

**Board of Supervisors Minutes
December 5, 2022**

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. December 5, 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 Quandt was also present. Nancy Yuska spoke on behalf of Tama County Against Wind Turbines. She asked the Board if in the past 24 years they have ever update their personal insurance, assets, investments, etc. She is sure they have, so why haven't they ever looked at and revised the wind turbine ordinance? She applauded the Zoning Commission for meeting, listening and trying to make changes. She also shared that she found the remarks last week about mental health offensive. Tom Swierczewski, with Conifer Power who is working on the Salt Creek project, read an open letter from Salt Creek, LLC that states their stance on this subject that will be in the local newspapers next week. Richard Arp asked if they meet with and work with Salt Creek would the Supervisors be more open to suggested changes. The Supervisors were also asked about the progress on microphones and speakers in their meeting room. Bob Vokoun shared that he has visited with Hardin County regarding their wind turbines and radio communication towers. They stated they had no issues with the turbines. This is not what was stated at a recent Zoning Commission meeting. He asked the group to find out the facts directly from the people involved rather than listen to other individuals.

The detailed notes are available in the County Auditor's office.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Vest to approve the minutes of the November 28th 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, visited with the Supervisors about:

COVID protocol – currently if diagnosed, 5 days at home, first 5 days back at work with a mask.

This follows CDC recommendations.

GPS Handbook – postponed to next week

GPS Policy – postponed to next week

Mechanic pay scale – waiting to hear from the Union.

Auditor, Laura Kopsa, informed the Supervisors that there was an issue in publishing the notice for the budget amendment scheduled for today. This will need to be postponed and rescheduled. She has been reassured by the local newspaper that they will make sure to get it published correctly. Auditor Kopsa asked the Board to set a date for a public hearing regarding a budget amendment for the FY23 budget. Motion by Vest, seconded by Faircloth to reset a public hearing for a FY23 budget amendment for December 19, 2022 at 10:00 am. 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 at 9:45 a.m.