

SOUTHWEST IOWA PLANNING COUNCIL

SWIPCO Policy Council Special Meeting

September 25, 2025, 1:30 p.m.
via Zoom

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order.** Chair Green called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.
2. **Roll Call.** SWIPCO Board Members Present: Fran Branan, Richard Crouch, Grace Garrett, Steve Green, Ross Hastert, AJ Lyman, Todd Maher, Susan Miller, Charlie Parkhurst, Jeff Shearer, Susan Shepherd, Tony Smith. SWIPCO Staff Present: John McCurdy, Mark Lander, Chris Parks.
3. **Discuss/Approve Agenda.** Parkhurst moved to approve the agenda. Crouch seconded. The motion carried with all ayes.
4. **Discuss/Approve a resolution authorizing SWIPCO to apply for a \$100,000 grant toward expanding transit service for transportation in support of medical appointments and other health related trips.** Lander discussed an application for State Transit Assistance funds to supplement a pilot program for medical transportation in Pottawattamie and Mills Counties. Methodist Jennie Edmundson and CHI Health will be tentpoles of the pilot but will include other medical trips. Garrett asked about transportation now between hospitals and Lander said those trips can happen for non-ambulatory passengers if capacity is available. McCurdy explained that this will serve both rural and urban residents to bridge transportation gaps to regular appointments. Parkhurst moved to approve the resolution. Miller seconded. The motion carried with all ayes.
5. **Public Comment Period.** None.
6. **Adjourn.** Parkhurst moved to adjourn. Hastert seconded. The motion carried with all ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m.