Board of Supervisors Minutes October 6, 2025

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. October 6, 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 Karen Murty. Public comment time closed at 8:32 am.

Motion by Knebel, seconded by Hilmer to approve the minutes of the September 29th regular meeting. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board met with Ben Daleske, Tama County Engineer, to get a road projects report. The Board also discussed an equipment plan with Daleske.

The Board discussed reorganizing the management structure of the secondary roads department. Motion by Knebel, second by Turner to table further discussion in order to hold the scheduled public hearing. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The board held a public hearing regarding proposed changes to the zoning ordinance fees to the Tama County Zoning Ordinance of July 7, 1998. Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to open the public hearing at 9:06 am. Roll Call Vote: Hilmer, aye. Turner, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Kupka, aye. There were no written public comments and there were no comments heard at the hearing from the public. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Knebel to close the public hearing at 9:07 am. Roll Call Vote: Hilmer, aye. Turner, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Kupka, aye. The next public hearing is scheduled for October 13th at 9:30 am.

Motion by Knebel, seconded by Hilmer to set a joint work session between the Board of Supervisors and Tama County Zoning Commission for Thursday October 16th at 6:00 pm at the Tama County Board of Supervisors room to review and possibly make changes to the recommended Commercial Solar Ordinance. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Turner to approve removing Supervisor Turner from the Region 6 board and appointing Supervisor Doland to the Region 6 board. 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 \$77,274.84. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board continued to discuss reorganizing the management structure of the secondary roads department. Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to move forward with reorganizing the management structure of the secondary roads department and to post the two road foreman positions. Discussion: The current structure stays the same until the two road foreman positions are filled. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Roger Wacha, Jim Smith, Karen Murty, Nancy Smith, Kendall Jordan, Michelle Schroeder, and Jacob Reineke. Public comment time closed at 9:47 am.

Chairman Doland adjourned the meeting at 9:48 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.