Board of Supervisors Minutes March 10, 2025

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. March 10, 2025. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 2nd District Supervisor, David Turner; 3rd District Supervisor, Heather Knebel; and 5th District Supervisor, Curt Kupka. Also, Tama County Auditor, Karen Rohrs, members of the public and Sheriff Schmidt. Absent: 4th District Supervisor, Mark Doland.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to approve the agenda. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Jim Smith and Richard Arp. Public comment time closed at 8:35 am.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to approve the minutes of the March 3rd regular meeting. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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

Treasurer Kriegel would like the board to approve allowing her office to be closed on Thursday, April 3rd all day so that her office can attend District 1 Training. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Turner to approve the treasurer closing her office on April 3rd for training. Discussion: It was stated that the treasurer's office will be carpooling to the training and that it is just one day of training. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Kupka to approve a temporary liquor license for Laurels Pour House LLC. This liquor license is for an event that is to be held at Pilgrim Heights on March 14th for an East Marshall fund raiser. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Curtis Behrens from conservation had submitted a hiring freeze exemption he would like the board to approve for the naturalist position. Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to approve the conservation department to hire for the naturalist position. Discussion: Kupka stated the naturalist is the public face of conservation and that the naturalist works with students at the schools. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to approve the claims for payment as presented in the amount of \$515,940.11. Discussion: Auditor Rohrs stated that David Sherwood from the landfill had called and stated that the claim in the amount of \$400,000 for a transfer of funds should be cancelled. He stated the landfill will not transfer those funds at this time so that the county can continue to receive interest from those funds. Auditor Rohrs stated she could not cancel the claim due to a software issue. She stated the claim would need to be processed and then once the check is printed, she can void the payment. Knebel thanked the landfill for keeping the funds in the current account to help the county earn interest. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Karen Murty, Richard Arp, and Larua Wilson. Public comment time closed at 9:02 am.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to adjourn the meeting. Vice-Chairwoman Knebel adjourned the meeting at 9:02 am.

These minutes are intended to provide a summary of the discussions and decisions made during the Board of Supervisor meeting. For the most accurate and comprehensive record, please refer to the audio recording of the meeting that can be provided upon request at the auditor's office.