

**Board of Supervisors Minutes
January 23, 2023**

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:15 a.m. January 23, 2023. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 2nd District Supervisor, Bill Faircloth and 3rd District Supervisor, Dan Anderson. The Board canvassed the December 14, 2023 Drainage District 1 Election. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 01-23-2023A

**CERTIFICATION (CANVASS) OF TAMA COUNTY ELECTION RESULTS,
DRAINAGE DISTRICT 1 ELECTION**

WHEREAS, the DRAINAGE DISTRICT 1 ELECTION was held as prescribed by law on January 14, 2023, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors and ex-officio Board of Canvassers have canvassed the vote of said election 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 RESULTS in the DRAINAGE DISTRICT 1 ELECTION, held January 14, 2023, and that no obvious clerical errors were identified during the canvass.

All races are for a term of three (3) years unless otherwise noted.

CANDIDATES ELECTED BY THE VOTERS OF THE RESPECTIVE DRAINAGE DISTRICT:

Drainage District 1: Paul Henrichs

DATED THIS 23rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2023.

Roll call vote: Hilmer, Aye. Faircloth, aye. Anderson, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed and adopted this 23rd day of January, 2023. Bill Faircloth, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Laura Kopsa, County Auditor.

8:40 – 9:00 Employee/Department Head Time

9:00-9:30 Public Comment Time The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Supervisors Hilmer, Faircloth, Anderson. Tama County Auditor Laura Kopsa, several members of the Tama County Against Wind Turbines Coalition. Deputy Sheriff Quandt was also present. Jon Winkelpleck spoke on behalf of Tama County Against Turbines. He stressed the need for a comprehensive commercial solar ordinance. He discussed the downfalls of having large solar farms in a county based on agriculture. Jim Husak spoke in favor of turbines and shared the benefits of having them. The group would like this done now before there are solar projects pending. The supervisors stated that they have not been approached by any solar companies about starting any projects in the county. The Supervisors are not in favor of a moratorium on solar at this time. Richard Arp asked about a comment on the recent Tama County audit regarding sales tax paid. The Auditor shared that this issue was addressed at the time of the audit and should not happen again.

The detailed notes are available in the County Auditor's office.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve the minutes of the January 16th regular meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried

The Board met with Lyle Brehm, Tama County Engineer, to get a road projects report.

Tammy Wise, HR/Insurance Administrator, presented a request for a resolution for the American Cares Act funds. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Anderson to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 01-23-2023B

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the 109 trillion-dollar American Rescue Plan Act and,

WHEREAS, Tama County applied for and has been received funds for the American Rescue Plan Act totaling \$3,200,000.00.

WHEREAS, the Tama County Board of Supervisors has reviewed some requests and determined some that will qualify for the American Rescue Plan Act and

WHEREAS, based on the distribution guidelines from the US Department of Treasury, the following projects have been approved for the use in the second round of said funds:

- Tama Maintenance– Generators – 136,000.00.
- Tama County Secondary Roads- Generators – 116,000.00.
- Tama County Landfill – Generator – 20,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the Tama County Board of Supervisors endorses the disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act Funds for the items listed and authorizes the Auditor to make these payments as they are presented.

Roll call vote: Hilmer, Aye. Faircloth, aye. Anderson, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed and adopted this 23rd day of January, 2023. Bill Faircloth, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Laura Kopsa, County Auditor.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Anderson to approve the Recorder’s Quarterly Report. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve the claims for payment as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

There were comments from the public in attendance regarding solar and wind projects and ordinances.

Chairman Faircloth adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.