

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

Meeting Notice

Tama County Board of Supervisors

Mon., Apr. 20, 2026

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Agenda Schedule

** Agenda is not printed in any particular order, only time specific items will be addressed at certain times

8:30AM

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Approve agenda

Public comments-This time is set aside for public comments on County business topics. To be recognized raise your hand or stand. After recognition by the Chair, state your name and address. You may speak one time per issue. If the comment is for an item not on the agenda, please understand the Board of Supervisors will not act on your comments at this meeting due to the Open Meetings Law requirements but may do so at a future board meeting by placing it on the agenda. The Chair and Board members welcome comments from the public; however, all comments must be directed to the board and not others in attendance; keep your comments germane; it is not appropriate to use profane, obscene, or slanderous language. No personal attacks will be allowed. The Chair may limit each speaker to three minutes.

Discuss/Approve 4/13/26 regular minutes

Engineer-road projects report

8:45 AM

Public Hearing for Proposed FY27 Budget

Discussion/possible action on Resolution 4-20-2026A to adopt FY27 Budget

North Risk Partners to give insurance renewal presentation

Discussion/possible action on Auditor's Quarterly Report

Discussion/possible action on Resolution 4-20-2026B HomeBase Iowa Qualifications

Discussion/possible action on Resolution 4-20-2026C to transfer funds from Vienna TIF Fund to Debt Service Fund

Discussion/possible action regarding Tama County Public Health

Discussion/approve claims

New Business:

Discussion/possible action: Supervisor reports

Public comments

Adjourn

Board of Supervisors Minutes
April 13, 2026

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. April 13, 2026. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 3rd District Supervisor, Heather Knebel; 4th District Supervisor, Mark Doland and 5th District Supervisor, Curt Kupka. Also, Tama County Auditor, Karen Rohrs, and members of the public. 2nd District Supervisor, David Turner, joined the meeting by Teams.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Jim Smith, Jack Cooper, and Karen Murty. Public comment time closed at 8:33 am.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Knebel to approve the minutes of the April 6th regular meeting. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Kupka gave a roads project report. Supervisor Knebel informed the Board that she had been in discussions with Interim County Engineer Nick Amelon regarding K Avenue and dust control measures related to the upcoming construction on Highway 63. The DOT will pay for dust control at intersections and in front of houses.

The engineer's office has received two utility permits from Windstream Iowa Communications, LLC. Interim County Engineer Nick Amelon recommends the Board sign the permits. Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to approve the utility permits for Windstream Iowa Communications, LLC and authorize the chairman to sign the utility permits. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The engineer's office also received a utility permit from Farmers Cooperative Telephone Company. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Kupka to approve the utility permit for Farmers Cooperative Telephone Company and authorize the chairman to sign the utility permit. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Knebel to approve the Sheriff's Quarterly Report. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Hilmer to approve the Recorder's Quarterly Report. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Knebel, seconded by Kupka to approve the Zoning's Quarterly Report. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Laura Wilson, Tama County Weed Commissioner, submitted the following annual weed resolution for the Board to act on. A separate weed notice will also need to be placed in the local papers.

Motion by Knebel, seconded by Hilmer to approve the following resolution. Discussion: It was stated that this a normal yearly item.

RESOLUTION 4-13-2026A

NOTICE TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS AND TENANTS:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Tama County, Iowa, that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 317 of the Code of Iowa, Chapter 58 of the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship and Land Stewardship Administrative Code, and amendments thereto; it is hereby ordered:

That each owner and each person in the possession or control of lands in Tama County shall eradicate all Class A noxious weeds and control all Class B noxious weeds, at such time in each year and in such manner as shall prevent said weeds from blooming or coming to maturity. The owner and/or persons responsible for managing any lands shall keep said lands free from the growth of any other weeds that make the streets or highways adjoining said lands unsafe for public travel or may cause harm to agricultural land or natural areas. Control is defined as the prevention of the spread of noxious weeds by limiting the production of reproductive structures.

That noxious weeds from the Iowa Code 317 that are present in Tama County shall be controlled or eradicated as is necessary throughout the growing season. Any landowner with property under CRP contract with the USDA is encouraged to consult with their local office and must abide by contract requirements.

Class A Noxious Weeds for Eradication: Palmer Amaranth (*Amaranthus palmeri*)

At all times: This Class A Noxious Weed must be eradicated. If it is found on land in Tama County, the owner or manager of said land is encouraged to cooperate with the United States Department of Agriculture. This also may include the department's farm service agency office for that county, the farm service agency's state office, or any other office or official designated by the department.

Class B Noxious Weeds for Control: Canada Thistle (*Cirsium arvense*), Leafy Spurge (*Euphorbia esula*), Multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*), European morning glory or field bindweed (*Convolvulus arvensis*), Teasel (*Dipsacus spp.*) biennial, Bull Thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*), all other species of Thistles belonging in the genus Carduus.

That in case of failure to comply in any order of control of weeds, the commissioner, the deputies, or agents may, subsequent to the time after service of the notice provided for in Section 317.6, enter upon the land and control the weeds or impose a maximum penalty of \$10 per day, up to ten days, that the owner or person responsible for managing the land fails to comply. If a penalty is imposed and the owner or person responsible for managing the land fails to comply, the commissioner shall cause the weeds to be controlled. If the commissioner, the deputies, or the agents enter the land and control the weeds, the actual cost and expense of controlling the weeds, along with the cost of serving notice and special meetings or proceedings, shall be paid by the county and together with the additional assessment to apply toward costs of supervision and administration, be recovered by an assessment against the tract of real estate on which the weeds were growing as provided in Section 317.21. Any fine imposed shall be recovered by a similar assessment.

Roll Call Vote: Hilmer, aye. Turner, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Kupka, aye. Resolution passed and adopted this 13th day of April, 2026. Mark Doland, Chairman, Board of Supervisors. Karen Rohrs, County Auditor.

Salt Creek Wind I (SCWI) has submitted an updated Decommissioning Plan. The plan was prepared by a licensed engineer in Iowa. The updated plan reflects the costs adjusted to decommission the Project in current (2026) dollars, and the new total estimated cost to decommission the Project at the end of its useful life is \$11,268,400.00. Motion by Knebel, seconded by Doland to approve Salt Creek Wind, LLC updated Decommissioning Plan. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to approve the regular claims for payment as presented in the amount of \$218,098.71 and the health fund claim payment in the amount of \$99.45. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

New Business: Supervisor Turner stated he had received the red lines from NinjaOne and had forwarded them to the county attorney. He stated most had been addressed and was pleased with the negotiations. Supervisor Knebel and Hilmer had attended Government Day last week and had good conversations with the students. Stated it was a good experience. Supervisor Hilmer attended the Board of Health meeting last week. Stacy Koeppen, Tama County Public Health Director, has accepted another job. He stated the Board of Health does not want to decertify, but that the nursing staff does want to decertify. Jacob Reineke, Tama County 911 Director, was online to share with the Board that it is National Dispatcher Week. The Board thanked Jacob and his staff for their hard work and dedication.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Nancy Smith and Jacob Buchanan. Public comment time closed at 9:00 am.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Kupka to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried. Chairman Doland adjourned the meeting at 9:01 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.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING -- PROPOSED BUDGET
Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027
County Name: TAMA COUNTY County Number: 86

The County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year County budget as follows:
 Meeting Date: 4/20/2026 Meeting Time: 08:45 AM Meeting Location: 104 W State St. Toledo, IA 52342

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the County Auditor. A copy of the supporting detail will be furnished upon request. County budgets are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult dom.iowa.gov/local-budget-appeals

Average annual percentage changes between "Actual" and "Budget" amounts for "Taxes Levied on Property", "Other County Taxes/ TIF Tax Revenues", and for each of the ten "Expenditure Classes" must be published. Expenditure classes proposing "Budget" amounts, but having no "Actual" amounts, are designated "NEW".

County Website (if available)
www.tamacounty.iowa.gov

County Telephone Number
 (641) 484-2740

		Budget 2026/2027	Re-Est 2025/2026	Actual 2024/2025	AVG Annual % CHG
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
Taxes Levied on Property	1	13,507,904	13,093,274	11,809,659	6.95
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	0	0	0	
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3	0	0	0	
Net Current Property Taxes	4	13,507,904	13,093,274	11,809,659	
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5	2,180	1,080	3,648	
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6	28,000	21,180	80,447	
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7	1,481,834	1,489,564	1,482,466	-0.02
Intergovernmental	8	8,255,837	8,950,937	8,717,402	
Licenses & Permits	9	47,325	39,650	60,369	
Charges for Service	10	1,044,363	796,656	759,152	
Use of Money & Property	11	501,100	499,700	435,603	
Miscellaneous	12	413,340	378,123	1,505,798	
Subtotal Revenues	13	25,281,883	25,270,164	24,854,544	
Other Financing Sources:					
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14	0	0	0	
Operating Transfers In	15	2,749,545	2,659,202	3,310,004	
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Sales	16	1,500	1,500	39,388	
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17	28,032,928	27,930,866	28,203,936	
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES					
Operating:					
Public Safety and Legal Services	18	7,037,891	6,454,112	4,726,421	22.03
Physical Health and Social Services	19	1,576,783	2,109,875	2,457,892	-19.91
County Environment and Education	21	1,221,363	1,109,197	1,115,278	4.65
Roads & Transportation	22	9,830,293	9,273,956	9,529,400	1.57
Government Services to Residents	23	1,001,031	1,022,296	926,096	3.97
Administration	24	2,993,522	2,724,622	3,422,786	-6.48
Nonprogram Current	25	11,000	10,500	13,270	-8.95
Debt Service	26	922,985	922,785	924,285	-0.07
Capital Projects	27	1,758,000	2,183,807	1,166,619	22.76
Subtotal Expenditures	28	26,352,868	25,811,150	24,282,047	
Other Financing Uses:					
Operating Transfers Out	29	2,749,545	2,659,202	3,310,004	
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	30	0	0	0	
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	31	29,102,413	28,470,352	27,592,051	
Excess of Revenues & Other Sources over (under) Expenditures & Other Uses	32	-1,069,485	-539,486	611,885	
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1,	33	7,389,764	7,929,250	7,317,365	
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budgeting)	34	0	0	0	
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	35	0	0	0	
Fund Balance - Restricted	36	0	0	0	
Fund Balance - Committed	37	0	0	0	
Fund Balance - Assigned	38	0	0	0	
Fund Balance - Unassigned	39	6,320,279	7,389,764	7,929,250	
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30,	40	6,320,279	7,389,764	7,929,250	
Proposed property taxation by type:		Proposed tax rates per \$1,000 taxable valuation:			
Countywide Levies*:	10,171,460	Urban Areas:	8.23061		
Rural Only Levies*:	3,336,444	Rural Areas:	11.93970		
Special District Levies*:	0	Any special district tax rates not included.			
TIF Tax Revenues:	466,190				
Utility Replacement Excise Tax:					

Explanation of any significant items in the budget or additional virtual meeting information:

RESOLUTION 4-20-2026A

The Board of Supervisors of Tama County hereby approves and adopts the 2026-2027 fiscal year budget making the total property taxes levied \$13,507,904. The Board further notes that the budget was published in official newspapers for Tama County and orders the budget to be certified and filed with/by the Tama County Auditor, as required by law.

COUNTY AUDITORS REPORT OF FEES COLLECTED

State of Iowa, Tama County

To the Board of Supervisors of Tama County:

I, Karen Rohrs, Auditor of the above named County and State, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct statement of the fees collected by me in my office for the quarter ending 31-Mar-26 and the same has been paid to the County Treasurer, as per revenue receipt No. RO0166824 hereto attached:

OFFICE FEES

Tax Sale Fees	0.00
Zoning	0.00
Other Office Fees	0.00
Total Office Fees	0.00

OTHER COLLECTIONS

Maps and Plat Books (GIS shapefiles)	458.00
Miscellaneous	28.00
Less replacement check	0.00
Total Other Fees	486.00
TOTAL	486.00

All of which is respectfully submitted

Karen Rohrs
County Auditor



Subscribed and sworn to before me, Maureen Kratoska Notary Public on this 14th day of April, 2026.

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APR 14 2026
TAMA COUNTY AUDITOR
TOLEDO, IOWA 52342

RESOLUTION 4-20-2026B

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING QUALIFYING GUIDELINES FOR THE HOMEBASE IOWA – TAMA COUNTY HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the State of Iowa has established the HomeBase Iowa initiative to attract and retain military service members and veterans within the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, Tama County, Iowa, has previously been designated as a **HomeBase Iowa County**; and

WHEREAS, while Tama County has participated in the HomeBase Iowa program, the Tama County Board of Supervisors has not previously adopted formal written guidelines establishing qualification criteria or benefit amounts for county-level housing assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Tama County Board of Supervisors desires to adopt clear, consistent, and transparent qualifying guidelines for housing assistance provided through the **HomeBase Iowa – Tama County** program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TAMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Section 1. Program Purpose

This resolution establishes qualifying guidelines for housing assistance offered through the **HomeBase Iowa – Tama County** program for eligible current and former members of the United States Armed Forces who relocate to or have recently relocated to Tama County, Iowa.

Section 2. Types of Assistance

Subject to the availability of funds and approval by the Tama County Board of Supervisors, the following assistance may be awarded:

1. Home Purchase Relocation Assistance

A one-time payment of **\$2,500** to eligible applicants who relocate to Tama County, Iowa and qualify under the homeownership provisions of this resolution for a residential property located within Tama County.

2. Home Rental Assistance

A one-time payment of **\$1,250** to eligible applicants who relocate to or have recently relocated to Tama County, Iowa and rent a residential dwelling within the county.

Section 3. Eligibility Requirements

An applicant must meet **all** of the following requirements:

A. Military Service Qualification

- Be a former member of any branch of the United States Armed Forces with a discharge **other than dishonorable, or**
- Be a current member of any branch of the United States Armed Forces, including Active Duty, Reserve, or National Guard status.

B. Residency or Relocation Qualification

- Currently reside outside of Tama County, Iowa; **or**
- Have relocated to Tama County, Iowa within the past **ninety (90) days; or**
- Be actively relocating to Tama County, Iowa.

C. Housing Qualification

1. Home Purchase Assistance

To qualify for home purchase relocation assistance, one of the following conditions must be met:

- The applicant is **listed as an owner on the recorded deed** of a residential property located within Tama County, Iowa; **or**
- The property is **jointly owned**, and the applicant is listed on the recorded deed along with another individual, including a spouse; **or**
- The residential property is titled **solely in the name of the applicant's legal spouse**, provided:
 - The applicant and spouse are legally married at the time of application; and
 - The property serves as the primary residence of the applicant within Tama County, Iowa.

Loan or mortgage documents may be held by the applicant, the spouse, or jointly; however, **ownership interest or spousal ownership as described above shall be required.**

2. Rental Assistance

To qualify for rental assistance:

- The applicant must be a named tenant on the executed lease, **or**
- The lease may be held solely in the name of the applicant's legal spouse, provided the applicant resides in the leased dwelling as their primary residence in Tama County, Iowa.

Section 4. Proof and Verification

Applicants shall submit documentation sufficient to verify eligibility, including but not limited to:

- Proof of military service or current service status;
- Proof of relocation status or prior residence;
- A recorded deed, mortgage documentation, or other ownership records;
- An executed lease agreement, if applying for rental assistance;
- Proof of marital status when qualification relies on spousal ownership or leasing.

No funds shall be distributed until all required documentation has been received and verified by Tama County.

Section 5. Application and Authorization

1. All applicants must submit a completed HomeBase Iowa – Tama County application.
2. Each application shall be considered and approved by **majority vote of the Tama County Board of Supervisors** at a duly noticed public meeting.
3. Assistance is limited to a **one-time award per applicant**, unless otherwise authorized by the Board.

Section 6. Administration

The Tama County Board of Supervisors may direct county staff to administer the HomeBase Iowa – Tama County program and develop application forms, verification procedures, and administrative guidelines consistent with this resolution.

Section 7. Effective Date

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.



TAMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Curt Hilmer, 1st District Supervisor ~ David Turner, 2nd District Supervisor ~ Heather Knebel,
3rd District Supervisor ~ Mark Doland, 4th District Supervisor, Chair ~ Curt Kupka, 5th District Supervisor

HomeBase Iowa – Tama County Participant Application Form

Purpose: This application is for individuals and families seeking to participate in **HomeBase Iowa – Tama County** programs, incentives, or services. Please complete all applicable sections and submit the form to Tama County as instructed.

Section 1: Applicant Information

Full Legal Name: _____

Preferred Name (if different): _____

Date of Birth: _____

Current Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Primary Method of Contact: Phone Email Mail

Section 2: Military Affiliation

Active Duty

Veteran

National Guard / Reserves

Spouse of Service Member

Surviving Spouse

No Military Affiliation

Branch of Service (if applicable): _____

Dates of Service: _____

Section 3: Relocation & Residency

Do you currently reside in Tama County? Yes No

If **No**, please indicate:

Current State/Country of Residence: _____

Planned Move Date to Tama County (if applicable): _____

Primary Reason for Relocating to Tama County:

Employment

Family

Education/Training

- Quality of Life
- Other: _____

Section 4: Employment & Career Information

Current Employment Status:

- Employed Full-Time
- Employed Part-Time
- Self-Employed
- Unemployed
- Student
- Retired

Current or Most Recent Employer: _____

Job Title / Occupation: _____

Industry or Field of Work: _____

Are you seeking employment assistance in Tama County? Yes No

If yes, check all that apply: Job referrals

- Resume assistance
- Employer connections
- Training or certification opportunities

Section 5: Programs & Incentives of Interest

Please indicate which HomeBase Iowa – Tama County programs or services you are interested in:

- Employment & employer matching
- Workforce training or certification programs
- Housing or relocation resources
- Community integration and networking
- County or local incentive programs
- Other (please describe): _____

Section 6: Additional Information

Please provide any additional information that may assist in reviewing your application:

Section 7: Required Attachments (if applicable)

- Resume or CV
- Proof of military service (DD-214 or equivalent)
- Proof of residency or relocation intent
- Other supporting documents: _____

Section 8: Applicant Certification

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that submission of this form does not guarantee acceptance into HomeBase Iowa – Tama County programs or incentives.

Applicant Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Submission Instructions

Please submit the completed application and any required attachments to:

HomeBase Iowa – Tama County

Tama County Administration

LOCATION

Administration Building
104 W. State St.
Toledo, IA 52342

MAILING ADDRESS

P.O. Box 61
Toledo, IA 52342

CONTACT INFORMATION

641-484-2740 ext. 3

Applications may be submitted in person, by mail, or electronically, as directed by Tama County staff. *This form is intended for local use by Tama County in coordination with the State of Iowa HomeBase Iowa initiative.*

RESOLUTION 4-20-2026C

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tama County Board of Supervisors approves the transfer of \$448,420 from the Vienna TIF Fund (0015) to the Debt Service Fund (2100) as requested by the Tama County Auditor.