

TAMA COUNTY ZONING COMMISSION MINUTES

Comprehensive Land Use Plan; Wind Energy Conversion System Ordinance

Wednesday April 8, 2026. Administration Building, 104 W State Street.

Board members present: Doug Dvorak, Jody Boldt, Carol Meyer, Steve Petersen. Online: Wade Mitchell

4 community members were present in the room, and 1 was present on Teams.

MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Dvorak, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Meyer, second by Boldt to approve the tentative agenda. All Ayes, motion carried.

Minutes from the previous meeting on 3/11/26 were reviewed. Motion by Petersen, second by Meyer to approve the minutes. All Ayes, motion carried.

Opening remarks were made by Zoning Administrator Laura Wilson.

Administrator Wilson reviewed the final status of ongoing Comprehensive Land Use Plan Survey results, 209 total responses with 183 online and 26 paper copy responses. Response results were discussed for each question from the survey. The Commission members and community members discussed their reactions to the survey results.

After the survey discussion, there was discussion about layout and content to review in future meetings. There was a review of the Ag Census data that was compiled. The Commission requested that the Administrator have additional graphs from the survey results and a preliminary outline template for the Comprehensive Plan prepared at the next meeting.

Middle Iowa Watershed Management Authority information and Iowa River water quality standards from Iowa DNR, EPA and Meskwaki Nation were discussed. Water concerns surrounding Data Centers were also discussed.

The Commission members moved on to review the WECS ordinance draft, starting with section 900. Sections 903 "Cost Estimate", 803 "Operation Upgrades", and 902 "Decommissioning Plan" were discussed in depth.

The next meeting was planned for April 22, 6pm.

Motion to adjourn by Petersen, second by Boldt. All Ayes, Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Wilson