BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

Meeting Notice

Tama County Board of Supervisors

104 W. State St., Toledo, IA 52342

Mon., Nov. 16, 2026

Meetings may also be available online for viewing and/or participating in by clicking the below link barring no power, internet, or equipment failure or other unforeseen circumstances. Meetings will still be held if there is no electronic availability.

Click here to join meeting

Agenda Schedule

**** Agenda is not printed in any particular order, only time specific items will be addressed at certain times**

8:30AM

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Approve agenda

Discuss/Approve 11/09/26 regular & 11/10/26 special minutes

Engineer-road projects report

Discussion/possible action for closed session per Iowa Code 21.5(1)(c) To discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation

Discussion/possible action on items from the Closed Session

Public comments-This time is set aside for public comments on County business topics. To be recognized raise your hand or stand. After recognition by the Chair, state your name and address. You may speak one time per issue. If the comment is for an item not on the agenda, please understand the Board of Supervisors will not act on your comments at this meeting due to the Open Meetings Law requirements but may do so at a future board meeting by placing it on the agenda. The Chair and Board members welcome comments from the public; however, all comments must be directed to the board and not others in attendance; keep your comments germane; it is not appropriate to use profane, obscene, or slanderous language. No personal attacks will be allowed. The Chair may limit each speaker to three minutes.

IT projects report

Discussion/approve claims

New Business:

Discussion/possible action: Supervisor reports

Public comments

Adjourn

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.

Board of Supervisors Minutes
November 10, 2026
Special Meeting

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. November 10, 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.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

The Board canvassed the General Election results. Motion by Turner, seconded by Doland to approve the following resolution. Discussion: The Board discussed how there is roughly 9,000 registered voters and 2,000 of those did not vote.

RESOLUTION 11-10-2026A
CERTIFICATION (CANVASS) OF TAMA COUNTY ELECTION RESULTS, GENERAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, the GENERAL ELECTION was held as prescribed by law on November 3, 2026, and WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors and ex-officio Board of Canvassers have canvassed the vote of said elections in accordance with §50.24 of the *Code of Iowa*, now therefore
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that we, the undersigned members of the Board of Supervisors and ex-officio Board of Canvassers of Tama County, Iowa, do hereby certify the following TURNOUT REPORT and RESULTS in the GENERAL ELECTION, held November 3, 2026, and that no obvious clerical errors were identified during the canvass.
Five thousand five hundred ninety-seven (**5,597**) people voted at the polls on election day.
One thousand five hundred ninety-two (**1,592**) absentee ballots were accepted for counting.
Two (**2**) provisional ballot was accepted.
A total of seven thousand one hundred ninety-one (**7,191**) people voted.

All races are for a term of four (4) years unless otherwise noted.

CANDIDATES ELECTED BY THE VOTERS OF THE RESPECTIVE CITIES AND TOWNSHIPS LOCATED WHOLLY WITHIN TAMA COUNTY:
County Supervisor District 2: David W. Turner
County Supervisor District 3: Heather Knebel
County Treasurer: Kathy Holtz
County Recorder: Amelia Kemper
County Attorney: Brent Heeren
Buckingham Township Trustee: Richard Ruzicka
Buckingham Township Clerk: Adam Clapp
Carlton Township Trustee: Allen Aldrich
Carlton Township Clerk: Jill Aldrich

Carroll Township Trustee: Mark Pokorny
Carroll Township Clerk: Sheryl Jesina
Clark Township Trustee: Dale Degner*
Clark Township Clerk: Phillip McKenna
Columbia Township Trustee: Corey Timm
Columbia Township Clerk: Lloyd Chyma Jr.
Crystal Township Trustee: Dave Mauderer
Crystal Township Clerk: Penny Peters
Geneseo Township Trustee: Jim Niebergall*
Geneseo Township Clerk: Angela Coverdale
Grant Township Trustee: Vincent Moye
Grant Township Clerk: Kirk Dinsdale*
Highland Township Trustee: Jill Harris*
Highland Township Clerk: Sandra Rasmussen*
Howard Township Trustee: Jade Podhajsky*
Howard Township Clerk: David Chizek
Indian Village Township Trustee: James C. Lacina
Indian Village Township Clerk: Brian Hempy
Lincoln Township Trustee: Darryl Widmayer
Lincoln Township Clerk: Debra Wentzien
Oneida Township Trustee: Marvin D. Dostal
Oneida Township Clerk: Chris Behrens
Otter Creek Township Trustee: James H. Smith
Otter Creek Township Clerk: Brenda Doyle
Perry Township Trustee: Ryan McLean
Perry Township Clerk: Mike Reuman
Richland Township Trustee: Randy Upah
Richland Township Clerk: Patrick Henry
Salt Creek Township Trustee: James Poduska
Salt Creek Township Clerk: Jamie Kupka
Spring Creek Township Trustee: Brett Thompson Miller
Spring Creek Township Clerk: Logan Koester
Tama Township Trustee:
Tama Township Clerk: Judy Welch
Toledo Township Trustee: Sam Ferriss
Toledo Township Clerk: Brock Rohrs
York Township Trustee: Steve Kesl
York Township Clerk: Lorie Kesl
Soil & Water Conservation District Commissioners: Craig Sash*, Brock Wilson*
Tama County Agricultural Extension Council Members: Donald Linnenbrink, Sandy Supianoski, Judith Morrison, Clinton Murty, Jackie Skala
Tama County Agricultural Extension Council To Fill Vacancy (for the residue of the term ending Dec. 2028): Cathy Gethmann
**write-in winner*

PUBLIC MEASURE ADOPTED BY VOTERS OF TAMA COUNTY:

Public Measure TX (The number of Tama County Supervisors shall be decreased from five members to three members)
DATED THIS 10th DAY OF November, 2026.
Roll call vote: Hilmer, aye. Turner, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Kupka, aye. Resolution passed and approved this 10th day of November, 2026. Heather Knebel, Chairwoman, Board of Supervisors. Karen Rohrs, Tama County Auditor.
A copy of the results is available in the Tama County Auditor's Office.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Doland to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried. Chairwoman Knebel adjourned the meeting at 10:45 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.