

Board of Supervisors Minutes
August 11, 2025

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. August 11, 2025. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 2nd District Supervisor, David Turner; 3rd District Supervisor, Heather Knebel; 4th District Supervisor, Mark Doland and 5th District Supervisor, Curt Kupka. Also, Tama County Auditor, Karen Rohrs, and members of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to approve the agenda. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to approve the minutes of the August 4th regular meeting and August 5th special meeting. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board met with Ben Daleske, Tama County Engineer, to get a road projects report. Daleske also informed the Board that interviews had been held for the open motor grader operator position. He recommends the Board approve hiring Brian Sparks. His start day will be 08/18/25. Motion by Turner, seconded by Knebel to approve hiring Brian Sparks to the open motor grader operator position. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Daleske also presented a Final Plan for bridge replacement project BROS-7692(605)5F-86 on 300th St. for the board to sign. Motion by Turner, seconded by Hilmer to approve the board signing the Final Plan. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Public comment time was held at 8:45 am. Public comments were heard from Karen Murty. Public comment time closed at 8:49 am.

Motion by Knebel, seconded by Turner to approve a temporary liquor license for the Traveling Tapster. This is for a Sip & Shop event being held at the Tama County Market in Chelsea on September 11th & 13th. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to approve moving the board's regular meeting on September 1st to Tuesday, September 2nd at 8:30 am due to the Labor Day Holiday. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Doland stated the board will go into closed session for discussion and possible action per Iowa Code 21.5.1 (c) to discuss a settlement agreement with counsel. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Kupka to go into closed session per Iowa Code 21.5.1 (c). Roll call vote: Hilmer, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Kupka, aye. Turner, aye. The Board went into closed session at 8:52 am. Those present were Supervisors: Curt Hilmer, Heather Knebel, Mark Doland, Curt Kupka, David Turner, and Karen Rohrs, Auditor. Eric Updegraff with Hopkins & Huebner, P.C. joined by phone. Motion by Turner, seconded by Hilmer to go back into open session. The Board came out of closed session at 10:12 am. Roll call vote: Hilmer, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Kupka, aye. Turner,

aye. Those present were Supervisors: Curt Hilmer, Heather Knebel, Mark Doland, Curt Kupka, David Turner, and Karen Rohrs, Auditor.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to direct counsel to send the revised settlement agreement, the old decommissioning plan, and the old road use agreement language to counsel for Salt Creek Wind Phase 2. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to approve setting a public hearing date and time regarding a development agreement with Salt Creek Wind Phase 2 for September 8, 2025 at 9:30 am. Discussion: Knebel would like to see Salt Creek Wind Phase 2 spelled out and not abbreviated as SCW 2 in the notice. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to approve the claims for payment as presented in the amount of \$373,553.78. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Karen Murty. Public comment time closed at 10:21 am.

Chairman Doland adjourned the meeting at 10:21 am.

These minutes are intended to provide a summary of the discussions and decisions made during the Board of Supervisor meeting. For the most accurate and comprehensive record, please refer to the audio recording of the meeting that can be provided upon request at the auditor's office.