

Board of Supervisors Minutes
August 29, 2022

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. August 29, 2022. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Larry Vest; 2nd District Supervisor, Bill Faircloth and 3rd District Supervisor, Dan Anderson.

8:30 – 9:00 Employee/Department Head Time

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

Present: Supervisors Vest, Faircloth, Anderson. Tama County Auditor Laura Kopsa, several members of the Tama County Against Wind Turbines Coalition. Deputy Sheriff Killian was also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Jon Winkelpleck was present representing the Tama County Against Wind Turbines Coalition. He had comments on the Vienna Project not running right now when more electricity is being used. He asked for better regulation of wind projects and shared concerns he has about possible danger/damage caused by turbines. He would like more comprehensive research into the effects of wind turbines. He asked if there were industrial solar projects proposed in the County. He said the coalition is ready to work with the County to update regulations to better protect all taxpayers. Richard Arp spoke about a recent appointment to the Board of Adjustment. He feels it wasn't done appropriately as a county employee was involved with this and said she wasn't. He would like that employee to resign. Jay Wilson, Elberon, spoke about railroad right of way that runs through his property. It was abandoned by the railroad and went to tax sale. His research indicates that when railroads abandon property it reverts back to the owners as the railroad only had an easement to use the property, they didn't own it. He was advised to contact an attorney to see what he could do.

Nancy Smith commented that she was glad there aren't wind turbines in her area as there was an accident in that area last week and a helicopter had to land. If the turbines were there they might not have been able to land. She also turned in an application for an opening on the Zoning Commission.

Heather Knebel also turned in applications for both she and her husband. She stated the wind ordinance needs to be updated.

Public comments ended at 9:31. The detailed notes are available in the County Auditor's office.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Vest to approve the minutes of the August 22nd 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, was present and let the Supervisors know that she is in the process of setting up required employee training for harassment, human trafficking, conflict training for Department Heads and AED training in the future. She also asked the Board to approve the following resolution for the American Rescue Plan Funds. Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to approve the following resolution for disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act funds:

RESOLUTION 08-29-2022A

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 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 County Zoning – Computer, not to exceed \$3,000.00.
- Tama County 911- Simulator, not to exceed \$5,000.00.
- Tama County Public Health – Mobile Unit and supplies, not to exceed \$406,124.00
- Tama County Conservation – Wi-Fi Accessibility to campers, not to exceed 29,236.28
- Tama County Engineer – Generator 14R1, not to exceed 37,500.00
- Tama County Treasurer – Ductwork, computers, not to exceed 34,466.80
- Tama County Engineer – Security system, not to exceed 24,680.00
- Tama County Veterans Affairs – Phone system, not to exceed 2,146.00
- Tama County Auditor – Incode software, not to exceed 250,000.00
- Tama County EMA – Drone, not to exceed 16,411.00
- Tama County Safety – Software, not to exceed 2,444.17
- Tama County Sheriff, Attorney, and 911- Virtual Server, not to exceed 65,387.30
- Tama County Economic Development – Small business recovery, not to exceed 550,000.00

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.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 29th day of August 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Vest, aye. Faircloth, aye. Anderson, aye. Resolution passed and adopted this 29th day of August 2022. Dan Anderson, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Laura Kopsa, Tama County Auditor.

Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to change next week's meeting to **Tuesday September 6th** due to the Labor Day holiday. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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

Chairman Anderson adjourned the meeting 9:50 a.m.