

Board of Supervisors Minutes
October 16, 2023

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. October 16, 2023. 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 Public Comment on Agenda Items The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Supervisors Hilmer, Faircloth, Anderson. Tama County Auditor Laura Kopsa, Assistant Auditor Karen Rohrs, members of the public. Deputy Sheriff Trevor Killian was also present. Carolyn Adolphs praised the County Conservation employees on their fall festival two weeks ago. It was fantastic with many in attendance. All this with no current Conservation Director. She also shared that she thinks public comments should be for more than fifteen minutes. There were many comments on the agenda item for a resolution for a bird friendly community. They expressed a need for discussion on this before just passing it. Some feel it is vague and needs to address how the County is going to protect birds, what is the plan, what all does it entail? Reprecincting was also discussed. The State now needs the County to set new voting precincts which has already been done. The County can now send in their proposal and hopefully get it approved quickly.

9:30 Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve the minutes of the October 9th 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, presented a request for a resolution of support for being designated as a Bird Friendly Community. There was much discussion on the subject. It was explained by Ms. Wise, that she was presenting this for the Tama County Naturalist as there is currently not a Conservation Director. This is the first step required so that the County can then get designated and can then get the materials and possibly any funding to provide education for children on birds and being bird friendly. Workshops and school visits would be done regarding this. It was decided to table this until next week so the Naturalist could be here to explain the program before any action is taken.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve the use of the Courthouse lawn for Tama County 911 Trunk or Treat on October 27, 2023, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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

The Board met with Bernie Lowe from North Risk Partners to get a report on the County's health insurance.

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

Chairman Faircloth adjourned the meeting at 10:26 a.m.