

IOWA NORTHLAND REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Quarterly Meeting Minutes of the Board of Directors
July 16th, 2026 • 10:30 A.M. • INRCOG Board Room/Microsoft Teams

1. The quarterly meeting of the Iowa Northland Regional Economic Development Commission (INREDC) Board of Directors was called to order at 10:30 A.M. The meeting agenda was posted for use by members and the general public.

Commission members present: Lisa Kremer, Buchanan County Economic Dev Corps; Keith Wieland, Buchanan County; Drew Conrad, IDM; Lynda Laylin, Black Hawk County; Bob Brunkhorst, Bremer County; Others present, Isaiah Corbin, INRCOG

2. A quorum was not present.
3. Corbin provided an update on the RLF. Since the last meeting, no applications have been received. The Center in Reinbeck recently paid off the entirety of their loan. Currently have \$106,774 available to lend.
4. Corbin provided an update in the CEDS including discussing the timeline for the update which is set to begin in the Winter of 2026.
5. Corbin provided an update on the planning grant. Corbin submitted the planning grant request to EDA in February, and we are currently waiting for the official award to be dispersed.
6. The group provided other additional updates. Corbin discussed the recent EDA application for Waterloo's Warp Drive infrastructure improvements. Brunkhorst discussed the recent update to their Comprehensive Plan. Weiland discussed Buchanan County's Comprehensive Plan. Laylin discussed the ARPA projects, Hazard Mitigation Plan, and change of leadership at the County level; Kremer updated the group on a recent WARN notice as well as Pries receiving a BIG grant creating 43 jobs. She also noted other businesses looking to expand. Conrad discussed the Cedar Falls Housing Needs Assessment, the Iowa Waste Reduction Center's support of businesses looking to increase efficiency, and the National Science Foundation's AI Ready grant to help prepare the state for training and workforce utilization of AI.
7. The meeting schedule for 2026 was reviewed. (3rd Thursdays, 10:30 a.m., INRCOG Board Room).
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8. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Isaiah Corbin, Acting Secretary