Board of Supervisors Minutes April 25, 2022

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 9:30 a.m. April 25, 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 April 18th regular meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The County Engineer was not able to be present at today's meeting but asked the Board to award the County shed project to Garling Construction, Belle Plaine for the amount of \$2,982,000.00. Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to award the Tama County Shed Project to Garling Construction, Belle Plaine in the amount of \$2,982.000.00. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board met with a large group of Tama County citizens to discuss wind turbines in the County. Representing the group were John Winkelpleck and Richard Arp. The group is asking for a moratorium on any future wind turbine projects in the County. They feel the Tama County Wind Energy Conversion System Amendment Number 1 to the Tama County Zoning Ordinance is outdated for current construction and modernization of these turbines. A number of concerned citizens and landowners expressed their concerns and shared information they have gathered. They would like to see the County pass a moratorium on wind turbine projects until the standards listed in the amendment can be reevaluated and changed/added to as currently needed. The Board will take their comments and concerns under advisement. No action taken.

Ken Pliner, Iowa Select Farms, and associates were present to visit with the Board about a proposed hog confinement going up in Section 23 of Howard Township for Associate Farms. LLC. Supervisor Anderson visited the site a couple of weeks ago and determined that it meets specifications. There was a group of nearby landowners in attendance to share concerns they have regarding this proposed confinement. Their main concern is the proposed location of the confinement building(s) and air pollution it may produce. The location mainly because of concerns about damage to the roads due to large semis and equipment that will be using those roads. The group feels there is a better location on this farm that is more suitable. They also feel that they weren't given notice about the proposed project. Representatives from Select Farms shared why they feel this is the best location but will look again at the proposed area this group suggested. The group asked the Supervisors for a 90 day pause on this project until they have time to look at all the paperwork. The Supervisors hands are tied as the DNR (Department of Natural Resources) is the governing entity on this project. The Code says the County has 30 days publish a public notice about this project, visit the site to make sure it fits the requirements set by the State and to take public comments on the project. The 30 days is up on May 1st. Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to approve the permit for the Master Matrix for Associate Farms, LLC in Howard Township. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Vest to approve the Recorder's Quarterly Report. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to approve the Sheriff's Quarterly Report. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Vest to approve the Auditor's Quarterly Report. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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

Chairman Anderson adjourned the meeting 11:25 a.m.