

**Board of Supervisors Minutes
June 20, 2022**

8:30-9:30 Public Comment Time

Present: Supervisors Vest, Faircloth, Anderson. Assistant to the Auditor Karen Rohrs, several members of the Tama County Against Wind Turbines Coalition. Deputy Sheriff Trevor Killian and Sheriff Dennis Kucera was also present. The group spoke with the Supervisors for the entirety of the public comment time. Representatives of the group were Richard Arp, Heather Knebel, and Kathy Krafka-Herkema. The group voiced concerns about public safety and stressed that the board has the responsibility to look out for the public health and safety of all residents in Tama County. The Supervisors had no comment to the group.

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 9:30 a.m. June 20, 2022. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Larry Vest; 2nd District Supervisor, Bill Faircloth and 3rd District Supervisor, Dan Anderson.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Vest to approve the minutes of the June 13th regular meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried

The Board met with Lyle Brehm, Tama County Engineer, to get a road projects report. He discussed Title VI with the board. Title VI has to do with Civil Rights for minorities and people with disabilities. The DOT requires Tama County to sign a Non-Discrimination Agreement and a Standard Assurance in order for the County to receive Federal Funds for some projects. He asked the board to sign these documents. Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to approve signing of a Non-Discrimination Agreement and a Standard Assurance as presented by Lyle, Brehm, Engineer. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussed creating a catastrophic sick hold bank policy. Tammy Wise, HR/Insurance Administrator presented a catastrophic sick hold bank policy. No action was taken.

The County is continuing to distribute funds from the American Rescue Plan Act. Tammy presented the 2nd round of projects the committee would like to fund with this money. Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to approve the following resolution for approval of disbursement of American Rescue Plan funds:

RESOLUTION 06-20-2022A

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 the first transfer of funds for the American Rescue Plan Act totaling \$1,600,000.00.

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 County Economic Development Website – Redesign, not to exceed \$6,000.00.
- Travel Tama County Website - Redesign, not to exceed \$6,000.00.
- Individual Community Drone Footage – website & for community use, not to exceed \$10,000.00
- Immediate Assistance for Countywide Licensed Daycares (Toledo, Traer, Dysart, Gladbrook). Amounts based on number of kids. Total not to exceed \$73,400.00
- Immediate Assistance for Communities under 1500 population – grocery store assistance (Gladbrook, Traer, Dysart, Vining). Amounts based on population. Total not to exceed \$31,872.00
- Repair Courthouse Tower for Internet, not to exceed \$5,000
- Replace Servers throughout Tama County buildings, not to exceed \$130,000.
- To enhance Tama County Public Health programs (SKIP, Maternal Health, NEST, Community Health). Total not to exceed \$100,000

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. **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 20th day of June, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Faircloth, Aye. Vest, Aye. Anderson, Aye. Resolution passed and adopted this 20th day of June, 2022. Dan Anderson, Chairman, Tama County Board of Supervisors. Karen Rohrs, Assistant to the Tama County Auditor.

The Board discussed the need to establish a public comment policy to maintain timelines in the meetings. Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to approve the following resolution for a Notice to the Public Regarding Public Comments:

RESOLUTION 06-20-2022B

WHEREAS, there is a need to allow public comments at Board of Supervisor meetings and to limit the time used to present remarks to allow for others to speak also:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, The Tama County Board of Supervisors approve the Public Comment Policy:

Notice to the Public

The Board of Supervisors welcomes comments from the public during the “Public Comments” time at the beginning of the meeting. You are requested to approach the microphone, if available, state your name for the record and limit the time used to present your remarks in order that others may be given the opportunity to speak. You are allowed to record, tape and photograph any open session.

Roll call vote: Vest, Aye. Faircloth, Aye. Anderson, Aye. Resolution passed and approved this 20th day of June, 2022. Dan Anderson, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Karen Rohrs, Assistant to the Tama County Auditor. Larry explained the difference between a work session and a public comment time. The board was asked if minutes are kept for public comments. Karen Rohrs explained that minutes are kept for the public comment time. These minutes are not published but are available upon request from the auditor’s office. Tammy stated that public comments are not required to be published. Kathy wants to make sure minutes are being taken any time the supervisors are together. Kathy made a request that all

minutes be placed on the Tama County website. Kathy also asked who wrote the public comment policy. It was stated that the attorney for Tama County wrote the policy.

Discussed a broadband permit. No action was taken.

The Board met with Judi Hamaker and Judy Funk, Heartland Insurance Risk Pool, to discuss the renewal for fiscal year 2022-23. Kathy Krafka-Herkema asked how much the county is being charged and how much of an increase the county is going to have. Judy Funk stated that everything is estimated right now and that the county will know their increase after the invoices go out next month.

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

Chairman Anderson adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.