

**Board of Supervisors Minutes**  
**September 2, 2025**

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. September 2, 2025. Present: 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. 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer, was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Karen Murty, Doug Dvorak, Laura Wilson, Jim Smith, Andrea Dvorak, and Larry Vest. Public comment time closed at 9:18 am.

Motion by Knebel, seconded by Turner to approve the minutes of the August 25<sup>th</sup> regular 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 presented a funding agreement for bridge replacement project BROS-7692(605)5F-86 on 300<sup>th</sup> St. for the board chairman and auditor to sign. Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to approve the board chairman and auditor signing the funding agreement. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The county auditor has received notification that the county can participate in an additional opioid settlement with Purdue Pharma. Motion by Knebel, seconded by Turner to approve the board chairman signing a participation settlement agreement with Purdue Pharma for Opioid Litigation. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Knebel to approve a temporary liquor license for Your Private Bartender, LLC. This is for an outdoor music festival called Underground Ranch Campout 2025 being held near Chelsea on September 19-21. They will be serving drinks on September 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Tama County Courthouse Lawn Policy and Application. Doland has made some updates to the policy and would like the county attorney to review the updates for legal clarification. Motion by Knebel, seconded by Turner to approve sending the old policy and application, updated draft policy and application and the State of Iowa's policy to the county attorney and Heartland Risk Pool for their opinions. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

An application to use the courthouse lawn was submitted by The Satanic Temple of Iowa for a marathon reading of "Paradise Lost". The Board discussed updating the policy to require a reservation to use the courthouse lawn when 50 or more people are expected at the event. The courthouse lawn is a public space for people to use. At this time the Board has decided any event

with small groups expected do not need to reserve the courthouse lawn. Motion by Knebel, seconded by Turner to allow anyone wanting to hold an event with a small group of people on the courthouse lawn to use the courthouse lawn without Board approval or deposit until a new courthouse lawn policy can be developed. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

There was much discussion between the board of supervisors regarding amendments to the proposed development agreement draft for Salt Creek Wind II (SCW II). No action was taken.

Motion by Knebel, seconded by Kupka to set a public forum regarding the Salt Creek Wind II Development Agreement for September 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. at the State Bank of Toledo's Community Room located at 103 S. Broadway St. in Toledo. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Each supervisor gave an update for their district.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to approve the claims for payment as presented in the amount of \$390,106.17. Discussion: The reason for the big amount is due to the quarterly funding payment from the Board of Supervisors to E911. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Larry Vest, Karen Murty, and Laura Wilson. Public time closed at 11:29 am.

Chairman Doland adjourned the meeting at 11:30 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.