

**Board of Supervisors Minutes  
December 18, 2023**

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. December 18, 2023. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 2nd District Supervisor, Bill Faircloth and 3rd District Supervisor, Dan Anderson. 8:30 – 9:15 Employee/Department Head Time

9:15 – 9:30 Public Comment on Agenda Items The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Supervisors Hilmer, Faircloth, Anderson. Tama County Auditor Laura Kopsa, Assistant Auditor Karen Rohrs, members of the public. Deputy Sheriff Killian was also present. There were questions and discussion on the Road Use Agreement on today's agenda. Most of the questions should be able to be answered when the County Engineer arrives at the meeting. There was also discussion of some of the proposed expenditures of the ARPA ( American Rescue Plan Act) funds proposed for today's meeting.

9:30 Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve the minutes of the December 11th regular meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried

The Board met with Ben Daleske, Tama County Engineer, to get a road projects report. He presented purchase agreements and easement documents on purchasing additional right of way on P Avenue and a twin box culvert replacement. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Anderson to approve final plans for BROS-CO86(108)- - 8J-86 on P Avenue Kern & Simmons), BROS-CO86(109)- - 8J86 on E Avenue, BROS-CO86(110)- -8J-86 on F Avenue and BROS-CO86(111)- -8J-86 on 220<sup>th</sup> Street and authorize the Board Chairman to sign. All voted aye. Motion carried. He also asked the Supervisors to approve a Tama County Roads Haul Road Damages and ROW Use Agreement with Mid American. This is to allow Mid American to temporarily use certain roadways for the repowering of the Vienna wind Project and sets out what will need to be done to repair any damages, etc. There was discussion on certain points in the document. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve and sign the Tama County Roads Haul Road Damages and ROW Use Agreement. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Tammy Wise, HR/Insurance Administrator, presented a request for a resolution for the American Cares Act Funds. This will be one of the final requests for these funds as the County is getting close to getting it all spent. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 12-18-2023A**

**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 Auditor– Laptops/Tyler training – 26,000.00.
- Tama County Secondary Roads- Cameras/Tower/Osmosis– 12,579.00
- Tama County Veterans Affairs – Carpet – 8,000.00
- Tama County Maintenance-Garage- 60,000.00
- Tama County Safety- 1<sup>st</sup> Aid- 5,235.00

- Tama County Treasurer – Desks – 3,500.00
- Tama County Economic Development – Business Recovery- 28,025.00
- Tama County Recorder -Computers- 6,000.00
- Tama County 911- Computer/training – 15,184.46
- Tama County HR – Door/cabinets- 10,000.00
- Tama County Attorney -Computers-10,000.00

**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 18th day of December, 2023. Bill Faircloth, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Laura Kopsa, County Auditor.

There needs to be a correction to the action taken last week on Tax Sale Certificate #18-0201. Rob Fattig and Daniel Poduska asked the Supervisors to abate one half of the taxes, all interest and fees on this certificate. In doing so the Supervisors abated the interest and fees on a special assessment Poweshiek Water has on the property. This is not allowed, only the entity putting the special assessment on can abate the assessment, interest and fees. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Anderson to rescind last weeks motion on Sales Tax Certificate 18-0201 and approve to re-assign Tama County Tax Certificate #18-0201 to Robert Fattig for \$4,958 (one half of the taxes) and \$541.93 for the special assessment and abate the rest of the taxes, interest and other. This makes the total due \$5,499.93. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to change next week's meeting to **Tuesday December 26<sup>th</sup>** due to the Christmas holiday. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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

Chairman Faircloth adjourned the meeting at 10:08 a.m.