



Tama County 911 Communications

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911 Service Board Minutes: February 10, 2026 **FY 2026/2027 Public Budget Hearing**

The Tama County 911 Service Board meeting was called to order by 911 Service Board Chair Billie Van Egmond (Dysart) at 6:32 PM on Tuesday, February 10th, 2026. Chair Van Egmond (Dysart) started by announcing to parties present in person and online that there was no quorum. Of 21 voting members, 9 were present.

Members present in person: Billie Van Egmond (Dysart – Chair), Linda Pearson (Clutier), Brian Hanus (Tama – Alternate), Joe Boll (Toledo – Alternate), Kendall Jordan (Toledo), Gregory Westwater (Gladbrook – Alternate), David Turner (Board of Supervisors), Mary Wankowicz (EMA Representative), Robert ‘Bob’ Vokoun (Le Grand)

Members present via Microsoft Teams: Wayne Nekola (Gladbrook), Tyler Sell (Traer – Vice Chair), Shaun Kennedy (Traer – Alternate)

Others in attendance: Jacob Reineke (911 Director), Ryan Goodenbour (EMA Coordinator), Glenn Thorne (Traer), Carrie Holst (Traer)

Agenda Approval: A motion was made by Hanus (Tama) to approve February 13, 2026, meeting agenda and seconded by Pearson (Clutier). All ayes. Motion carried.

New Business

Budget Hearing for proposed FY 2026-2027:

Public Hearing was **opened** by Chair Van Egmond (Dysart) at 6:33 PM.

Hearing no remarks from the public or members of the board (both in-person and on Microsoft Teams), the public hearing was **closed** by Chair Van Egmond (Dysart) at 6:34 PM.

Note: Public hearing information was published with February 10, 2026, meeting agenda and published in the Tama-Toledo News Chronicle and North Tama Telegraph newspapers. The proposed budget was also published on the Iowa Department of Management website.

FY 2026-2027 budget discussion: Chair Van Egmond (Dysart) advised that she and Vice Chair Tyler Sell (Traer) met with Director Reineke a few weeks prior to this meeting and went over the budget. Items were further narrowed down during that discussion. Reineke stated to the board that he is willing to answer for any aspect of the budget that anyone may have questions on.



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Reineke highlighted a few areas:

- Planned revenues have decreased. Reineke stated that he felt it would not be responsible to anticipate more revenue when there is no evidence suggesting that it would increase.
- Reineke stated some lines have been zeroed out as they have historically not been used.
- Reineke mentioned that a new expense line was created to accommodate SF659 legislation from May 2025 where IAHSMD is able to invoice PSAPs quarterly for Iowa Shared Services.
- Reineke touched on legislation that is currently being pushed that will have direct impacts on PSAPs in Iowa. Consolidation legislation will not impact Tama County currently, as it impacts counties where multiple PSAPs exist within a single county (I.E.: Polk, Linn, etc.).
- This legislation also impacts 911 Services Boards and pushes authority under Sheriff's Offices.
- Expense lines discussed:
 - **RACOM Service Agreement:** Due to budget cuts, the RACOM Service Agreement was not adequately funded. Budgeted for \$140,000 and was charged \$164,000.
 - **Salaries:** Reineke advised expense lines for salaries comply with Board of Supervisors guidance of 0% cost-of-living-raises. Reineke also apprised the board that he plans to create a lead position within his team as a redundancy and requirement of his hiring by the 911 Service Board.
 - **FICA/IPERS:** Pearson (Clutier) pointed out a discrepancy on the budget sheet as FICA and IPERS were lower than in years past. Reineke advised he would investigate this and report back to the 911 Service Board.
 - **Mapping Expenses:** Vokoun (Le Grand) inquired about the changes to the Mapping Expense line as it was significantly higher than in the past. Reineke stated that he moved this expense line to the mapping expense line instead of the data processing expense line.
 - **Windstream:** Pearson (Clutier) asked about the Windstream expense line. Reineke negotiated a 3 year contract with Windstream (now Uniti) to decrease expenses for them to deliver 911 trunks to the Communications Center. By this time, the Next Generation 911 upgrade should be complete, which IAHSMD has told Reineke will become a cost of doing business expense in the future, eliminating the expense lines.
 - **IT:** Reineke stated the Board of Supervisors hired an IT technician, but that he does not want to undercut the IT expense lines until IT is completely ready to take over IT tasks from Creative Software Solutions, the as-needed IT vendor for 911. Turner (Board of Supervisors) advised they intend to get the IT technician certified to handle all IT tasks for 911 in the future. Ideally, the expense line will be lowered when this happens. Turner (Board of Supervisors) inquired if the dispatchers can call CSS or if it falls on the Director. Reineke advised him that he is the only person who calls on behalf of 911.



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- **Office / Data Processing:** Reineke advised he increased this expense line as currently; there is not enough money to pay for software 911 is under contract for.
- **Tower Expenses:** Reineke stated that tower expenses have exceeded the allotted amounts this year already, hence an increase to this expense line.

Chair Van Egmond advised the 911 Service Board that the budget requires a motion to approve the proposed budget. She suggested the motion be pending fixing the FICA and IPERS expense lines on the budget sheet.

A motion was made by Jordan (Toledo) to approve the proposed budget pending the payroll adjustment. Seconded by Hanus (Tama). Chair Van Egmond (Dysart) advised a roll-call vote would be necessary for this. Votes for this motion were as follows (noted by community represented):

- Chelsea: Absent
- Clutier: AYE by Pearson
- Dysart: AYE by Van Egmond
- Elberon: Absent
- Garwin: Absent
- Gladbrook: AYE by Nekola
- Lincoln: Absent
- Meskwaki Nation: Absent
- Montour: Absent
- Tama County Sheriff: Absent
- Tama: AYE by Hanus
- Toledo: AYE by Jordan
- Traer: AYE by Sell
- Vining: Absent
- EMA Representative: AYE by Wankowicz
- Belle Plaine: Absent
- Gilman: Absent
- Reinbeck: Absent
- Grundy Center: Absent
- La Porte City: Absent
- Le Grand: AYE by Vokoun

Chair Van Egmond (Dysart) advised the board that the vote received all “AYES.” Motion carried pending IPERS and FICA were corrected.

Replacement of executive committee member discussion: Due to lack of quorum for 911 Board, Chair Van Egmond (Dysart) advised this item will be tabled until the next meeting.

The 911 Service Board Executive Members and Director Reineke will meet with the Tama County Board of Supervisors to discuss the 911 Service Board budget on February 17th, 2026, at the Tama County Board of Supervisors Meeting Room in Toledo. Meeting will begin at 10:00 AM.

Chair Van Egmond (Dysart) stated a vote of any budget changes after meeting with the Tama County Board of Supervisors will be done via email or Teams meeting depending on changes needing made.



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Chair Van Egmond (Dysart) shared that the next regular 911 Service Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 6:30 PM at the Tama County Engineer’s Office Meeting Room and via Microsoft Teams.

A motion for adjournment by Pearson (Clutier), seconded by Hanus (Tama). All ayes. Motion carried.

The Tama County 911 Service Board meeting adjourned at 6:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jacob Reineke". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jacob Reineke, Tama County 911 Communications Director