

Board of Supervisors Minutes
June 17, 2024

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. June 17, 2024. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 2nd District Supervisor, Bill Faircloth and 3rd District Supervisor, Dan Anderson. Also, Tama County Auditor Laura Kopsa, Assistant Auditor Karen Rohrs, members of the public and Deputy Sheriffs Schmidt and Killian.

At 8:30 the meeting was called to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Anderson to approve the agenda. Hilmer: Aye, Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: There were comments on the Zoning/Weed position and possibly combining one or both of those positions with the Sanitarian position to save the County money. Comments on Ordinance #V.14 Public Meeting Rules on providing seating at meetings and the proposed start time.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to approve the minutes of the June 10th regular meeting and the June 11th special meeting to canvas the election results. Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board met with Ben Daleske, Tama County Engineer, to get a road projects report.

Tammy Wise, Human Resources reminded the Supervisors to look over the revised employee handbook so it can be put on the agenda at a future date. There was a discussion on the appointment of a new Zoning/Weed Administrator position due to the resignation of the current one. The Human Resources Director was asked to conduct interviews with candidates, the current administrator and a member of the Board of Supervisors. It was clarified that all three Supervisors were included in this prior discussion. The position will remain open until June 30th, the deadline stated in the position posting, with an appointment to the position in July.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to approve the claims for payment as presented. Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Laura Kopsa, County Auditor, asked the Supervisors to consider raising the compensation rate of township trustees and clerks from \$15 per meeting to \$25 per meeting. The rate has been at \$15 for many, many years. The average amount of meeting each year is usually 3, if there is a fence viewing there could be more. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 6-17-2024

TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE AND CLERK COMPENSATION

WHEREAS, the Tama County Board of Supervisors currently authorizes that all Township Trustees and Clerks be compensated at the rate of \$15.00 per meeting, and

WHEREAS, the Board has not given any increase in the compensation of Township Trustees and Clerks for many years, and given that there are at least three (3) required meetings per year, more if there are fence viewing disputes, and

WHEREAS, the Board of supervisors now wishes to set a level of compensation and expectations as to the number of compensated meetings per fiscal year for the Township Trustees and Clerks.

NOW, THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tama County Board of Supervisors authorizes compensation for required meetings of the Township Trustees and Clerks at \$25.00 per meeting.

Approved this 17th day of June, 2024.

Roll call vote: Hilmer, aye. Faircloth, aye. Anderson, aye. Resolution passed and approved this 17th day of June, 2024. Curt Hilmer, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Laura Kopsa, Tama County Auditor.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Anderson to approve a request to use the courthouse lawn for July 15-19 for the kids attending theatre camp by the Wieting Theatre Guild to use for their lunch time. There will be approximately 45 students and 5 adults. Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye.

Anderson: Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Anderson to set Drainage District #1 levy rate this year for 24%. This will raise \$3,596.80 for that fund. Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. Motion carried.

The Supervisors met with Julie Scadden, and members of the Tama County EMS Board. They submitted a list of citizens for the EMS Advisory Council. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to approve the following appointments to the Tama County EMS Advisory Council:

Julie Scadden-Tama County EMS Association

Billie Van Egmond-Dysart EMS

Greg Johnson-Toledo EMS

Jeremy Cremeans-911 Director

Ryan Goodenbour-EMA

Shannon Zoffka-County Public Health

Jimmy Hicklin-Tama EMS

Shawn Kennedy-Traer EMS

Alicia Lidtke-Elberon EMS

Todd Banes-alternate for Elberon

Kern Kemp-Gladbrook EMS

Kathy Vavroch-alternate for Gladbrook

Sharon Knoop-Clutier 1st Responders

Sherry Parks-Garwin EMS

Ken Tanner-citizen

Dr. Hineman-citizen

There is no representative from Montour at this time.

Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. Motion carried.

Bruce Rhodes was present to ask the Supervisors to reassign Tax Certificate # 10-0225. The current amount owed is \$413.00. \$84.00 of that is actual taxes, the rest is for interest and miscellaneous fees. Rhodes would like to offer \$84.00, the amount of the taxes, on Certificate #10-0225.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Anderson to assign Tax Sale Certificate #10-0225 to Bruce Rhodes for \$84.00. Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Anderson to go into recess until the public hearing scheduled for 9:30 this morning. Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. Motion carried.

At 9:30 the Supervisors went back into session.

At 9:30 the Supervisors held a public hearing regarding reclassifying a portion of P Avenue from Class B to Class C. This will entail a gate and restricted access. This was requested by an adjoining landowner. Comments: There was discussion about who would have access to the gate and key if approved. Also that this was requested by the adjoining landowner(s). The location was also clarified along with liability if someone is hurt on this road. Chairman Hilmer closed the hearing at 9:39 am. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to approve the following resolution to reclassify a portion of P Avenue:

RESOLUTION 6-17-2024B

WHEREAS, Tama County desires to classify certain roads on the Area Service System in the County to provide for a minimal level of maintenance and to restrict access by means of a gate or barrier, and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors, after consultation with the County Engineer, has the authority to specify certain roads within the County as Area Service 'C' roads pursuant to Iowa Code Section 309.57 and Tama County Ordinance Number 1-2-2008D, and

WHEREAS, the County Engineer has requested to reclassify **a portion of P Avenue starting from 2142 P Ave. and continuing north to the terminus of 200th Street** an Area Service 'C' road, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held at 9:30 am on June 17, 2024, to discuss the reclassification, and

WHEREAS, there were no objections, and

WHEREAS, it is understood that the level of maintenance applied to the road will be as listed in Tama County Ordinance Number 1-8-2008D, and

WHEREAS, the only persons who will have access right to the road shall be;

1. The owner, lessee, or person in lawful possession of any adjoining land.
2. The agent or employee of the owner, lessee or person in lawful possession of any adjoining land.
3. Any peace officer.
4. Any magistrate.
5. Any public employee whose duty it is to supervise the use or perform maintenance of the road.
6. Any agent or employee of any utility located upon the road.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tama County Board of Supervisors that

P Avenue starting from house located at 2142 P Ave. and continuing north to the terminus of 200th Street., all lying in Sections 27, 28, 33 & 34, T85N, R14W (Perry Township)

shall be classified as an Area Service 'C' road, and shall have restricted access and a minimal amount of maintenance.

Approved this 17th day of June, 2024.

Roll call vote: Hilmer, aye. Faircloth, aye. Anderson, aye. Resolution passed and approved this 17th day of June, 2024. Curt Hilmer, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Laura Kopsa, Tama County Auditor.

Chairman Hilmer adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m

Supervisor meetings will start at 8:30 am on Mondays. This will be official after action is taken to possibly amend meeting starting time in Ordinance V.14 Public Meeting Procedural Rules.