

**Board of Supervisors Minutes**  
**April 27, 2026**

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. April 27, 2026. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 2nd District Supervisor, David Turner; 3rd District Supervisor, Heather Knebel and 5th District Supervisor, Curt Kupka. Also, Tama County Auditor, Karen Rohrs, and members of the public. 4th District Supervisor, Mark Doland, joined by phone.

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 and Richard Arp. Public comment time closed at 8:35 am.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Turner to approve the minutes of the April 20<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and April 24<sup>th</sup> special meeting. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Kupka gave a roads project report.

Interim engineer, Nick Amelon, submitted a purchase agreement and easement documents to the Board for purchasing additional right of way from Melody J Davis Revocable Trust on I Avenue for project no. BROS-C086(120)—8J-86 and for the board vice-chairwoman to sign. Motion by Kupka, seconded by Hilmer to approve the board vice-chairwoman to sign the purchase agreement and easement documents. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Jake Buchanan, Tama County Economic Development Director, discussed the Iowa Scenic Byway and potential funding from Tama County. During the discussion, Turner stated he would like to review a formal contract before committing funds to any projects. Buchanan stated he will follow up with the Iowa Valley Scenic Byway to inform them that a contract will be required prior to any funding consideration. No action was taken.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Turner to approve the Veteran Affairs' Quarterly Report. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Kupka to approve the annual liquor license renewal for Fox Ridge Winery. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Kupka to approve a temporary liquor license for Traveling Tapster, LLC for Sip & Shop events to be held at Tama Co. Market on May 7<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to approve a temporary liquor license for Lucky Wife Wine Slushies for an event to be held at Tama Co. Market on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Julie Scadden from the Tama County EMS Association submitted a 28E Agreement between Tama County and Non-Tama County EMS services for the Board to review and take action on. Motion by Turner, seconded by Hilmer to approve the 28E Agreement between Tama County and Non-Tama County EMS services and authorize the vice-chairwoman to sign the agreement. Discussion: It was discussed if LeGrand is included in this agreement. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board held discussion regarding the Tama County Public Health and Home Care budget from last week's meeting. It was discussed that as good stewards of the taxpayer's money, the Board should explore other more cost-effective options for home health services in Tama County. Turner stated he has researched services offered by Greenbelt Home Care, <https://greenbelthomecare.com>. Turner is scheduled to meet with a representative from Greenbelt Home Care later this afternoon to gather more information about their services and will report back to the Board at next week's meeting. No action was taken.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Hilmer to approve the claims for payment as presented in the amount of \$945,534.17. Discussion: The higher amount is due to the bond payments being made. All voted aye. Motion carried.

New Business: Supervisor Turner stated he had attended the Central Iowa Juvenile Detention meeting and that we currently do not have any juveniles being housed there. Supervisor Knebel stated she will be attending the DCAT meeting today and will report back next week. It was discussed that the NinjaOne IT program is being tested. Once all PCs are enrolled, a ticket system will be able to be rolled out.

Brent Heeren, Tama County Attorney, presented a 28E Agreement between Tama County and Benton County. This agreement is for court collections that Benton County collects for Tama County. Motion by Turner, seconded by Hilmer to approve the 28E Agreement and authorize the vice-chairwoman to sign the agreement. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Heeren and his assistant attorney, Geneva Williams, also presented the Board with a 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Flag they had received from The Iowa State Bar Association and Iowa State Bar Foundation honoring the rule of law. The flag stands as a symbol of our shared history and an enduring reminder of the constitutional principles that unite and sustain our nation.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Karen Murty, Missy Axler, and Richard Arp. Public comment time closed at 9:43 am.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried. Vice-Chairwoman Knebel adjourned the meeting at 9:43 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.