

Board of Supervisors Minutes
March 25, 2024

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. March 25, 2024. 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 Meeting called to order. Present: Supervisors Hilmer, Faircloth, Anderson. Tama County Auditor Laura Kopsa, Assistant Auditor Karen Rohrs, members of the public. Deputy Sheriff Killian was also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Public Comment on Agenda Items: The 6th District Judicial Probation Office was present to introduce themselves and to give an update on what is going on with their office.

9:30 Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to approve the minutes of the March 18th regular meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried

The Board met with Ben Daleske, Tama County Engineer, to get a road projects report.

Tammy Wise, HR/Insurance Administrator, was present and asked the Supervisors to remove the following policies from the Tama County Employee Handbook and make them stand alone policies: Drug Free Workplace Policy, Vehicle Use/Mileage/GPS Policy and the Electronic Device/Resources/Social Media Use Policy. These will still be Tama County Policies, just not in the employee handbook. No changes have been made to them. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to remove the following policies from the Tama County Employee Handbook but keep as stand alone policies: Drug Free Workplace Policy, Vehicle Use/Mileage/GPS Policy and the Electronic Device/Resources/Social Media Use Policy. All voted aye. Motion carried.

She also asked the Supervisors to formally set the Tama County Mileage Rate at .55 cents and sign a document regarding that. Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Anderson to set the Tama County mileage rate at .55 cents. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Ms. Wise also presented a Public Meeting Procedural Rules Ordinance for the Supervisors to consider and set hearing dates for. With the number of Supervisors going from three to five at the beginning of 2025 it was thought to be a good idea to specifically spell out the rules as dictated by the State of Iowa. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to set three public hearings to consider Ordinance V.14 Public Meeting Procedural Rules for April 22, 29 and May 6 at 9:45 am. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Laura Kopsa, County Auditor, shared that the County is receiving funds from an opioid settlement. One of the requirements is to keep the funds in its own interest bearing bank account. She is asking the Supervisors to approve her opening this account. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to approve allowing the Auditor to open a special interest bearing account for opioid funds. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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

Chairman Hilmer adjourned the meeting at 10:03 a.m.