Board of Supervisors Minutes
November 9, 2026

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. November 9, 2026. 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 Doland to approve the agenda. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Tina Sivola, Karen Murty, and Jack Cooper. Public comment time closed at 8:49 am.

Motion by Doland, seconded by Kupka to approve the minutes of the November 2nd regular meeting. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Engineer Primus gave a roads project report.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Doland to move ratification of negotiated modified terms to the collective bargaining agreement expiring June 30,2027 between Tama County and UE local number 886, United electrical, radio and machine workers of America to be effective July 1, 2026, and that those terms apply retroactively to July 1, 2026. This motion is to ratify those terms effective July 1, 2026, only and does not include ratification of any previously negotiated and disputed contract terms. Discussion: This is to ratify the wage classification change that this Board agreed upon during negotiations this past spring. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Turner gave an IT projects report.

The Board acknowledged Tama County's initial proposal to the Teamsters, regarding the E911 collective bargaining agreement. Motion by Doland, seconded by Hilmer to accept and file Tama County's initial proposal. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Amelia Kemper, Tama County Recorder, would like approval from the Board to open a credit card for the Recorders Office. Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to approve the Recorders Office obtaining a credit card through the State Bank of Toledo with a limit of $1,000. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to approve the regular claims for payment as presented in the amount of $282,647.96. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

New Business: Supervisor Hilmer informed the Board that Kelly Purk has been named as Director of Public Health by the Public Health Board. Supervisor Turner has met with 911 and Aureon to work on solving a problem with the deputies recording their phone calls. Supervisor Knebel

reported that she had attended an Economic Development meeting, and that Jake is working on downtown walk throughs. Anyone interested in doing a downtown walk through should reach out to Jake. Knebel also wanted to remind everyone of the two zoning meetings coming up on November 11th and 18th regarding the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. Anyone that is unable to attend the meetings but would like to submit their thoughts and comments can do so my reaching out to Laura Wilson, Zoning Director. Supervisor Doland discussed the high-speed chase that went through Tama County last Friday. He thanked all the responding officers for their heroism to try and get the guy stopped.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Jim Smith and Karen Murty. Public comment time closed at 9:10 am.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Kupka to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried. Chairwoman Knebel adjourned the meeting at 9:10 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.