Board of Supervisors Minutes July 9, 2025

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:00 a.m. July 9, 2025, for a special meeting. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 3rd District Supervisor, Heather Knebel; and 4th District Supervisor, Mark Doland. Also, Tama County Auditor, Karen Rohrs, and members of the public. 2nd District Supervisor, David Turner and 5th District Supervisor, Curt Kupka joined by phone.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Richard Arp and Jim Smith. Public comment time closed at 8:15 am.

Doland stated the board will go into closed session for discussion and possible action per Iowa Code 21.5.1 (c) Salt Creek v. Tama County. Motion by Knebel, seconded by Hilmer to go into closed session per Iowa Code 21.5.1 (c). Roll call vote: Hilmer, aye. Turner, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Kupka, aye. The Board went into closed session at 8:16 am. Those present were Supervisors: Curt Hilmer, Heather Knebel, Mark Doland, Karen Rohrs, Auditor. Supervisors David Turner and Curt Kupka joined by phone. Mike Reck and Haley Hermanson with Belin McCormick also joined by phone. Motion by Turner, seconded by Kupka to go back into open session. The Board came out of closed session at 9:49 am. Roll call vote: Hilmer, aye. Turner, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Kupka, aye. Those present were Supervisors: Curt Hilmer, Heather Knebel, Mark Doland, Karen Rohrs, Auditor. David Turner and Curt Kupka were also present by phone.

Motion by Doland, seconded by Kupka to direct the attorneys to move forward minimizing costs as much as possible. Discussion: Turner was in agreement of the motion since there is money already towards it, but keep it as low as possible. Knebel clarified minimize as narrow focus and help save tax payor money. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public comments: Public comments were heard from Richard Arp and Jim Smith. Public comment time closed at 10:00 am.

Chairman Doland adjourned the meeting at 10:00 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.