

Board of Supervisors Minutes
April 27, 2023
Special Meeting

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. April 27, 2023. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 2nd District Supervisor, Bill Faircloth and 3rd District Supervisor, Dan Anderson.

At 8:40 the Board held a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed county budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. There were members of the public present. Public comments: Mark Doland had a comment regarding the increase in the budget for legal fees. He feels that may be an unneeded increase due to the County having a county attorney. The County is paying an outside attorney for legal issues going on right now. He feels this is a cost the taxpayers should not be paying for. There was also a question on if the Supervisors give cost of living raised to employees. It was explained that that is included in annual raises. Al Schaufbach asked why the elected officials all got more than the 7% given to all the regular employees. It was explained that the elected officials' raises are recommended by the Compensation Board as per Iowa Code. The Supervisors can then accept the recommendation, lower the recommendation or ask the Compensation Board meet again and make another recommendation. The Compensation Boards' recommendation was 8% for elected officials except for the Sheriff who was recommended for a 13% raise to bring him into line with what the legislature approved for sheriffs last year. Chairman Faircloth closed the public hearing at 8:46 am. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Anderson to approve the total amount of property taxes levied at \$10,570,727, an increase of \$402,508 from last year, for the 2023-2024 fiscal year budget and to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 4-27-2023A

The Board of Supervisors of Tama County hereby approves and adopts the 2023-2024 fiscal year budget making the total property taxes levied \$10,570,727 . This is using close to the same tax levy rates there that were levied last year. The Board further notes that the budget was published in official newspapers for Tama County and orders the budget to be certified and filed with/by the Tama County Auditor, as required by law.

Roll Call Vote: Hilmer, aye. Faircloth, aye. Anderson, aye. Resolution adopted this 24th day of April, 2023. Bill Faircloth, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Laura Kopsa, County Auditor.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 4-27-2023B

WHEREAS, the Tama County Compensation Board meets annually to recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Chapters 331.905 and 331.907, and

WHEREAS, the Tama County Compensation Board met on December 6, 2022, and made the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Current Salary</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>	<u>Recommended Salary</u>
Attorney	\$100,013	8.0%	\$108,015
Auditor	\$66,002	8.0%	\$71,283
Recorder	\$65,822	8.0%	\$71,088
Sheriff	\$91,478	13.0%	\$103,371
Supervisors	\$34,643	8.0%	\$37,415
Treasurer	\$65,913	8.0%	\$71,187

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2023 the Board of Supervisors met and approved the Compensation Board's recommendations as presented.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tama County Board of Supervisors approves the following salary adjustments for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Approved Salary</u>	<u>Approved Increase</u>
Attorney	\$108,015	8.0%
Auditor	\$71,283	8.0%
Recorder	\$71,088	8.0%
Sheriff	\$103,371	13.0%
Supervisors	\$37,415	8.0%
Treasurer	\$71,187	8.0%

Roll call vote: Hilmer, Aye. Faircloth, Aye. Anderson, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed and adopted this 27th day of April, 2023. Bill Faircloth, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Laura Kopsa, County Auditor.

Chairman Faircloth adjourned the meeting at 8:52 a.m.