uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases.

The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease. Lease receipts included in the measurement of the lease receivable is composed of fixed payments from the lessee.

The County monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its lease and will remeasure the lease receivable and deferred inflows of resources if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease receivable.

Deferred Outflows of Resources – Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position applicable to a future year(s) which will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Deferred outflows of resources consist of unrecognized items not yet charged to pension, the unamortized portion of the net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments and OPEB expense and contributions from the County after the measurement date but before the end of the County's reporting period.

Due to Other Governments – Due to other governments represents taxes and other revenues collected by the County and payments for services which will be remitted to other governments.

Unearned Revenue – Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Unearned revenue in the government-wide and governmental fund financial statements represents the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the County has not made a qualifying expenditure. Unearned revenue consists of unspent American Rescue Plan Act proceeds.

Trusts Payable – Trusts payable represents amounts due to others which are held by various County officials in fiduciary capacities until the underlying legal matters are resolved.

Compensated Absences – County employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation, sick leave and compensatory hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. Accumulated sick leave in excess of 1,440 hours will be paid at the last rate of pay to an employee upon retirement. Upon retirement, employees may elect to convert up to 720 hours of accumulated sick leave to cash to be accounted for in the Fiduciary, Employee Benefit Trust Fund and used for continued health care coverage. A liability is recorded when each of the following have occurred: the leave is attributable to services already rendered, the leave accumulates and carries forward from one reporting period to the next and the leave is more likely than not to be used for time off or otherwise paid in case or settled through noncash means. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental fund financial statements only for employees who have resigned or retired. The compensated absences liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2025.

Long-Term Liabilities – In the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities or proprietary fund Statement of Net Position.

In the governmental fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Pensions – For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS) and additions to/deductions from IPERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by IPERS. For this purpose, benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions, are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value. The net pension liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund and the Special Revenue, Rural Services and Secondary Roads Funds.

Total OPEB Liability – For purposes of measuring the total OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB and OPEB expense, information has been determined based on Jasper County's actuary report. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The total OPEB liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund and the Special Revenue, Rural Services and Secondary Roads Funds.

Deferred Inflows of Resources – Deferred inflows of resources represents an acquisition of net position applicable to a future year(s) which will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources in the governmental fund financial statements represent the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources in the fund financial statements consist of property tax receivable and other receivables not collected within sixty days after year end and succeeding year property tax and tax increment financing receivables that will not be recognized until the year for which they are levied.

Deferred inflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position consist of succeeding year property tax and tax increment financing tax receivables that will not be recognized until the year for which they are levied, unrecognized items not yet charged to pension and OPEB expense and deferred amounts related to leases.

Fund Balance – In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

Nonspendable – Amounts which cannot be spent because they are in a nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted – Amounts restricted to specific purposes when constraints placed on the use of the resources are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors or state or federal laws or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unassigned – All amounts not included in the preceding classifications.

Net Position – The net position of the Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund is designated for anticipated future catastrophic losses of the County.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information. During the year ended June 30, 2025, disbursements did not exceed the amounts budgeted.

(2) Cash, Cash Equivalents and Pooled Investments

The County's deposits in banks at June 30, 2025 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to ensure there will be no loss of public funds.

The County is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board of Supervisors; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The County had no investments meeting the disclosure requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 72.

(3) Interfund Transfers

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2025 is as follows:

<u>Transfer to</u>	<u>Transfer from</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General	Special Revenue: Local Option Sales and Services Tax	<u>\$ 1,537,587</u>
Special Revenue: Rural Services	Special Revenue: Local Option Sales and Services Tax	<u>585,497</u>
Secondary Roads	General Special Revenue: Rural Services	<u>402,107</u> <u>3,856,568</u>
		<u>4,258,675</u>
Debt Service	General Special Revenue: Tax increment financing Legacy Plaza Economic Development	<u>202,035</u> <u>453,015</u> <u>242,249</u> <u>897,299</u>
Capital Projects	General	<u>462,856</u>
Total		<u>\$ 7,741,914</u>

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to expend the resources.

(4) Advances To and From other Funds

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General	Rural Services	<u>\$ 600,000</u>

During fiscal year 2022, the County approved an interfund loan from the General Fund to the Rural Services Fund for \$600,000. The interfund loan was made to cover a low cash balance in the fund.

(5) Capital Assets

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2025 was as follows:

	Balance Beginning of Year, as Restated	Increases	Decreases	Balance End of Year
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated/amortized:				
Land	\$ 2,594,492	-	-	2,594,492
Construction in progress	12,665,109	9,686,616	5,989,998	16,361,727
Total capital assets not being depreciated/amortized	15,259,601	9,686,616	5,989,998	18,956,219
Capital assets being depreciated/amortized:				
Buildings	16,679,839	694,647	-	17,374,486
Improvements other than buildings	7,195,566	643,409	-	7,838,975
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	21,277,352	1,497,260	612,452	22,162,160
Right-to-use leased equipment	-	53,185	-	53,185
Intangibles	145,252	-	-	145,252
Infrastructure	81,031,747	5,640,975	-	86,672,722
Total capital assets being depreciated/amortized	126,329,756	8,529,476	612,452	134,246,780
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization for:				
Buildings	4,567,708	310,626	-	4,878,334
Improvements other than buildings	1,905,181	365,023	-	2,270,204
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	9,775,311	1,694,288	487,723	10,981,876
Right-to-use leased equipment	-	5,220	-	5,220
Intangibles	79,890	7,263	-	87,153
Infrastructure	42,344,157	2,075,059	-	44,419,216
Total accumulated depreciation/amortization	58,672,247	4,457,479	487,723	62,642,003
Total capital assets being depreciated/amortized, net	67,657,509	4,071,997	124,729	71,604,777
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 82,917,110	13,758,613	6,114,727	90,560,996

Depreciation/amortization expense was charged to the following functions:

Governmental activities:	
Public safety and legal services	\$ 888,250
Physical health and social services	7,505
County environment and education	241,808
Roads and transportation	2,956,857
Governmental services to residents	969
Administration	362,090
Total depreciation/amortization expense - governmental activities	\$ 4,457,479

Equipment with a total cost of \$2,366,115 was purchased under equipment replacement agreements. Accumulated depreciation on these assets totaled \$503,537 at June 30, 2025.

(6) Lease Receivable

On September 23, 2021, the County entered into a five-year agreement to rent County-owned farmland. The County is to receive \$39,379 semi-annually with an estimated implicit interest rate of 3.75% with the final receipt due December 1, 2026. The County amended the agreement on January 1, 2023 where the County is to receive \$37,149 semi-annually. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County received \$68,343 in principal and \$5,955 in interest.

On December 14, 2021, the County entered three-year agreement to rent County owned farmland. The County is to receive \$5,767 semi-annually with an estimated implicit interest rate of 3.75% with the final receipt due December 15, 2024. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County received \$5,661 in principal and \$106 in interest.

On April 5, 2022, the County entered into a three-year agreement to rent office space to Heart of Iowa Regional Transit Agency. The County is to receive \$487 monthly with an implicit interest rate of 4% with the final receipt due March 1, 2025. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County received \$4,311 in principal and \$72 in interest.

On January 14, 2025, the County entered three-year agreement to rent County owned farmland. The County is to receive \$5,767 semi-annually with an estimated implicit interest rate of 6.75% with the final receipt due December 15, 2027. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County received \$5,767 in principal and no interest.

Future lease principal and interest receivable on these agreements as of June 30, 2025 is as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Farm Leases		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2026	\$ 80,866	4,966	85,832
2027	47,084	1,599	48,683
2028	5,579	188	5,767
	<u>\$ 133,529</u>	<u>6,753</u>	<u>140,282</u>

(7) Due to Other Governments

The County purchases services from other governmental units and also acts as a fee and tax collection agent for various governmental units. Tax collections are remitted to those governments in the month following collection. A summary of amounts due to other governments at June 30, 2025 is as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General	Services	\$ 40,421
Special Revenue:		
Rural Services	Services	170
Secondary Roads	Services	<u>441</u>
Total for governmental funds		<u>\$ 41,032</u>
Custodial:		
County Offices	Collections	\$ 60,166
Schools		244,508
Community Colleges		12,847
Corporations		183,472
Auto License and Use Tax		1,626,487
All other		<u>228,279</u>
Total for agency funds		<u>\$ 2,355,759</u>

(8) Long-Term Liabilities

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2025 is as follows:

	<u>General</u>		<u>Equipment</u>		<u>Net</u>	<u>Total</u>	
	<u>Obligation</u>	<u>Lease</u>	<u>Purchase</u>	<u>Compensated</u>	<u>Pension</u>	<u>OPEB</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Capital Loan</u>	<u>Agreements</u>	<u>Agreement</u>	<u>Absences</u>	<u>Liability</u>	<u>Liability</u>	
	<u>Notes</u>						
Balance beginning of year	\$ 12,060,000	-	1,087,384	2,150,773	3,643,732	846,288	19,788,177
Increases	5,130,000	53,185	198,810	97,307 *	53,532	148,866	5,681,700
Decreases	<u>1,325,000</u>	<u>18,898</u>	<u>661,491</u>	-	-	<u>110,781</u>	<u>2,116,170</u>
Balance end of year	<u>\$ 15,865,000</u>	<u>34,287</u>	<u>624,703</u>	<u>2,248,080</u>	<u>3,697,264</u>	<u>884,373</u>	<u>23,353,707</u>
Due within one year	<u>\$ 1,360,000</u>	<u>16,584</u>	<u>196,509</u>	<u>711,737</u>	-	<u>90,144</u>	<u>2,374,974</u>

* The change in compensated absences is presented as a net change.

General Obligation Capital Loan Notes

A summary of the County's June 30, 2025 general obligation capital loan note indebtedness is as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Refunding Series 2016			Series 2021		
	Issued May 16, 2016			Issued May 10, 2021		
	Interest Rates	Principal	Interest	Interest Rates	Principal	Interest
2026	2.50%	\$ 435,000	22,445	3.00%	\$ 925,000	40,050
2027	2.60	445,000	11,570	3.00	410,000	12,300
2028		-	-		-	-
2029		-	-		-	-
2030		-	-		-	-
2031-2035		-	-		-	-
2036-2040		-	-		-	-
2041-2043		-	-		-	-
Total		\$ 880,000	34,015		\$ 1,335,000	52,350

Year Ending June 30,	Reinvestment District Series 2023			Series 2025A		
	Issued Oct 25, 2023			Issued June 30, 2025		
	Interest Rates	Principal	Interest	Interest Rates	Principal	Interest
2026	5.00%	\$ -	459,110	5.00%	\$ -	196,724
2027	5.00	325,000	459,110	5.00	-	213,960
2028	4.90	340,000	442,860	5.00	300,000	213,960
2029	5.10	360,000	426,200	5.00	315,000	198,960
2030	5.10	375,000	407,840	5.00	335,000	183,210
2031-2035	5.10-5.30	2,185,000	1,728,635	4.70-5.10	1,950,000	648,530
2036-2040	5.40-5.60	2,830,000	1,081,045	4.90-5.00	1,430,000	145,300
2041-2043	5.60-5.70	2,105,000	243,580		-	-
Total		\$ 8,520,000	5,248,380		\$ 4,330,000	1,800,644

Year Ending June 30,	Series 2025B			Total		
	Issued June 30, 2025			Principal	Interest	Total
	Interest Rates	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Total
2026	5.00%	\$ -	34,341	\$ 1,360,000	752,670	2,112,670
2027	5.00	-	37,350	1,180,000	734,290	1,914,290
2028	5.00	55,000	37,350	695,000	694,170	1,389,170
2029	5.00	60,000	34,600	735,000	659,760	1,394,760
2030	5.00	60,000	31,600	770,000	622,650	1,392,650
2031-2035	4.70-5.10	360,000	108,750	4,495,000	2,485,915	6,980,915
2036-2040	4.90-5.00	265,000	21,400	4,525,000	1,247,745	5,772,745
2041-2043		-	-	2,105,000	243,580	2,348,580
Total		\$ 800,000	305,391	\$ 15,865,000	7,440,780	23,305,780

On May 16, 2016, the County issued \$3,665,000 of general obligation capital loan notes for the purpose of refunding \$3,500,000 of general obligation urban renewal bonds dated November 1, 2007. The notes bear interest at rates ranging from 1.15%-2.60% per annum and mature in June 2027. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County paid principal of \$420,000 and interest of \$32,315 on the notes.

On May 10, 2021, the County issued \$3,320,000 of general obligation capital loan notes, Series 2021, with an interest rate of 3.00% per annum. The notes were issued to pay costs of public buildings, including the site or grounds of, and the erection, equipment, remodeling, or reconstruction of, and additions or extensions to the County Administration Building. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County paid principal of \$905,000 and interest of \$67,200 on the notes.

On October 25, 2023, the County issued \$8,520,000 of general obligation capital loan notes, Series 2023, with interest rates ranging from 4.90-5.70% per annum. The notes were issued to pay costs of urban renewal projects for the Legacy Plaza Urban Renewal Area, including funding construction grants in connection with the Newton Legacy Reinvestment District. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County made no principal payments and paid interest of \$459,110 on the notes.

On June 30, 2025, the County issued \$4,330,000 of general obligation urban renewal capital loan notes, Series 2025A, with interest rates ranging from 4.70-5.00% per annum. The notes were issued to pay costs of urban renewal projects for the Jasper Rail Park Urban Renewal Area. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County was not required to make any principal or interest payments on the notes.

On June 30, 2025, the County issued \$800,000 of general obligation capital loan notes, Series 2025B, with interest rates ranging from 4.00-5.00% per annum. The notes were issued to pay costs of public buildings, including the site or grounds of, and the erection, equipment, remodeling, or reconstruction of, and additions or extensions to the buildings, including equipping, reconstruction, and remodeling at the Sheriff's training facility, and the erection and equipping of two new park maintenance sheds. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County was not required to make any principal or interest payments on the notes.

Equipment Purchase Agreements

During the year ended June 30, 2021, the County entered into an equipment purchase agreement for solar modules for County buildings. The total agreement is for \$447,700 in principal with interest at 3.88% per annum. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County paid principal of \$15,701 and interest of \$4,630 on the agreement. In addition, the principal balance was reduced by \$122,628 due to non-performance by the vendor, in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

During the year ended June 30, 2023, the County entered into an equipment purchase agreement for radio equipment for \$1,131,244. The agreement requires annual payments of \$377,081 over the three years with no interest and final payment due on July 1, 2024. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County paid principal of \$377,081 on the agreement. The agreement was paid in full at June 30, 2025.

During the year ended June 30, 2023, the County entered into an equipment purchase agreement for car and body cameras for \$578,559. These agreements require annual payments of \$116,342 over the next four years with no interest and final payment due on October 31, 2026. During the year ended June 30, 2025 the County paid principal of \$114,381 on the agreement. One payment of \$1,960 was not made and added to next year's principal payment below.

During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County entered into an equipment purchase agreement for tasers for \$167,001. In December 2024, two additional agreements were signed for more car and body cameras which totaled \$31,809. These agreements require annual payments over the next five years with no interest and final payment due on January 31, 2029. During the year ended June 30, 2025 the County paid principal of \$31,700.

The following is a schedule of the future minimum payments under the agreement in effect at June 30, 2025:

Year Ending June 30,	Solar Modules			Camera Devices	Tasers and Cameras
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Principal
2026	\$ 32,322	8,340	40,662	\$ 118,302	\$ 45,885
2027	33,589	7,073	40,662	116,342	46,075
2028	34,904	5,758	40,662	-	37,575
2029	36,272	4,390	40,662	-	37,575
2030	37,693	2,969	40,662	-	-
2031-2032	48,169	1,668	49,837	-	-
	<u>\$ 222,949</u>	<u>30,198</u>	<u>253,147</u>	<u>\$ 234,644</u>	<u>\$ 167,110</u>

Year Ending June 30,	Total		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2026	\$ 196,509	8,340	204,849
2027	196,006	7,073	203,079
2028	72,479	5,758	78,237
2029	73,847	4,390	78,237
2030	37,693	2,969	40,662
2031-2032	48,169	1,668	49,837
	<u>\$ 624,703</u>	<u>30,198</u>	<u>654,901</u>

Lease Agreement

On March 15, 2025, the County entered into a three-year agreement to lease a tractor. The County is to pay \$18,898 annually with an estimated implicit interest rate of 6.75% with the final payment due March 15, 2027. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County paid \$18,898 in principal, and no interest was paid.

Future principal and interest lease payments as of June 30, 2025 are as follows

Year Ending June 30,	Tractor Lease		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2026	\$ 16,584	2,314	18,898
2027	17,703	1,195	18,898
Total	<u>\$ 34,287</u>	<u>3,509</u>	<u>37,796</u>

(9) Pension Plan

Plan Description – IPERS membership is mandatory for employees of the County, except for those covered by another retirement system. Employees of the County are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS). IPERS issues a stand-alone financial report which is available to the public by mail at PO Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117 or at www.ipers.org.

IPERS benefits are established under Iowa Code Chapter 97B and the administrative rules thereunder. Chapter 97B and the administrative rules are the official plan documents. The following brief description is provided for general informational purposes only. Refer to the plan documents for more information.

Pension Benefits – A Regular member may retire at normal retirement age and receive monthly benefits without an early-retirement reduction. Normal retirement age is age 65, any time after reaching age 62 with 20 or more years of covered employment or when the member's years of service plus the member's age at the last birthday equals or exceeds 88, whichever comes first. These qualifications must be met on the member's first month of entitlement to benefits. Members cannot begin receiving retirement benefits before age 55. The formula used to calculate a Regular member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- A multiplier based on years of service.
- The member's highest five-year average salary, except members with service before June 30, 2012 will use the highest three-year average salary as of that date if it is greater than the highest five-year average salary.

Sheriffs and Deputies and Protection Occupation members may retire at normal retirement age, which is generally age 55. Sheriffs and Deputies and Protection Occupation members may retire any time after reaching age 50 with 22 or more years of covered employment.

The formula used to calculate a Sheriff and Deputy member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- 60% of average salary after completion of 22 years of special service, plus an additional 2.5% of average salary for more than 22 years of special service but not more than 30 years of service.
- 1.5% compound cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for members who retire on or after July 1, 2024, who are at least age 50 when they terminate employment and have at least 22 years of special service.
- The member's highest three-year average salary.

The formula used to calculate a Protection Occupation member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- 60% of average salary after completion of 22 years of special service, plus an additional 1.5% of average salary for more than 22 years of special service but not more than 30 years of service.
- The member's highest three-year average salary.

If a Regular member retires before normal retirement age, the member's monthly retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by an early-retirement reduction. The early-retirement reduction is calculated differently for service earned before and after July 1, 2012. For service earned before July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.25% for each month the member receives benefits before the member's earliest normal retirement age. For service earned on or after July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.50% for each month the member receives benefits before age 65.

Generally, once a member selects a benefit option, a monthly benefit is calculated and remains the same for the rest of the member's lifetime. However, to combat the effects of inflation, retirees who began receiving benefits prior to July 1990 receive a guaranteed dividend with their regular November benefit payments.

Disability and Death Benefits – A vested member who is awarded federal Social Security disability or Railroad Retirement disability benefits is eligible to claim IPERS benefits regardless of age. Disability benefits are not reduced for early retirement. If a member dies before retirement, the member's beneficiary will receive a lifetime annuity or a lump-sum payment equal to the present actuarial value of the member's accrued benefit or calculated with a set formula, whichever is greater. When a member dies after retirement, death benefits depend on the benefit option the member selected at retirement.

Contributions – Contributions rates are established by IPERS following the annual actuarial valuation which applies IPERS' Contribution Rate Funding Policy and Actuarial Amortization Method. State statute limits the amount rates can increase or decrease each year to 1 percentage point. IPERS Contribution Rate Funding Policy requires the actuarial contribution rate be determined using the "entry age normal" actuarial cost method and the actuarial assumptions and methods approved by the IPERS Investment Board. The actuarial contribution rate covers normal cost plus the unfunded actuarial liability payment based on a 30-year amortization period. The payment to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability is determined as a level percentage of payroll based on the Actuarial Amortization Method adopted by the Investment Board.

In fiscal year 2025, pursuant to the required rate, Regular members contributed 6.29% of covered payroll and the County contributed 9.44% for a total rate of 15.73%. The Sheriff and Deputies members and the County each contributed 8.51% of covered payroll for a total rate of 17.02%. Protection Occupation members contributed 6.21% of covered payroll and the County contributed 9.31% for a total rate of 15.52%.

The County's contributions to IPERS for the year ended June 30, 2025 totaled \$1,109,506.

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions – At June 30, 2025, the County reported a liability of \$3,697,264 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The County's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the County's share of contributions to IPERS relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. At June 30, 2024, the County's proportion was 0.101531%, which was an increase of 0.020804% over its proportion measured as of June 30, 2023.

For the year ended June 30, 2025, the County recognized pension expense of \$1,514,844. At June 30, 2025, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 663,184	2,134
Changes of assumptions	-	84,430
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on IPERS' investments	82,423	-
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and the County's proportionate share of contributions	71,371	197,938
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date	1,109,506	-
Total	<u>\$ 1,926,484</u>	<u>284,502</u>

\$1,109,506 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2026. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Amount
2026	\$ (643,211)
2027	1,180,147
2028	94,785
2029	(111,272)
2030	12,027
Total	<u>\$ 532,476</u>

There were no non-employer contributing entities to IPERS.

Actuarial Assumptions – The total pension asset in the June 30, 2024 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Rate of inflation (effective June 30, 2017)	2.60% per annum.
Rates of salary increase (effective June 30, 2017)	3.25 to 16.25% average, including inflation. Rates vary by membership group.
Long-term investment rate of return (effective June 30, 2017)	7.00% compounded annually, net of investment expense, including inflation.
Wage growth (effective June 30, 2017)	3.25% per annum, based on 2.60% inflation and 0.65% real wage inflation.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2024 valuation were based on the results of a quadrennial experience study covering the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021.

Mortality rates used in the 2024 valuation were based on the PubG-2010 mortality tables with mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2021.

The long-term expected rate of return on IPERS' investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates (expected returns, net of investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Asset Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic equity	21.0%	3.52%
International equity	13.0	5.18
Global smart beta equity	5.0	4.12
Core plus fixed income	25.5	3.04
Public credit	3.0	4.53
Cash	1.0	1.69
Private equity	17.0	8.89
Private real assets	9.0	4.25
Private credit	5.5	6.62
Total	<u>100.0%</u>	

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total pension asset was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed employee contributions will be made at the contractually required rate and contributions from the County will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, IPERS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on IPERS' investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1% lower (6.00%) or 1% higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 10,741,949	3,697,264	(2,194,723)

IPERS' Fiduciary Net Position – Detailed information about IPERS' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued IPERS financial report which is available on IPERS' website at www.ipers.org.

Payables to IPERS – All legally required County contributions and legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages were remitted by the County to IPERS by June 30, 2025.

(10) Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

Plan Description – The County administers a single-employer benefit plan which provides medical, prescription drug and dental benefits for employees, retirees and their spouses. Group insurance benefits are established under Iowa Code Chapter 509A.13. No assets are accumulated in a trust which meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

OPEB Benefits – Individuals who are employed by Jasper County and are eligible to participate in the group health plan are eligible to continue healthcare benefits upon retirement. Retirees under age 65 pay the same premium for the medical, prescription drug and dental benefits as active employees, which results in an implicit rate subsidy and an OPEB liability.

Retired participants must be age 55 or older at retirement. At June 30, 2025, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	10
Active employees	<u>171</u>
Total	<u>181</u>

Total OPEB Liability – The County’s total OPEB liability of \$884,373 was measured as of June 30, 2025 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions – The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2025 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and the entry age normal actuarial cost method, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

Rate of inflation (effective June 30, 2025)	2.60% per annum.
Rates of salary increase (effective June 30, 2025)	3.25% per annum, including inflation.
Discount rate (effective June 30, 2025)	5.20% compounded annually, including inflation.
Healthcare cost trend rate (effective June 30, 2025)	8.00% initial rate decreasing by .5% annually to an ultimate rate of 4.50%.

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 5.20% which reflects the index rate for 20-year tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher as of the measurement date.

Mortality rates are from the SOA Pub-2010 General Headcount Weighted Mortality Table fully generational using Scale MP-2021. Annual retirement probabilities are based on varying rates by age and turnover probabilities mirror those used for IPERS.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	<u>Total OPEB Liability</u>
Total OPEB liability beginning of year	\$ 846,288
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	81,951
Interest	37,660
Differences between expected and actual experiences	(42,682)
Changes in assumptions	29,255
Benefit payments	<u>(68,099)</u>
Net changes	<u>38,085</u>
Total OPEB liability end of year	<u>\$ 884,373</u>

Changes of assumptions reflect a change in the discount rate from 4.21% in fiscal year 2024 to 5.20% in fiscal year 2025.

Sensitivity of the County's Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower (4.20%) or 1% higher (6.20%) than the current discount rate.

	<u>1% Decrease (4.20%)</u>	<u>Discount Rate (5.20%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (6.20%)</u>
Total OPEB liability	\$ 948,270	884,373	824,372

Sensitivity of the County's Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1% lower (7.00%) or 1% higher (9.00%) than the current healthcare cost trend rates.

	<u>1% Decrease (7.00%)</u>	<u>Healthcare Cost Trend Rate (8.00%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (9.00%)</u>
Total OPEB liability	\$ 785,561	884,373	1,000,629

OPEB Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB – For the year ended June 30, 2025, the County recognized OPEB expense of \$118,508. At June 30, 2025, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following resources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 61,408	190,958
Changes in assumptions	79,216	48,945
Total	<u>\$ 140,624</u>	<u>239,903</u>

The amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized as OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Amount
2026	\$ 11,819
2027	7,598
2028	(23,303)
2029	(23,303)
2030	(23,312)
Thereafter	(48,778)
	<u>\$ (99,279)</u>

(11) Risk Management

The County is a member of the Iowa Communities Assurance Pool, as allowed by Chapter 331.301 of the Code of Iowa. The Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (Pool) is a local government risk-sharing pool whose 805 members include various governmental entities throughout the State of Iowa. The Pool was formed in August 1986 for the purpose of managing and funding third-party liability claims against its members. The Pool provides coverage and protection in the following categories: general liability, automobile liability, automobile physical damage, employment practices liability, public officials liability, cyber liability and law enforcement liability. There have been no reductions in insurance coverage from prior years.

Each member’s annual casualty contributions to the Pool fund current operations and provide capital. Annual casualty operating contributions are those amounts necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool’s general and administrative expenses, claims, claims expenses and reinsurance expenses estimated for the fiscal year, plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital. Capital contributions are made during the first six years of membership and are maintained at a level determined by the Board not to exceed 300% of basis rate.

The Pool also provides property coverage. Members who elect such coverage make annual property operating contributions which are necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool’s general and administrative expenses, reinsurance premiums, losses and loss expenses for property risks estimated for the fiscal year, plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital. Any year-end operating surplus is transferred to capital. Deficiencies in operations are offset by transfers from capital and, if insufficient, by the subsequent year’s member contributions.

The County's property and casualty contributions to the Pool are recorded as expenditures from its operating funds at the time of payment to the Pool. The County's contributions to the Pool for the year ended June 30, 2025 were \$591,467.

The Pool uses reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements to reduce its exposure to large losses. The Pool retains general, automobile, employment practices, law enforcement, cyber, and public officials' liability risks up to \$500,000 per claim. Claims exceeding \$500,000 are reinsured through reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements up to the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the County's risk-sharing certificate. Property and automobile physical damage risks are retained by the Pool up to \$500,000 each occurrence, each location. Property risks exceeding \$500,000 are reinsured through reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements up to the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the County's risk-sharing certificate.

The Pool's intergovernmental contract with its members provides that in the event a casualty claim, property loss or series of claims or losses exceeds the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the County's risk-sharing certificate, or in the event a casualty claim, property loss or series of claims or losses exhausts the Pool's funds and any excess risk-sharing recoveries, then payment of such claims or losses shall be the obligation of the respective individual member against whom the claim was made or the loss was incurred.

The County does not report a liability for losses in excess of reinsurance or excess risk-sharing recoveries unless it is deemed probable such losses have occurred and the amount of such loss can be reasonably estimated. Accordingly, at June 30, 2025, no liability has been recorded in the County's financial statements. As of June 30, 2025, settled claims have not exceeded the risk pool or reinsurance coverage since the Pool's inception.

Members agree to continue membership in the Pool for a period of not less than one full year. After such period, a member who has given a 60-day prior written notice may withdraw from the Pool. Upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claim expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim was incurred or reported prior to the member's withdrawal. Upon withdrawal, a formula set forth in the Pool's intergovernmental contract with its members is applied to determine the amount (if any) to be refunded to the withdrawing member.

The County also carries commercial insurance purchased from other insurers for coverage associated with workers compensation, crime, and employee blanket bond in the amount of \$1,000,000, \$5,000-\$250,000, and \$20,000-\$50,000, respectively. The County assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

(12) Employee Health Insurance Plan

The Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund was established to account for the partial self-funding of the County’s health insurance benefit plan. The plan is funded by both employee and County contributions and is administered through a service agreement with Wellmark. The agreement is subject to automatic renewal provisions. The County assumes liability for claims up to the individual stop loss limitation of \$100,000. Claims in excess of coverage are insured through purchase of stop loss insurance.

Monthly payments of service fees and plan contributions to the Employee Group Health Fund are recorded as expenditures from the operating funds. Under the administrative services agreement, monthly payments of service fees and claims processed are paid to Wellmark from the Employee Group Health Fund. The County’s contribution for the year ended June 30, 2025 was \$2,758,346.

Amounts payable from the Employee Group Health Fund at June 30, 2025 total \$565,187, which is for incurred but not reported (IBNR) and reported but not paid claims. The amounts are based on actuarial estimates of the amounts necessary to pay prior-year and current-year claims and to establish a reserve for catastrophic losses. That reserve was \$2,592,200 at June 30, 2025 and is reported as a designation of the Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund net position. A liability has been established based on the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10, which requires a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of financial statements indicates it is probable a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and the amount of loss can be reasonably estimated. Settlements have not exceeded the stop-loss coverage in any of the past three years. A reconciliation of changes in the aggregate liability for the current year is as follows:

Unpaid claims beginning of year	\$ 479,805
Incurred claims (including claims incurred but not reported at June 30, 2025)	2,164,525
Payments:	
Payment on claims during the year	<u>2,079,143</u>
Unpaid claims end of year	<u>\$ 565,187</u>

(13) Voluntary Termination Benefit Program

A voluntary termination benefit program has been established for County employees. The program allows an employee who is eligible, upon a bona fide retirement, to use the value of up to 720 hours of their unused sick leave to pay the County’s share of the monthly premium of the County’s group health insurance plan after their retirement.

Upon retirement, the balance of the accrued sick leave will be credited to the employee’s sick leave upon retirement account. The County will continue to pay its share of the health insurance premium each month until the converted value of the employee’s sick leave balance is exhausted, or the employee is eligible for Medicare, whichever comes first. The converted value of the sick leave can only be applied to the County’s share of health insurance premiums.

All program benefits are financed on a pay-as-you-go basis by the County. The County accounts for retiree activity in the Fiduciary, Other Employee Benefit Trust Fund. Amounts due for the program have been included in and reported as compensated absences on the government-wide financial statements. The liability for expected future health insurance benefits under this program at June 30, 2025 is \$1,254,520.

For the year ended June 30, 2025, eleven employees participated and received benefits totaling \$94,268 under the program. The County contributed \$64,439 to the fund for retirees under the program.

(14) Deferred Compensation Plan

The County offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457 for employees. The 457 Plan, available to all County employees, permits them to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency.

All amounts of compensation deferred under the plan, all property and rights purchased with those amounts, and all income attributable to those amounts, property, or rights must be held in trust of the exclusive benefit of plan participants and beneficiaries. These funds are invested and held by an outside investment company and do not constitute a liability of the County.

(15) Reinvestment District Development Agreement

On February 24, 2023, the City of Newton and Jasper County entered into an agreement with Christensen Development 1, LLC, (Developer), for the development of a reinvestment district under Iowa Code Section 15J named the Newton Legacy Reinvestment District. The County adopted an Urban Renewal plan for the purpose of carrying out urban renewal projects activities in an area known as the Legacy Plaza Urban Renewal Area. On October 25, 2023, the County issued general obligation urban renewal capital loan notes, Series 2023. The notes were issued to pay costs of urban renewal projects for the Legacy Plaza Urban Renewal Area, including funding construction grants in connection with the Newton Legacy Reinvestment District. During the year ended June 30, 2024, the County paid the Developer \$8,000,000, the maximum amount of the agreement.

Per Iowa Code Chapter 15J.7, state sales tax revenue and state hotel and motel tax revenue remitted by the State to the County shall be deposited in a reinvestment project fund and shall be used to fund projects within the district from which the revenues were collected. The general obligation urban renewal capital loan notes will be repaid by the state sales tax revenue received within the Legacy Plaza Urban Renewal Area. The commencement date of the reinvestment district is October 1, 2024 and completion of minimum improvements by October 1, 2025. The full assessment of the minimum improvements will be performed by January 1, 2026.

(16) Tax Abatements

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 77 defines tax abatements as a reduction in tax revenues which results from an agreement between one or more governments and an individual or entity in which (a) one or more governments promise to forgo tax revenues to which they are otherwise entitled and (b) the individual or entity promises to take a specific action after the agreement has been entered into that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the governments or the citizens of those governments.

Tax Abatements of Other Entities

Other entities within the County also provided tax abatements for urban renewal and economic development projects pursuant to Chapters 15 and 403 of the Code of Iowa. For these types of projects, the other entities enter into agreements with developers which require the other entities, after developers meet the terms of the agreements, to rebate a portion of the property tax paid by the developers, to pay the developers and economic development grant or to pay the developers a predetermined dollar amount. Additionally, the Cities of Colfax and Prairie City offered an urban revitalization tax abatement program pursuant to Chapter 404 of the Code of Iowa. With prior approval by the governing body, this program provides for an exemption of taxes based on a percentage of the actual value added by improvements.

Property tax revenues of the County were reduced by the following amounts for the year ended June 30, 2025 under agreements entered into by the following entities:

Entity	Tax Abatement Program	Amount of Tax Abated
City of Baxter	Urban renewal and economic development projects	\$ 4,080
City of Colfax	Urban renewal and economic development projects	366
	Chapter 404 tax abatement program	9,479
City of Newton	Urban renewal and economic development projects	89,423
City of Prairie City	Chapter 404 tax abatement program	198
City of Sully	Urban renewal and economic development projects	11,804
City of Kellogg	Urban renewal and economic development projects	25,474

(17) Loans Receivable

During the year ended June 30, 2017, the County entered into a 28E agreement with the City of Sully to pave a county highway within Sully City limits. The County will assess the City for all costs to be reimbursed to the County’s Secondary Road Fund. The City is required to reimburse the County’s Secondary Road Fund for the City’s share of costs over a period of ten years, with equal payments of \$25,500, with the final installment payment of \$23,588 due at final maturity. As of June 30, 2025, \$204,000 has been received and the outstanding loan receivable is \$49,088.

During the year ended June 30, 2022, the County entered into a 28E agreement with the City of Kellogg for a bridge replacement within the Kellogg Corporate City limits. The County will assess the City for all costs to be reimbursed to the County’s Secondary Road Fund. The City is required to reimburse the County’s Secondary Road Fund for the City’s share of costs over a period of five years, with equal payments of \$7,700. As of June 30, 2025, \$30,800 has been received and the outstanding loan receivable is \$7,700.

During the year ended June 30, 2025, the County entered into a 28E agreement with Mahaska County for extension of pavement on a right-of-way between the two Counties. Jasper has entered into an agreement with the Iowa DOT for Revitalize Iowa’s Sound Economy (RISE) program funding up to 50% of eligible costs, with the remaining 50% to be evenly split between Jasper and Mahaska. As of June 30, 2025, the amount due from Mahaska has not been determined.

(18) Construction Commitment

The County has entered into a contract totaling a maximum of \$2,876,259 for a new conservation nature center. As of June 30, 2025, costs of \$1,765,779 on the project have been incurred. The \$1,110,480 balance remaining on the project at June 30, 2025 will be paid as work on the project progresses

(19) Subsequent Events

In July 2025, the County issued \$1,715,000 of general obligation urban renewal capital loan notes for urban renewal purposes.

Required Supplementary Information

Jasper County

Budgetary Comparison Schedule of
Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Balances –
Budget and Actual (Cash Basis) – All Governmental Funds

Required Supplementary Information

Year ended June 30, 2025

	Actual	Less Funds not Required to be Budgeted	Net
Receipts:			
Property and other county tax	\$ 19,692,177	-	19,692,177
Penalty and interest on property tax	96,231	-	96,231
Intergovernmental	9,223,640	-	9,223,640
Licenses and permits	251,720	-	251,720
Charges for service	1,813,564	-	1,813,564
Use of money and property	1,273,980	-	1,273,980
Miscellaneous	2,517,252	-	2,517,252
Total receipts	34,868,564	-	34,868,564
Disbursements:			
Public safety and legal services	9,044,282	-	9,044,282
Physical health and social services	2,058,104	-	2,058,104
County environment and education	2,329,958	-	2,329,958
Roads and transportation	13,214,465	-	13,214,465
Governmental services to residents	1,633,856	-	1,633,856
Administration	5,157,939	-	5,157,939
Non-program	189,350	-	189,350
Debt service	2,296,084	-	2,296,084
Capital projects	3,827,295	-	3,827,295
Total disbursements	39,751,333	-	39,751,333
Deficiency of receipts under disbursements	(4,882,769)	-	(4,882,769)
Other financing sources, net	5,297,909	-	5,297,909
Change in balances	415,140	-	415,140
Balance beginning of year	27,445,038	57,884	27,387,154
Balance end of year	\$ 27,860,178	57,884	27,802,294

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Budgeted Amounts		Final to Net Variance
Original	Final	
18,451,232	18,952,632	739,545
30,000	30,000	66,231
7,697,978	8,300,651	922,989
169,250	206,076	45,644
1,529,457	1,845,796	(32,232)
845,454	1,048,962	225,018
662,194	2,915,451	(398,199)
<u>29,385,565</u>	<u>33,299,568</u>	<u>1,568,996</u>
9,819,374	9,880,145	835,863
2,165,867	2,274,820	216,716
1,905,598	2,451,525	121,567
11,646,425	15,145,324	1,930,859
1,948,245	1,956,083	322,227
5,708,007	6,006,155	848,216
39,100	1,670,050	1,480,700
1,861,422	2,321,132	25,048
<u>3,615,980</u>	<u>4,840,343</u>	<u>1,013,048</u>
<u>38,710,018</u>	<u>46,545,577</u>	<u>6,794,244</u>
(9,324,453)	(13,246,009)	8,363,240
-	-	5,297,909
<u>(9,324,453)</u>	<u>(13,246,009)</u>	<u>13,661,149</u>
<u>23,249,348</u>	<u>27,095,841</u>	<u>291,313</u>
<u>13,924,895</u>	<u>13,849,832</u>	<u>13,952,462</u>

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budget to GAAP Reconciliation

Required Supplementary Information

Year ended June 30, 2025

	<u>Governmental Funds</u>		
	<u>Cash</u>	<u>Accrual</u>	<u>Modified</u>
	<u>Basis</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Accrual</u>
			<u>Basis</u>
Revenues	\$ 34,868,564	895,713	35,764,277
Expenditures	39,751,333	1,323,836	41,075,169
Net	(4,882,769)	(428,123)	(5,310,892)
Other financing sources	5,297,909	212,187	5,510,096
Beginning fund balances	27,445,038	(814,010)	26,631,028
Ending fund balances	<u>\$ 27,860,178</u>	<u>(1,029,946)</u>	<u>26,830,232</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Budgetary Reporting

June 30, 2025

This budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the County Board of Supervisors annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except blended component units, the Internal Service Fund, Fiduciary Funds and Custodial Funds, and appropriates the amount deemed necessary for each of the different County offices and departments. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. Encumbrances are not recognized on the cash basis budget and appropriations lapse at year end.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon nine major classes of expenditures known as functions, not by fund. These nine functions are: public safety and legal services, physical health and social services, county environment and education, roads and transportation, governmental services to residents, administration, non-program, debt service and capital projects. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds, the Debt Service Fund, the Capital Projects Fund and the Permanent Fund. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. Legal budgetary control is also based upon the appropriation to each office or department. During the year, two budget amendments increased budgeted disbursements by \$7,835.559. The budget amendments are reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

In addition, annual budgets are similarly adopted in accordance with the Code of Iowa by the appropriate governing body as indicated: for the County Assessor by the County Conference Board, for the 911 System by the Joint 911 Service Board and for Emergency Management Services by the County Emergency Management Commission.

During the year ended June 30, 2025, disbursements did not exceed the amounts budgeted in any expenditure category.

Jasper County

Schedule of County Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)

Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System
For the Last Ten Years*
(In Thousands)

Required Supplementary Information

	2025	2024	2023	2022
County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.101531%	0.080727%	0.069240%	0.670652% **
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 3,697	3,644	2,616	(2,315)
County's covered payroll	\$ 11,359	10,734	10,206	10,057
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	32.55%	33.94%	25.63%	(23.02)%
IPERS' net position as a percentage of the total pension liability (asset)	92.30%	90.13%	91.40%	100.81%

* In accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, the amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30 of the preceding fiscal year.

** Overall plan net pension asset.

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
0.101083%	0.097319%	0.100727%	0.106372%	0.109621%	0.100784%
7,101	5,635	6,374	7,086	6,899	4,979
10,170	10,038	9,849	9,582	9,494	8,840
69.82%	56.14%	64.72%	73.95%	72.67%	56.32%
82.90%	85.45%	83.62%	82.21%	81.82%	85.19%

Jasper County

Schedule of County Contributions

Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System
For the Last Ten Years
(In Thousands)

Required Supplementary Information

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Statutorily required contribution	\$ 1,110	1,054	1,000	956
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	<u>(1,110)</u>	<u>(1,054)</u>	<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>(956)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
County's covered payroll	\$ 11,967	11,359	10,734	10,206
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	9.28%	9.28%	9.32%	9.37%

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
948	966	958	894	873	868
(948)	(966)	(958)	(894)	(873)	(868)
-	-	-	-	-	-
10,057	10,170	10,038	9,849	9,582	9,494
9.43%	9.50%	9.54%	9.08%	9.11%	9.14%

Jasper County

Jasper County

Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Pension Liability (Asset)

Year ended June 30, 2025

Changes of benefit terms:

Legislation passed in 2024 modified benefit terms for current Sheriffs and Deputies. The benefit enhancements:

- Increased the benefit multiplier from 1.5 % to 2.5% for years of special service between 22 and 30, thereby increasing the maximum benefit from 72% to 80% of average salary.
- Granted an automatic 1.5% compound of cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for members who retire on or after July 1, 2024, who are at least age 50 when they terminate employment and have at least 22 years of special service.

Changes of assumptions:

The 2022 valuation incorporated the following refinements after a quadrennial experience study:

- Changed mortality assumptions to the PubG-2010 mortality tables with mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2021.
- Adjusted retirement rates for Regular members.
- Lowered disability rates for Regular members.
- Adjusted termination rates for all membership groups.

The 2018 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a demographic assumption study dated June 28, 2018:

- Changed mortality assumptions to the RP-2014 mortality tables with mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2017.
- Adjusted retirement rates.
- Lowered disability rates.
- Adjusted the probability of a vested Regular member electing to receive a deferred benefit.
- Adjusted the merit component of the salary increase assumption.

The 2017 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of an experience study dated March 24, 2017:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.00% to 2.60%.
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 3.75% to 3.50% per year.
- Decreased the discount rate from 7.50% to 7.00%.
- Decreased the wage growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.
- Decreased the payroll growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.

Jasper County

Schedule of Changes in the County's
Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

For the Last Eight Years
Required Supplementary Information

	2025	2024	2023	2022
Service cost	\$ 81,951	83,513	85,342	99,505
Interest cost	37,660	35,712	36,222	22,796
Difference between expected and actual experiences	(42,682)	(60,286)	(62,669)	(97,898)
Changes in assumptions	29,255	33,476	(2,150)	(78,968)
Benefit payments	(68,099)	(54,063)	(97,213)	(76,495)
Net change in total OPEB liability	38,085	38,352	(40,468)	(131,060)
Total OPEB liability beginning of year	846,288	807,936	848,404	979,464
Total OPEB liability end of year	\$ 884,373	846,288	807,936	848,404
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 11,603,843	10,849,987	10,878,347	9,613,448
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	7.6%	7.8%	7.4%	8.8%

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

2021	2020	2019	2018
88,776	51,073	45,926	44,420
25,216	22,500	21,823	22,483
11,825	212,157	19,701	(70,058)
31,166	35,093	14,046	(33,314)
(72,957)	(30,438)	(28,522)	(29,854)
84,026	290,385	72,974	(66,323)
895,438	605,053	532,079	598,402
979,464	895,438	605,053	532,079
10,276,284	9,397,773	10,129,122	9,204,083
9.5%	9.5%	6.0%	5.8%

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information – OPEB Liability

Year ended June 30, 2025

Changes in benefit terms:

There were no significant changes in benefit terms.

Changes in assumptions:

The 2023 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a new actuarial opinion dated June 30, 2023:

- Changed mortality assumptions to the SOA Pub-2010 General Headcount Weighted Mortality Table fully generational using Scale MP-2021.

Changes in assumptions and other inputs reflect the effects of changes in the discount rate each period. The following are the discount rates used in each period.

Year ended June 30, 2025	5.20%
Year ended June 30, 2024	4.21%
Year ended June 30, 2023	4.13%
Year ended June 30, 2022	4.09%
Year ended June 30, 2021	2.19%
Year ended June 30, 2020	2.66%
Year ended June 30, 2019	3.51%
Year ended June 30, 2018	3.87%
Year ended June 30, 2017	3.58%

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

Supplementary Information

Jasper County
Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Governmental Funds

June 30, 2025

	County Recorder's Records Management	Resource Enhancement and Protection	Special Local Option Sales and Services Tax
Assets			
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments	\$ 40,950	152,634	2,115,845
Receivables:			
Tax increment financing:			
Delinquent	-	-	-
Succeeding year	-	-	-
Opioid settlement	-	-	-
Due from other governments	-	-	218,976
Total assets	\$ 40,950	152,634	2,334,821
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	-	2,313	-
Deferred inflows of resources:			
Unavailable revenues:			
Succeeding year tax increment financing	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	-	-	-
Fund balances:			
Nonspendable - Permanent Fund	-	-	-
Restricted for:			
Local option sales and services tax purposes	-	-	2,334,821
Debt service	-	-	-
Opioid abatement	-	-	-
Other purposes	40,950	150,321	-
	40,950	150,321	2,334,821
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 40,950	152,634	2,334,821

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Revenue					
Drainage Districts	Tax Increment Financing	Local Government Opioid Abatement	Other	Permanent Loskot Trust	Total
57,884	688,509	171,432	261,554	17,662	3,506,470
-	75	-	-	-	75
-	444,000	-	-	-	444,000
-	-	1,644,153	-	-	1,644,153
-	-	-	52,183	-	271,159
57,884	1,132,584	1,815,585	313,737	17,662	5,865,857
-	-	-	-	-	2,313
-	444,000	-	-	-	444,000
-	75	1,520,755	-	-	1,520,830
-	444,075	1,520,755	-	-	1,964,830
-	-	-	-	12,000	12,000
-	-	-	-	-	2,334,821
-	688,509	-	-	-	688,509
-	-	294,830	-	-	294,830
57,884	-	-	313,737	5,662	568,554
57,884	688,509	294,830	313,737	17,662	3,898,714
57,884	1,132,584	1,815,585	313,737	17,662	5,865,857

Jasper County

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances
Nonmajor Governmental Funds

Year ended June 30, 2025

	County Recorder's Records Management	Resource Enhancement and Protection	Local Option Sales and Services Tax	Special
Revenues:				
Tax increment financing	\$ -	-	-	
Local option sales and services tax	-	-	2,135,677	
Intergovernmental	-	7,588	-	
Charges for service	6,600	-	-	
Use of money and property	924	4,626	-	
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	
Total revenues	<u>7,524</u>	<u>12,214</u>	<u>2,135,677</u>	
Expenditures:				
Operating:				
Public safety and legal services	-	-	-	
Physical health and social services	-	-	-	
County environment and education	-	-	-	
Government services to residents	685	-	-	
Administration	-	-	-	
Capital projects	-	24,467	-	
Total expenditures	<u>685</u>	<u>24,467</u>	<u>-</u>	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	6,839	(12,253)	2,135,677	
Other financing uses:				
Transfers out	-	-	(2,123,084)	
Change in fund balances	<u>6,839</u>	<u>(12,253)</u>	<u>12,593</u>	
Fund balances beginning of year, as previously presented	34,111	162,574	2,322,228	
Change within financial reporting entity (major to nonmajor fund)	-	-	-	
Fund balances beginning of year	<u>34,111</u>	<u>162,574</u>	<u>2,322,228</u>	
Fund balances end of year	<u>\$ 40,950</u>	<u>150,321</u>	<u>2,334,821</u>	

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Revenue						
Drainage Districts	Tax Increment Financing	Local Government Opioid Abatement	Other	Permanent Loskot Trust	Total	
-	458,780	-	-	-	458,780	
-	-	-	-	-	2,135,677	
-	-	-	79,269	-	86,857	
-	-	-	-	-	6,600	
-	-	4,660	3,007	534	13,751	
-	-	182,140	43,216	-	225,356	
-	458,780	186,800	125,492	534	2,927,021	
-	-	-	9,407	-	9,407	
-	-	284,000	-	-	284,000	
-	17,246	-	-	-	17,246	
-	-	-	-	-	685	
-	-	-	32,649	-	32,649	
-	-	-	-	-	24,467	
-	17,246	284,000	42,056	-	368,454	
-	441,534	(97,200)	83,436	534	2,558,567	
-	(453,015)	-	(242,249)	-	(2,818,348)	
-	(11,481)	(97,200)	(158,813)	534	(259,781)	
57,884	699,990	392,030	239,127	17,128	3,925,072	
-	-	-	233,423	-	233,423	
57,884	699,990	392,030	472,550	17,128	4,158,495	
57,884	688,509	294,830	313,737	17,662	3,898,714	

Jasper County
Combining Schedule of Fiduciary Net Position
Custodial Funds

June 30, 2025

	County Offices	Agricultural Extension Education	County Assessor	Schools
Assets				
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments:				
County Treasurer	\$ -	2,366	252,521	244,508
Other County officials	99,129	-	-	-
Receivables:				
Property tax:				
Delinquent	-	465	861	47,651
Succeeding year	-	328,000	605,000	33,342,000
Accounts	-	-	-	-
Special assessments	-	-	-	-
Due from other governments	-	-	-	-
Total assets	99,129	330,831	858,382	33,634,159
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	-	-	957	-
Salaries and benefits payable	-	-	17,121	-
Due to other governments	60,166	2,366	-	244,508
Trusts payable	38,963	-	-	-
Compensated absences	-	-	46,068	-
Total liabilities	99,129	2,366	64,146	244,508
Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Unavailable revenues	-	328,000	605,000	33,342,000
Net Position				
Restricted for individuals, organizations and other governments	\$ -	465	189,236	47,651

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Community Colleges	Corporations	Townships	City Special Assessments	Auto License and Use Tax	Other	Total
12,847	183,472	4,329	15,186	1,626,487	835,598	3,177,314
-	-	-	-	-	-	99,129
2,266	14,741	1,504	-	-	170	67,658
1,789,000	13,886,000	700,000	-	-	4,085,000	54,735,000
-	-	-	-	-	13,203	13,203
-	-	-	168,447	-	-	168,447
-	-	-	-	-	256,009	256,009
1,804,113	14,084,213	705,833	183,633	1,626,487	5,189,980	58,516,760
-	-	-	-	-	23,228	24,185
-	-	-	-	-	8,954	26,075
12,847	183,472	4,329	39,406	1,626,487	182,178	2,355,759
-	-	-	-	-	355	39,318
-	-	-	-	-	19,896	65,964
12,847	183,472	4,329	39,406	1,626,487	234,611	2,511,301
1,789,000	13,886,000	700,000	-	-	4,085,000	54,735,000
2,266	14,741	1,504	144,227	-	870,369	1,270,459

Jasper County
Combining Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Custodial Funds

Year ended June 30, 2025

	County Offices	Agricultural Extension Education	County Assessor	Schools
Additions:				
Property and other county tax	\$ -	321,967	596,073	32,465,071
911 surcharge	-	-	-	-
State tax credits	-	19,847	35,842	1,787,950
Driver's license fees	-	-	-	-
Office fees and collections	1,681,567	-	-	-
Auto licenses, use tax and postage	-	-	-	-
Assessments	-	-	-	-
Trusts	1,837,905	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-
Total additions	<u>3,519,472</u>	<u>341,814</u>	<u>631,915</u>	<u>34,253,021</u>
Deductions:				
Agency remittances:				
To other funds	1,133,520	-	-	-
To other governments	772,800	341,887	630,766	34,259,514
Trusts paid out	1,613,152	-	-	-
Total deductions	<u>3,519,472</u>	<u>341,887</u>	<u>630,766</u>	<u>34,259,514</u>
Changes in net position	-	(73)	1,149	(6,493)
Net position beginning of year	-	538	188,087	54,144
Net position end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>465</u>	<u>189,236</u>	<u>47,651</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Community Colleges	Corporations	Townships	City Special Assessments	Auto License and Use Tax	Other	Total
1,709,248	13,383,912	679,081	-	-	4,898,585	54,053,937
-	-	-	-	-	491,860	491,860
92,088	1,218,476	27,737	-	-	149,994	3,331,934
-	-	-	-	323,228	-	323,228
-	-	-	-	-	6,521	1,688,088
-	-	-	-	16,323,954	-	16,323,954
-	-	-	184,883	-	-	184,883
-	-	-	-	-	384,175	2,222,080
-	-	-	-	-	276,835	276,835
1,801,336	14,602,388	706,818	184,883	16,647,182	6,207,970	78,896,799
-	-	-	-	686,128	-	1,819,648
1,801,586	14,605,626	707,335	149,267	15,961,054	6,158,586	75,388,421
-	-	-	-	-	-	1,613,152
1,801,586	14,605,626	707,335	149,267	16,647,182	6,158,586	78,821,221
(250)	(3,238)	(517)	35,616	-	49,384	75,578
2,516	17,979	2,021	108,611	-	820,985	1,194,881
2,266	14,741	1,504	144,227	-	870,369	1,270,459

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Schedule of Revenues By Source and Expenditures By Function –
All Governmental Funds

For the Last Ten Years

	2025	2024	2023	2022
Revenues:				
Property and other county tax	\$ 17,117,554	16,770,741	16,042,437	16,014,273
Tax increment financing	458,780	445,352	472,139	443,436
Local option sales and services tax	2,135,677	2,168,416	1,833,528	2,056,959
Penalty and interest on property tax	96,231	84,276	91,605	80,342
Intergovernmental	10,116,045	12,873,883	11,243,461	10,527,089
Licenses and permits	250,946	235,700	228,210	259,360
Charges for service	1,731,448	1,402,123	1,459,727	1,499,063
Use of money and property	1,239,278	1,361,230	675,021	263,659
Miscellaneous	2,618,318	2,695,723	1,236,817	788,502
Total	\$ 35,764,277	38,037,444	33,282,945	31,932,683
Expenditures:				
Operating:				
Public safety and legal services	\$ 9,432,683	8,494,094	11,150,581	8,296,833
Physical health and social services	2,340,523	2,059,213	2,090,461	1,971,353
Mental health	-	-	-	862,874
County environment and education	2,349,102	9,986,669	1,668,313	1,714,510
Roads and transportation	13,326,946	12,317,747	11,911,998	7,733,139
Governmental services to residents	1,635,354	1,605,992	1,666,531	1,491,076
Administration	4,844,160	4,782,866	3,720,290	3,394,890
Non-program	115,105	95,475	77,818	47,467
Debt service	2,362,497	2,098,944	1,418,952	1,483,021
Capital projects	4,668,799	1,850,941	2,129,131	7,127,214
Total	\$ 41,075,169	43,291,941	35,834,075	34,122,377

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
16,143,458	15,619,491	14,485,365	14,050,570	13,658,014	13,027,674
533,375	543,318	606,351	627,502	690,166	926,595
1,988,005	1,574,586	1,444,268	1,385,206	1,504,695	1,381,665
167,124	35,895	103,409	88,742	87,524	96,676
10,012,189	9,226,423	8,695,232	8,132,345	8,820,774	8,637,330
251,523	255,736	190,560	174,854	197,905	122,709
1,442,574	1,260,023	1,322,241	1,324,020	1,181,791	1,088,179
251,599	340,293	336,780	221,493	170,671	139,867
893,706	1,228,098	736,963	816,624	1,173,665	624,019
31,683,553	30,083,863	27,921,169	26,821,356	27,485,205	26,044,714
7,382,831	7,604,428	6,963,237	7,001,242	5,984,572	5,878,181
1,653,473	1,932,536	1,920,389	1,933,523	1,793,766	1,679,516
970,341	1,327,774	657,061	756,136	931,970	1,025,846
2,003,849	1,623,357	1,555,204	1,451,139	1,454,334	1,410,311
8,789,147	7,879,945	10,780,033	10,779,984	7,274,732	7,442,248
1,328,241	1,313,016	1,268,255	1,212,296	1,399,588	1,487,312
3,915,464	3,332,667	3,131,813	3,314,486	2,697,668	2,668,452
315,908	270,516	129,698	203,000	720,572	85,392
1,539,759	1,390,213	1,591,593	1,854,229	1,714,585	1,643,933
458,448	1,686,356	1,160,242	799,873	1,540,723	670,308
28,357,461	28,360,808	29,157,525	29,305,908	25,512,510	23,991,499



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Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control
over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with
Government Auditing Standards

To the Officials of Jasper County:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Jasper County, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 13, 2026.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Jasper County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Jasper County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Jasper County's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the County's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as items 2025-001 through 2025-003 to be material weaknesses.

A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as item 2025-004 to be a significant deficiency.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Jasper County's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters which are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance or other matters which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the County's operations for the year ended June 30, 2025 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the County. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Jasper County's Responses to Findings

Government Auditing Standards require the auditor to perform limited procedures on Jasper County's responses to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. Jasper County's responses were not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the County's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of Jasper County during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.



Brian R. Brustkern, CPA
Deputy Auditor of State

January 13, 2026

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Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

2025-001 Segregation of Duties

Criteria – Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control. A good system of internal control provides for adequate segregation of duties so no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to completion. In order to maintain proper internal control, duties should be segregated so the authorization, custody and recording of transactions are not under the control of the same employee. This segregation of duties helps prevent losses from employee error or dishonesty and maximizes the accuracy of the County’s financial statements.

Condition – Generally, one or two individuals in the offices identified may have control over the following areas for which no compensating controls exist:

	Applicable Offices
(1) All incoming mail is opened by an employee who is also authorized to make entries to the accounting records.	Sheriff (Civil), Recorder, Community Development, Conservation, General Assistance and Elderly Nutrition
(2) Generally, one individual may have control over collecting, depositing, posting, maintaining receivable records and daily reconciling of receipts for which no compensating controls exist. In offices with an independent mail opener, that person does not compare an initial listing of receipts to the accounting records.	Treasurer, Sheriff (Civil, EMS, and Jail), Engineer, Recorder, General Assistance, Health, Community Development, Conservation, Elderly Nutrition, Emergency Management and 911
(3) Bank accounts were not reconciled by an individual who does not sign checks, handle or record cash.	Treasurer, Recorder and Elderly Nutrition
(4) Bank reconciliations were not reviewed periodically by an independent person for propriety.	Recorder and Elderly Nutrition
(5) The person who signs checks is not independent of the person preparing the checks, approving disbursements and recording cash disbursements.	Recorder

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| (6) Daily cash reconciliations prepared in the Recorder's Office are not reviewed and approved by an independent person for propriety. | Recorder |
| (7) All individuals in tax, motor vehicle and driver's license have the ability to void receipts in Eden/Arts (DOT system), including individuals who perform daily balancing. | Treasurer |
| (8) All individuals in the County Recorder's Office have the ability to void receipts, including individuals who perform daily balancing. The Recorder's Office does maintain a voided receipts report, but it is not reviewed by an independent person. | Recorder |

Cause – The County offices noted above have a limited number of employees and procedures have not been designed to adequately segregate duties or provide compensating controls through additional oversight of transactions and processes.

Effect – Inadequate segregation of duties could adversely affect each County office's ability to prevent or detect and correct misstatements, errors or misappropriation on a timely basis by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Recommendation – Each official should review the control activities of their office to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances. The official should utilize current personnel, including elected officials and personnel from other County offices, to provide additional control through review of financial transactions, reconciliations and reports. Such reviews should be performed by independent persons and should be documented by the signature or initials of the reviewer and the date of the review.

Responses –

Treasurer – The Treasurer's Office will be coordinating with the Auditor's Office in order to have a neutral, third party verify our investments and bank reconciliations from this point forward.

Sheriff – As we have discussed previously, we have limited staff. We separate the duties as far as we can to include an independent person (not involved in receipting, writing, signing or reconciling), reviewing the bank statements, checks and reconciliations.

Recorder – Due to office size, it is difficult to achieve the recommendations.

Engineer – We have one person opening mail and recording money received in a log. A separate person prepares the deposit and then provides the checks to the Treasurer's office in a sealed envelope. This person reconciles the receivables at the beginning of each month for the previous month. The Engineer reviews and signs off on the log as well as the reconciliation.

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General Assistance – A new employee has been hired and will be trained and integrated into the accounting system, which will allow for segregation of those duties. Options are limited with only one and a half employees in this department.

Health – The Jasper County Board of Health/Public Health strives to have checks and balances with a department with three people. We also have a subcontract with Jasper County for Environmental Health which we have very little financial involvement except for the private well-grant application. In the public health department, we do not have fee for services, nor do we collect cash, checks, debit/credits. We divide duties by having one-person bill grants, one person opens the limited incoming mail, one person does deposits (which is rare) due to the new direct deposits. We also audit internally to ensure that supporting documentation for all grant claims is in our SharePoint system. For the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) grant it is through Polk County and is checked by the PHEP regional coordinator and the Polk County Deputy Health Director. The claims are then sent to Iowa Health and Human Services for another quality check. We also have internal quality checks for budgets, deposits, claims, and grant billing. We utilize the Treasurer's Office for direct deposits and deposit verifications with a cross check with Iowa Grants. The Jasper County Auditor's office processes and is the triple check for all claims and payroll.

Community Development – The Department will develop a procedure to segregate financial duties to the maximum extent possible.

Conservation – Segregation of duties is difficult based upon small staff numbers. We do our best to segregate as much as possible.

Elderly Nutrition – Due to staff limitations it is difficult to segregate duties. We will make the best effort possible and explore ways to improve.

Emergency Management – The monthly detail expenditures and revenues reports are reviewed by the EMA Director and reconciled by the Program Manager. A prenumbered receipt book is used for cash receipts only. The only cash received by the EMA office since November 2010 was received on December 3, 2024. At that time, a pre-numbered receipt book was used for the cash received. All other receipts are directly deposited by the Treasurer's Office which supplies receipts to EMA. The Program Manager verifies the deposit has been corrected applied to the EMA revenue account number provided to the treasurer. Checks received are recorded on the Checks Register Form, stamped: For deposit only Jasper County Emergency Management Agency, and a signature by a second individual other than the person making the deposit is recorded on the form. The date the check was received is the accompanying number for verification.

911 – With the limited staff in the 911 Center, we will continue to look for ways to improve and segregate duties.

Conclusions – Responses acknowledged. All offices should continue to review current operating procedures for the areas noted to obtain the maximum internal control possible. The officials should utilize current personnel to provide additional control through review of financial transactions, reconciliations and reports.

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2025-002 Financial Reporting

Criteria – A deficiency in internal control over financial reporting exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements of the financial statements on a timely basis. Properly designed policies and procedures and implementation of the policies and procedures are an integral part of ensuring the reliability and accuracy of the County’s financial statements.

Condition – Material amounts of receivables, payables, and capital assets were not properly recorded in the County’s financial statements. Adjustments were subsequently made by the County to properly include and classify these amounts in the financial statements.

Cause – County policies do not require, and procedures have not been established to require independent review of year end cut-off transactions and to ensure the County’s financial statements are accurate and reliable.

Effect – Lack of policies and procedures resulted in County employees not detecting the errors in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. As a result, material adjustments to the County’s financial statements were necessary.

Recommendation – The County should establish procedures to ensure all accounts receivable, accounts payable, and capital assets are identified and properly reported in the County’s financial statements. Also, the County should review the standard Chart of Accounts to determine the correct fund types are being utilized.

Response – The County will establish procedures to ensure all accounts receivables, payables and capital assets are identified and property reported in the County’s financial statements.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

2025-003 Engineer Infrastructure

Criteria – A deficiency in internal controls over financial reporting exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned function, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements of the financial statements on a timely basis. Properly designed policies and procedures and implementation of the policies and procedures are an integral part of ensuring the reliability and accuracy of the County’s financial statements.

Condition – Material amounts of infrastructure additions were not properly recorded in the County’s financial statements. Adjustments were subsequently made by the County to properly include and classify these amounts in the financial statements.

Cause – County policies do not require, and procedures have not been established to required independent review of infrastructure additions to ensure the County’s financial statements are accurate and reliable.

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Effect – Lack of policies and procedures resulted in County employees not detecting the errors in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. As a result, material adjustments to the County’s financial statements were necessary.

Recommendation – The County should establish procedures to ensure all infrastructure additions are identified and properly reported in the County’s financial statements.

Response – The Engineer will review the annual report in comparison to the budget report as well as the five-year program to ensure all items are correctly reported.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

2025-004 Lack of Receipt Book – Emergency Management

Criteria – Internal controls over safeguarding assets constitute a process, effected by an entity’s governing body, management and other personnel designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized transactions and safeguarding assets from error or misappropriation. Such processes include establishing polices regarding initial transaction recording.

Condition – Receipts for emergency management were only generated for cash receipts.

Cause – Policies and procedures have not been implemented to require prenumbered receipts for all collections.

Effect – A lack of issuing prenumbered receipts for all collections can result in unrecorded transactions, undetected errors and opportunity for misappropriation.

Recommendation – Prenumbered receipts should be issued for all collections.

Response – The monthly detail expenditures and revenues reports are reviewed by the EMA Director and reconciled by the Program Manager. A prenumbered receipt book is used for cash receipts only. The only cash received by the EMA office since November 2010 was received on December 3, 2024. At that time, a pre-numbered receipt book was used for the cash received. All other receipts are directly deposited by the Treasurer’s Office which supplies receipts to EMA. The Program Manager verifies the deposit has been corrected applied to the EMA revenue account number provided to the treasurer. Checks received are recorded on the Checks Register Form, stamped: For deposit only Jasper County Emergency Management Agency, and a signature by a second individual other than the person making the deposit is recorded on the form. The date the check was received is the accompanying number for verification.

Conclusion – Response acknowledged. Prenumbered receipts should be issued for all collections.

INSTANCES OF NONCOMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

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Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

2025-A Certified Budget – Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2025 did not exceed amounts budgeted.

2025-B Questionable Expenditures – In accordance with Article III, Section 31 of the Iowa Constitution and an Attorney General’s opinion dated April 25, 1979, public funds may only be spent for public benefit. No expenditures were noted which we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in the Attorney General’s opinion.

2025-C Travel Expense – No expenditures of County money for travel expenses of spouses of County officials or employees were noted.

2025-D Business Transactions – Business transactions between the County and County officials or employees are detailed as follows:

<u>Name, Title and Business Connection</u>	<u>Transaction Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Doug Cupples, Board of Supervisors, Owner of DC Sports, Inc	Maintenance apparel/ printing on uniforms	\$ 2,383

In accordance with Chapter 331.342(2)(j) of the Code of Iowa, the transactions with DC Sports, Inc do not appear to represent a conflict of interest since the total transactions did not exceed \$6,000 during the fiscal year.

2025-E Restricted Donor Activity – No transactions were noted between the County, County officials or County employees and restricted donors in compliance with Chapter 68B of the Code of Iowa.

2025-F Bond Coverage – Surety bond coverage of County officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to ensure the coverage is adequate for current operations.

2025-G Board Minutes – No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Board minutes but were not.

2025-H Deposits and Investments – No instances of noncompliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapters 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the County’s investment policy were noted.

2025-I Resource Enhancement and Protection Certification – The County properly dedicated property tax revenue to conservation purposes as required by Chapter 455A.19(1)(b) of the Code of Iowa in order to receive the additional REAP funds allocated in accordance with subsections (b)(2) and (b)(3).

2025-J Tax Increment Financing (TIF) – Payments from the Special Revenue, Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Fund properly included only payments for TIF loans and rebates. Also, Jasper County properly completed the Tax Increment Debt Forms 1, 2 or 3, as appropriate, to certify TIF obligations (debt), to decertify TIF debt or to request a reduced distribution of TIF.

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2025-K Annual Urban Renewal Report (AURR) – The Annual Urban Renewal Report was properly approved and certified to the Iowa Department of Management on or before December 1. However, beginning and ending cash balances did not reconcile to the County records.

Recommendation – The County should ensure Annual Urban Renewal report is approved timely and that the amounts reported on the Levy Authority Summary agree with the County’s records.

Response – The County will carefully look at all figures being reported and make sure they are matching with the County system as well as starting with the correct beginning balance.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

2025-L DOT Annual Report – The County missed multiple local project expenditures on their annual DOT report.

Recommendation – The County should ensure the annual DOT report is prepared timely and that the amounts reported on the report agree with the County’s records.

Response – The Engineer will review the annual report in comparison to the budget report as well as the five-year program to ensure all items are correctly reported.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

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