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## FISCAL UPDATE Article

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### IOWA PUBLIC INFORMATION BOARD MEETING — NOVEMBER 2023

**Meeting.** The Iowa Public Information Board met on November 16, 2023, at the Wallace State Office Building in Des Moines.

The Board took the following actions:

- **Accepted Cases.** The Board accepted a total of four complaint allegations. A complaint against the McCallsburg City Council was accepted due to a failure to provide an agenda. Complaint allegations against the Redfield Public Library for violating open meeting laws were consolidated and accepted by the Board. A complaint against the Eddyville Blakesburg Fremont Community School District Board for failure to properly provide an agenda was accepted by the Board. All accepted complaints were due to a violation of Iowa Code chapter [21](#).
- **Dismissed Cases.** The Board dismissed a total of six complaint allegations. The Board found that the dismissed cases were legally insufficient, lacked merit, or were already successfully resolved.
- **Tabled Cases.** The Board tabled one complaint for further review at a future Board meeting. The case was tabled to consult the Attorney General's Office for further review.
- **Accepted Informal Resolution Report.** The Board accepted two informal resolution report cases. The first complaint was filed against the mayor of the city of Sidney for not complying with a records request in regard to Iowa Code chapter [22](#). As part of the informal resolution, acknowledgment of the mayor's conduct and refusal to comply will be included in the minutes of an open meeting, the city will conduct open meetings and public records training, and the city will conduct a review of record retention policies. The second complaint was filed against the Scott County Board of Review for failing to comply with the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 21. The complaint was due to meeting minutes not reflecting the vote of the Board and for failure to conduct the meetings openly. As part of the informal resolution, the Scott County Board of Review agreed to establish policies or procedures to ensure that the Board of Review's minutes and meetings follow Iowa Code chapter 21.

**Next Board Meeting.** The Board's next meeting will be held on December 21, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at the Wallace State Office Building in Des Moines.

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