Board of Supervisors Minutes July 8, 2024

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. July 8, 2024. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 2nd District Supervisor, Bill Faircloth and 3rd District Supervisor, Dan Anderson. Also, Tama County Auditor Laura Kopsa, Assistant Auditor Karen Rohrs, members of the public and Deputy Sheriff Killian.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Hilmer stated that after the official meeting is adjourned everyone needs to be out with in five minutes. There have been times when the public has stayed longer afterwards when the Supervisors and Auditor have left the room and this can pose a security issue especially when it is election time and machines are kept in this room for programming and testing.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Anderson to approve the agenda. Hilmer: Aye, Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: There were comments on the public hearing to amend Ordinance V.14 including recinding it, making sure everyone present is seated, providing a more detailed agenda and avoiding meetings/discussions after adjournment.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to approve the minutes of the July 1st regular meeting. Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board met with Ben Daleske, Tama County Engineer, to get a road projects report.

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

Tammy Wise, HR/Insurance Administrator, presented an updated Tama County Employee Handbook. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to approve the updated Tama County Employee Handbook. Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Tama County EMS Advisory Board recommends the Supervisors appoint Mike Buchanan, Montour First Responder, to the Tama County EMS Advisory Board. Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Anderson to appoint Mike Buchanan, Montour, to the EMS Advisory Board. Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. All voted aye. Motion carried.

At 9:00 Chairman Hilmer opened the first public hearing of an Amendment to Ordinance V.14 Public Meeting Procedural Rules. This ordinance was passed in May 2024 and it has been noted the some changes may need to made to it which include: The wording for convening the weekly meeting date and time, removing roll call voting on all motions, only for resolutions and removing the time, 9:15 -9:45 and just stating 15 minutes for public comments.

Public comments: There was a question about holidays that fall on Mondays, this is addressed in the ordinance, the meeting will be moved to Tuesday. There was a comment that the proposed changes were not available before the meeting, the Auditor shared that they were, it was listed on the public notice that was published in the local papers, county website and Auditor Facebook page along with being made available for the past month in the Supervisors room and Auditors office. At 9:11 Chairman Hilmer closed the public hearing. Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Anderson to approve the first reading of an Amendment to Ordinance V.14 Public Meeting Procedural Rules. All voted aye. Motion carried. The next hearing is scheduled for July 15th at 9:00 am. A copy of the proposed ordinance is available in the County Supervisor's and Auditor's offices.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Faircloth to approve the Sheriff's Quarterly Report. Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Faircloth, seconded by Anderson to approve Law Enforcement Contracts as presented by Sheriff Kucera with the following cities: Clutier, Dysart, Elberon, Garwin, Gladbrook, Lincoln, Montour and Traer. Hilmer: Aye. Faircloth: Aye. Anderson: Aye. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Hilmer adjourned the meeting at 9:12 a.m.