

**Board of Supervisors Minutes
December 19, 2022**

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. December 19, 2022. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Larry Vest; 2nd District Supervisor, Bill Faircloth and 3rd District Supervisor, Dan Anderson.

8:30 – 9:00 Employee/Department Head Time

9:00-9:30 Public Comment Time The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Supervisors Vest, Faircloth, Anderson. Tama County Auditor Laura Kopsa, several members of the Tama County Against Wind Turbines Coalition. Deputy Sheriff Quandt was also present. Jon Winkelpleck spoke on behalf of the group. He shared that they remain strong and committed to share and educate with the facts. He commended the zoning board on their work to revise the wind ordinance and solar ordinance and asked the supervisors to listen to and take action on any revisions the zoning board recommends. They are looking forward to working with the new supervisor coming on in January. Jim Smith shared that the turbines are getting bigger and aren't even running all the time. They are only producing fifty percent of what they could be. The group shared a hunting app available on cell phones that lists who owns a property. If there is a contract on a property for a turbine it lists the wind company as the owner/person to get permission from to hunt. Al Schafbuch state that the wind companies say they want to be good neighbors, if so the why do we even need ordinances? If they truly want to be good neighbors we wouldn't need to be doing this. There was discussion of possibly putting this issue up for a vote but can't because it is a state regulation. The group want the supervisors to do their job and protect the taxpayers of Tama County.

The detailed notes are available in the County Auditor's office.

Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to approve the minutes of the December 12th regular meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Vest to approve the Tama County Use of Global Positioning System (GPS) on County Vehicles Policy as presented by the HR/Insurance Administrator last week. All voted aye. Motion carried. There were comments afterward in reference to having all county owned vehicles including the engineer's and the public health nurses cars fit with GPS also. A copy of the policy is available in the Auditor's office.

Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to change next week's meeting to **Tuesday December 27th** due to the Christmas holiday. All voted aye. Motion carried.

There was discussion about the County's current mileage rate which is .525. Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Vest to set the County mileage rate to .55 cents effective January 1, 2023. All voted aye. Motion carried.

At 10:00 the Board held a public hearing for a budget amendment for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year. The Board reviewed the amendment. Public comments were addressed and answered. The hearing ended at 10:14. Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Vest to approve the following resolution to amend the 2022-2023 county budget expenditures as published:

RESOLUTION 12-19-2022A

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tama County Board of Supervisors hereby approves an amendment to the 2022-2023 County Budget expenditures as follows:

- Mental Health \$1,782.00 – Ending fund balance on June 30, 2022 to close out mental health fund
- County Environment & Education \$15,285.00 – Increased payroll costs for Zoning due to ongoing lawsuits
- Roads & Transportation \$3,000,000.00 – Replace county shed due to derecho damage
- Administration \$82,000 – Increased legal fees, and HR training costs
- Non-program Current \$2,681,015.00 – 911 Communications tower project

Total amendment \$5,780,082.00. Of this amount \$1,500,000.00 will be reimbursed by insurance for the county shed. The difference is \$4,280,082.00 which is covered by reserves and bond money already received.

Roll call vote: Vest, aye. Faircloth, aye. Anderson, aye. Resolution passed and approved this 19th day of December, 2022. Dan Anderson, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Laura Kopsa, Tama County Auditor.

Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to approve the following resolution to appropriate the funds for the 2022-2023 county budget expenditures as amended:

RESOLUTION 12-19-2022B

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing amendment is appropriated to department budgets as follows:

Board of Supervisors	(01)	\$75,000.00	Increased legal fees
Human Resources	(08)	\$7,000.00	Additional training
Zoning	(10)	\$15,285.00	Increased payroll costs
Secondary Roads	(20)	\$3,000,000.00	Replace county shed
Mental Health	(60)	\$1,782.00	Close ending fund balance
Non-departmental	(99)	\$2,681,015.00	911 Communications Project
TOTAL		\$5,780,082.00	Net change

Roll call vote: Vest, aye. Faircloth, aye. Anderson, aye. Resolution passed and approved this 19th day of December, 2022. Dan Anderson, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Laura Kopsa, Tama County Auditor.

Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to approve the claims for payment as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Anderson adjourned the meeting at 10:17 a.m.