

MAPA COUNCIL OF OFFICIALS



Council of Official Quarterly Meeting & Workshop

Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2026

Time: Lunch + Business Mtg 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM | Workshop 1:10 PM - 3:00 PM

Location: The Arts Center at Iowa Western | 2700 College Rd, Council Bluffs, IA 51503

AGENDA

- 11:30 AM **Registration & Lunch**
- 11:50 AM **Call to Order & Welcome** – President Steve Dethlefs, Council of Officials President, MAPA
1. **Welcome to Pottawattamie County** – Supervisor Brian Shea, Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors
 2. **Welcome to Council Bluffs** – Mayor Jill Shudak, City of Council Bluffs
 3. **Welcome to Iowa Western Community College** – Kattie Lewis, Director - Southwest IA Technical Career Hub (SWITCH)
- 12:05 PM **Business Items (Action)** – President Steve Dethlefs
1. Approval of December 10, 2025 Meeting Minutes
- 12:10 PM **Executive Director's Report (Information)** – Mike Helgerson, MAPA Executive Director
- 12:25 PM **Lunch Keynote** – Featuring a panel of local leaders about the energy landscape in the MAPA region, local government policies, and resources for decision makers at the local level.
- 1:00 PM **Adjourn Council of Officials Meeting**
- 1:10 PM **ISU Extension Workshop** – Join us after the Council of Officials business meeting for a workshop with ISU Extension Office, who is currently leading the Reliable Energy Siting through Technical Engagement and Planning (R-STEP™) project. R-STEP is a DOE-funded project that includes a number of partners putting together toolkits and strategies to support local government decision-making in Iowa.
- 2:15 PM **10 MIN BREAK**
- 2:45 PM **Debrief & Closing**