

Board of Supervisors Minutes
August 25, 2025

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. August 25, 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, Sheriff Schmidt, 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.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Linda Moeller, Karen Murty, Carolyn Adolphs, Nikki Novak, Richard Arp, Andrea Dvorak, Chad Bartling, Jim Smith, Bob Vokoun, Bill Faircloth, and Rita Dostal. Public comment time closed at 9:10 am.

Motion by Knebel, seconded by Kupka to approve the minutes of the August 18th regular meeting and August 18th 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 had a utility permit for the board chairman to sign. The permit is for Level 3 Communications. Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to approve the permit and for the board chairman to sign the utility permit. Discussion: Daleske was asked to reach out to CenturyLink to make sure it is for Belle Plaine and not Belle Point, IA. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Knebel, seconded by Hilmer to approve a temporary liquor license for Lucky Wife Wine Slushies. This is for a Sip & Shop event being held at the Tama County Market in Chelsea on September 14th. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

An update was given on the progress of the City of Toledo bandstand renovation that is on the county courthouse lawn. The renovation cost has gone over budget by \$25,000.00 of what it was estimated to cost. Jim Roan, who oversees the renovation, is looking for donations to come up with the difference in the cost. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Kupka to approve a contribution to the restoration in the amount of \$5,000.00 to match what the City of Toledo will be donating. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

More discussion was held regarding the Commercial Solar Ordinance draft that has been approved by the zoning commission. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Knebel to approve sending a copy of the drafted ordinance to the county attorney to review. Each supervisor will also send the county attorney what revisions they would like to see. Discussion: Knebel and the board thanked the zoning commission for their hard work and consideration on the draft. Turner stated he was happy the draft states that the county doesn't pay for anything. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to approve the claims for payment as presented in the amount of \$121,852.76. Discussion: Copier leases were discussed. The Board asked the Auditor to

reach out to department heads to have them submit their copier lease contracts to Supervisor Turner for him to review. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Laura Wilson, Nikki Novak, Karen Murty, Richard Arp, Andrea Dvorak, and Jim Smith. Public comment time closed at 10:09 am.

Chairman Doland adjourned the meeting at 10:09 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.