

Board of Supervisors Minutes
January 2, 2026

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. January 2, 2026. For the annual reorganization meeting. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 2nd District Supervisor, David Turner; 3rd District Supervisor, Heather Knebel; 4th District Supervisor, Mark Doland. Also, Tama County Auditor, Karen Rohrs and members of the public. Absent: 5th District Supervisor, Curt Kupka.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Carolyn Adolphs and Karen Murty. Public comment time closed at 8:36 am.

Doland asked for nominations for Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the Board of Supervisors in the year 2026. Hilmer motioned for the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to stay the same, seconded by Turner. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Knebel to authorize the County Auditor to pay postage, express freight, wages and salaries prior to being audited by the Board of Supervisors for 2026. Discussion: None. All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Hilmer that the County Auditor be authorized to pay all claims as signed by a majority of the Board of Supervisors in 2026. Discussion: Turner wanted to clarify that these are for the weekly meeting claims and that no claims were being approved or paid today. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Knebel that the following newspapers be designated official newspapers for Tama County for the year 2026: Tama-Toledo News Chronicle, Tama; North Tama Telegraph, Traer. Discussion: There was discussion of how the state is working on legislation to be able to post online to help with publication costs. All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Hilmer that the following resolution concerning the Secondary Road Department be adopted. Discussion: None.

RESOLUTION 1-2-2026A
TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 306.41 of the Code of Iowa, provided that "The Agency having jurisdiction and control over any highway in the state, or the chief engineer of said agency when delegated by such agency, may temporarily close sections of a highway by formal resolution entered upon the minutes of such agency when reasonably necessary because of construction, reconstruction, maintenance or natural disaster and shall cause to be erected ROAD CLOSED signs and partial or total barricades in the roadway at each end of the closed highway section and on the closed highway where that highway is intersected by other highways if such intersection remains open. Any

numbered road closed for over forty-eight hours shall have a designated detour route. The agency having jurisdiction over a section of highway closed in accordance with the provisions of this section, or the persons or contractors employed to carry out the construction, reconstruction, or maintenance of the closed section of highway, shall not be liable for any damages to any vehicle that enters the closed section of highway or the contents of such vehicle or for any injuries to any person that enters the closed section of highway, unless the damages are caused by gross negligence of the agency or contractor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tama County Board of Supervisors that the County Engineer be authorized to close Tama County Secondary Roads as necessary with the actual dates of closure to be determined by the County Engineer as follows:

1. For Construction: Any project as described in the approved "Tama County Secondary Road Construction Program" for the year 2026 and any approved supplements thereto.

2. For Emergency Closure of any road for maintenance purposes: Any route deemed necessary by the County Engineer.

Roll Call Vote: Hilmer, aye. Turner, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Resolution passed and adopted this 2nd day of January, 2026. Mark Doland, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Karen Rohrs, County Auditor.

Motion by Knebel, seconded by Turner to approve the following depository resolution. Discussion: None.

RESOLUTION 1-2-2026B **DEPOSITORY BANKS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tama County Board of Supervisors hereby resolves to authorize the County Treasurer to deposit county funds in the following banks and set the amount as follows:

Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust, Des Moines	10,000,000
State Bank of Toledo, Toledo	15,000,000
Dysart State Bank, Dysart	2,000,000
Chelsea Savings Bank, Belle Plaine, Traer	2,000,000
Lincoln Savings Bank	15,000,000
Northeast Security Bank, NSB, Dysart	5,000,000
WCF Financial Bank, Tama	5,000,000
Farmers Savings Bank, Traer	2,000,000
Pinnacle Bank, Toledo	2,000,000

Roll Call Vote: Hilmer, aye. Turner, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Resolution passed and adopted this 2nd day of January, 2026. Mark Doland, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Karen Rohrs, County Auditor.

Motion by Knebel, seconded by Turner that the following banks be designated as depositories for 2026 as follows.

County Auditor	\$20,000	State Bank of Toledo
County Recorder	\$125,000	State Bank of Toledo
County Sheriff	\$200,000	State Bank of Toledo
County Sheriff	\$10,000	Farmer's Savings Bank, Traer
County Sheriff	\$10,000	First Interstate Bank, Gladbrook
County Sheriff	\$25,000	Lincoln Savings Bank, Tama

Discussion: None. All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

The Chairman of the Tama County Board of Supervisors made the following appointments for 2026:

County Buildings	Board
Decat Executive Board (DHS)	Heather Knebel
DHS Advisory Board	Curt Hilmer
County Emergency Management Agency (EMA)/911	David Turner
Tama County Economic Development Commission	Alternate – Curt Kupka
Farm Administration, County Farm Rental	Heather Knebel
Livestock Evaluation	Marshalltown Chamber of Commerce
Board of Health Services	Alternate -- Mark Doland
Health Insurance - Contact Person for Insurance Information	Curt Kupka
Heartland Insurance Coordinator	Curt Kupka
Heartland Risk Pool Ins., County Trustee	Curt Hilmer
Heartland Insurance, Alternate Trustee	Alternate – Mark Doland
6th Judicial District	Karen Rohrs
Tama County Day Care (dba Kids Corner Daycare, Inc.)	Karen Rohrs
Northeast Iowa Response Group (NIRG)	Heather Knebel
Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging (NEIAAA)	David Turner
R. C. & D. Commission (D.N.R. & U.S. Fish & Wildlife)	Alternate Ryan Goodenbour, EMA
Region VI Planning Commission	Curt Hilmer
Safety Director	Curt Kupka
Safety Coordinators - Risk Pool Insurance	Mark Doland
ADA Coordinator	Ben Daleske
ADA Compliance Officer	Ben Daleske, Engineer
SATUCI	Taylor House, Road Foreman
South Central Iowa Workforce Development	Terry Purvis, Road Foreman
Eastern Iowa Workforce Development Area	Curtis Behrens, Conservation
Central Iowa Juvenile Detention	Dave Sherwood, Landfill
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)	Karen Rohrs, Auditor
Landfill Commission	Ryan Goodenbour, EMA
	Dirk Henle, Maint. Supervisor
	Karen Rohrs, Auditor
	Dirk Henle, Maint. Supervisor
	Mark Doland
	Heather Knebel
	Heather Knebel
	David Turner
	Alternate – Mark Doland
	Board
	Curt Kupka
	Alternate – Curt Hilmer

County Social Services Region (CSS)	Mark Doland
SARA (Shared Area Radio Agreement)	Jacob Reinke, 911
County Engineer	Ben Daleske
Medical Examiner	Dr. David Bethel, M.D.
Deputy Medical Examiner	VACANT
Medical Examiner Investigator	DalLynn Hotchkiss-McEltree, Toledo
Relief Director & Veterans Affairs	Jason Bina, Traer
Weed Commissioner	Courtney Watson, State Center
Zoning Administrator	Chad Weaver
E911 Director	Laura Wilson
EMA Director	Laura Wilson
Motion by Knebel, seconded by Hilmer to approve the appointments. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.	Jacob Reinke Ryan Goodenbour

Motion by Turner, seconded by Doland to agree if for any reason the Chairman is unable to act or sign documents, the other members of the Board of Supervisors may act/sign in his/her behalf. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Turner to set the following days the County Offices will be closed in 2026 to observe the following holidays:

Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Monday, January 19
Good Friday	Friday, April 3
Memorial Day	Monday, May 25
July 4 th	Friday, July 3
Proclamation Day	Monday, July 13
Labor Day	Monday, September 7
Veterans Day	Wednesday, November 11
Thanksgiving	Thursday & Friday, November 26 & 27
Christmas Eve	Thursday, December 24
Christmas Day	Friday, December 25
New Year's Eve	Thursday, December 31 at Noon
New Year Day	Friday, January 1

Discussion: None. All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Doland, seconded by Turner to set the regular official meeting day for every Monday at 8:30 a.m. at the Tama County Supervisor's boardroom, unless changed for some reason.

Discussion: Discussed if the meeting date and time should be changed. All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Doland, seconded by Turner to approve appointing Paul Greufe, HR Consultant, as the Title VI Coordinator and signing of the Non-Discrimination Agreement and a Standard Assurance documents. Title VI has to do with Civil Rights for minorities and people with disabilities. The DOT requires Tama County to sign a Non-Discrimination Agreement and a Standard Assurance for

the County to receive Federal Funds for some projects. The Title VI Non-Discrimination notice is as follows:

Tama County

Title VI/Nondiscrimination Notice to the Public

Tama County hereby gives public notice that it is the policy of Tama County to assure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, related statutes and regulation provide that no person shall on the ground of race, color, nation origin, gender, age or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 amended Title VI to specify that entire institutions receiving federal funds, whether schools, colleges, government entities, or private employers, must comply with Federal civil rights laws, rather than just the programs or activities that receive federal funds.

We are also concerned about the impacts of our programs, projects and activities on low income and minority populations (“Environmental Justice”) under Title VI. Any person who believes that they are being denied participation in a project, being denied benefits of a program, or otherwise being discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability, may contact:

Title VI Coordinator Paul Greufe	or	Civil Rights Coordinator-Iowa DOT
Tama County		Civil Rights Bureau
641-484-4191 ext. 4		800-262-0003 or 515-262-1921

YOU SHOULD CONTACT THE ABOVE INDIVIDUAL OR IOWA DOT OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BUT NO LATER THAN 180 DAYS AFTER THE ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION OCCURRED, OR IF THERE HAS BEEN A CONTINUING COURSE OF CONDUCT, NO LATER THAN 180 DAYS AFTER THE ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION WAS DISCONTINUED. CONTACT THE CIVIL RIGHTS COORDINATOR TO GET MORE INFORMATION ON THE IOWA DOT'S TITLE VI PROGRAM.

Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Knebel to approve the 2026 Tama County Compensation Commission for Condemnation Proceedings as updated today as follows:

2026 Tama County Compensation Commission for Condemnation Proceedings

(Not less than 28 residents, equally divided into four areas)

LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALES PERSONS

1. Marvin Boldt, 109 Levering Street Traer, 50675
2. Harlan Dirks, 1008 Prospect Dr., Toledo 52342
3. VACANT
4. Jamie Howard, 2371 130th Street, Traer, IA 50675
5. Jason Lekin, 110 Columbian Court, Toledo 52342
6. Julie Elliott, P.O. Box 105, Dysart 52224
7. David Dirks, 1008 Prospect Drive, Toledo, 52342
8. VACANT
9. VACANT
10. Rob Wobeter, 221 W. High St., Toledo 52342

FARM OWNER OPERATORS

1. Jack Cooper, 1693 305th St., Tama, 52339
2. Alan Sienknecht, 2608 R Ave, Clutier, 52217

3. Rod Richardson, 1731 370th St., Tama, 52339
4. Rick Hopper 2381 300th Street Toledo 52342
5. Richard Arp, 512 Maple St., Dysart, 52224
6. LeRoy Hoskey 3143 350th St., Chelsea 52215
7. VACANT
8. Mark Volkens, 1218 G Ave., Gladbrook 50635
9. VACANT
10. Dennis Wobeter 2528 Hwy E43 Toledo 52342

OWNERS OF TOWN PROPERTY

1. Jay Whannel, 508 6th St., Traer 50675
2. Larry Frese, 108 Jacobs St., Chelsea, 52215
3. Rita Cranston, 802 Iowa Street, Dysart, IA 52224
4. Charles Bearden, 705 Washington St., Gladbrook 50635
5. VACANT
6. Galen Musgrave, 105 N. County Road, Toledo 52342
7. Joe Boll, W. Summit St., Toledo 52342
8. VACANT
9. Mike Pieper, 1902 State St., Tama 52339

PEOPLE WITH KNOWLEDGE OF REAL ESTATE VALUES

1. VACANT
2. Keith Sash 301 West 1st Street Gladbrook 50635
3. Rick Krug, P.O. Box 361, Dysart 52224
4. VACANT
5. Steven Baumeier, 1252 Hwy 96, Gladbrook 50635
6. Kevin Eikamp, 905 Jefferson, Dysart 52224
7. Jim Novotny, 1797 360th Street, Tama 52339
8. VACANT
9. Stan Upah, 2248 310th Street, Toledo 52342

Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Knebel to approve the following resolution for construction evaluation relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure. Discussion: None.

RESOLUTION 1-2-2026C
CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Iowa Code section 459.304(3) sets out the procedure if a board of supervisors wishes to adopt a “construction evaluation resolution” relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution can submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) an adopted recommendation to approve or disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, by adopting a construction evaluation resolution the board of supervisors agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operation structure received by the board of supervisors between February 1, 2026 and January 31, 2027 and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix created in Iowa Code section 459.305, but the board’s

recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TAMA COUNTY that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this construction evaluation resolution pursuant to Iowa Code section 459.304(3).

Roll Call Vote: Hilmer, aye. Turner, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Resolution passed and adopted this 2nd day of January, 2026. Mark Doland, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Karen Rohrs, County Auditor.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Knebel to acknowledge receipt of the following reaffirmations of elected official appointments:

Tama County Attorney's Office – Brent Heeren, Attorney

Geneva Williams	Asst. Attorney
Lisa Heitman	Office Administrator
Angela Gary	Secretary/Bookkeeper

Tama County Auditor's Office – Karen Rohrs, Auditor

Maureen Kratoska	Asst. Auditor
Michelle Schroeder	Asst. Auditor
Jenna Cremeans	Election Coordinator

Tama County Recorder's Office – Amelia Kemper, Recorder

Marcia Sawdey	Asst. Recorder
Angie Princehouse	Asst. Recorder

Tama County Sheriff's Department – Casey Schmidt, Sheriff

Andrew Batcheller	Deputy	Lisa Alexander	Jailer
Brandon Boldt	Deputy	Linda Beltz	Jailer
Heath Brown	Deputy	Miranda Brewer	Jailer
Jody Droiapk	Pt-time Deputy	Jordyn Cremeans	Jailer
Dallas Dvorak	Deputy	Kira Doyle	Admin. Assistant
Lucas Dvorak	Deputy	Clayton Killian	Jailer
Kyle Fangman	Deputy	Trudey Nekola	Records Clerk
Joshua Gettle	Reserve Deputy	Courtney Rivera	Jailer
Trevor Killian	Detective	Abigail Sieck	Jailer
Jacob Murphy	Deputy	Jean Sieck	Pt-time Jailer
Ronald Pexa	Pt-time Deputy	Samantha Warnell	Jailer
Houstyn Phinney	Deputy	Melissa Bergom	Dispatcher
Joseph Quandt	Chief Deputy	Anna Bloomquist	Dispatcher
Brian Randall	Jail Administrator	Sadie Brewer-Reyes	Dispatcher
Bruce Rhoads	Reserve Deputy	Julie Hoskey	Dispatcher
Cole Savage	Deputy	Sidney Hulme	On-call Dispatcher
Brandon Wall	Deputy	Diane Kesl	On-call Dispatcher
Clarissa Little	On-call Dispatcher	Zachary Little	On-call Dispatcher
Gracey Nagle	Dispatcher	Matthew Schlichting	Dispatcher
Justin Taylor	Dispatcher	Sadie Weekley	On-call Dispatcher
Jamie Youngbear	Dispatcher		

Tama County Treasurer's Office – Amanda Kriegel, Treasurer

Andrea Asmussen	Universal Bookkeeper
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Melissa Depaz	Universal Bookkeeper
Sara Gilbert	Tax Assistant
Amanda Morris	Asst. Treasurer/D.O.T.
Elizabeth Young	Auto Assistant

Discussion: None. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Turner to set the 2026 mileage reimbursement rate at \$0.625.

Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Doland stated Jim Allen had approached him and verbally resigned from the Tama County Conservation Board. Motion by Doland, seconded by Turner to accept the resignation of Jim Allen from the Tama County Conservation Board. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Hunter Filloon had turned in an application previously to serve on the Tama County Conservation Board and when contacted this week stated he would still be interested in serving on the board. Motion by Knebel, seconded by Hilmer to approve appointing Hunter Filloon to the Tama County Conservation Board. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Per Iowa Code 350, Tama County Conservation Board positions need to be staggered within 5 years of each other. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Turner to correct the Tama County Conservation Board terms per Iowa Code 350 to be staggered as Danielle Dunning until 12/31/26, Steve Kenkel until 12/31/27, Bryan Wacha until 12/31/28, Chris Behrens until 12/31/29, and Hunter Filloon until 12/31/30. Discussion: It was stated that Hunter will need to complete the IPIB training for public meetings. All voted aye.

Public Comments: No comments were made from the public. Public comment time closed at 9:14 am.

New Business:

Supervisor Turner informed the Board that they had run into a snag when they went to update the court system's phones to the new Aureon phones. He also informed the Board that we are advertising for a Tier II Network Engineer.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Knebel to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried. Chairman Doland adjourned the meeting at 9:18 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.