BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

Meeting Notice

Tama County Board of Supervisors

104 W. State St., Toledo, IA 52342

Mon., Nov. 2, 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 10/26/26 regular minutes

Engineer-road projects report

Discussion/possible action on ECI REC Utility Permit

Discussion/possible action for closed session per Iowa Code 21.5 (1) (c) To discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation

Discussion/possible action on items from the Closed Session

IT projects report

Discussion/possible action to approve participating in Albertsons Opioid Settlement

Discussion/approve claims

New Business:

Discussion/possible action: Supervisor reports

Public comments

Adjourn

Board of Supervisors Minutes
October 26, 2026

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. October 26, 2026. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 2nd District Supervisor, David Turner; 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. Supervisor Turner left the meeting at 9:15 am and joined online.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Karen Murty. Public comment time closed at 8:35 am.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Hilmer to approve the minutes of the October 19th regular meeting. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Engineer Primus gave a roads project report.

Supervisor Turner gave an IT projects report.

Chad Weaver, Tama County Veteran Affair's Director, introduced Fred Oster, who he would like appointed to the Veteran Affair's Commission. Motion by Turner, seconded by Doland to appoint Fred Oster to the Veteran Affair's Commission to fill the vacancy with his term ending June 30, 2027. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Laura Wilson, Tama County Zoning Director/Weed Commissioner, presented the 2026 County Weed Commissioner's Annual Report. Motion by Turner, seconded by Doland to approve the 2026 County Weed Commissioner's Annual Report and authorize the Chairwoman to sign the report. Discussion: The Board discussed how rain could have caused the noxious weeds to grow more this year. It was discussed that next year the commissioner will work more with Sam from Secondary Roads. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A General Election is being held on November 3, 2026. The Board must hold the official canvass of the General Election on Tuesday, November 10, 2026. Motion by Turner, seconded by Hilmer to set the official county canvass of the General Election for Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 8:30 am. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

In Iowa Code 427.9 it states that "The county board of supervisors shall annually send to the department of health and human services the names and social security numbers of persons receiving a tax suspension pursuant to this section". The treasurer informed the Auditor that there are currently three county residents who receive this suspension. Motion by Doland, seconded by Turner to have the auditor, on the Board of Supervisors behalf, send notification to the department

of health and human services the names and social security numbers of the Tama County residents receiving this tax suspension to verify if they are eligible to continue receiving the tax suspension. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The treasurer would like the Board to increase the amount she is able to deposit into the State Bank of Toledo from $15 million to $20 million. Motion by Kupka, seconded by Turner to approve the following resolution. Discussion: This is already a bank that the Treasurer uses and only wants to increase the amount that can be held in it at one time.

RESOLUTION 10-26-2026A

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 amounts as follows:
State Bank of Toledo, Toledo 20,000,000
Roll Call Vote: Hilmer, aye. Turner, aye. Knebel, aye. Doland, aye. Kupka, aye. Resolution passed and adopted this 26th day of October, 2026. Heather Knebel, Chairwoman, Board of Supervisors. Karen Rohrs, County Auditor.

Motion by Turner, seconded by Hilmer to rescind last week's action on the tax refund and to approve a tax refund per Iowa Code 701-100.7 on parcel # 0509176004 in the amount of $865, parcel # 0711151005 in the amount of $671, parcel # 1415379008 in the amount of $3,646, parcel # 0509179001 in the amount of $1,083, parcel # 0911300033 in the amount of $1,757, parcel # 1010300007 in the amount of $4,083, and parcel # 0703377014 in the amount of $1,735 for a total of $13,840 and direct the treasurer to make the refund. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Brian Randall, Tama County Jail Administrator, was present with Chayce Coenen from the Samuels Group to give a presentation of what the process would entail to propose a new jail facility.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Hilmer to approve health claims for payment as presented in the amount of $8,848.00. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Hilmer to approve the regular claims for payment as presented in the amount of $133,372.66. Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

New Business: Supervisor Knebel informed the Board that she had attended the Heartland Risk Pool meeting last week. She stated in November there will be a newly elected officials Zoom meeting and she informed the Board that the annual Heartland Holiday meeting is scheduled to be held on December 10th at the Reinig Center.

Public Comments: Public comments were heard from Karen Murty, Jessica Roby, and Jim Smith. Public comment time closed at 9:34 am.

Paul Greufe, Tama County Human Resources Consultant, was present to discuss a memo he would like to send to the Secondary Road's Union.

The Board has received initial proposals from the E911 & Sheriff's unions. Motion by Doland, seconded by Turner to accept and file the initial proposals from the E911 & Sheriff's unions.

Discussion: None. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Kupka, seconded by Hilmer to go into exempt session. All voted aye. Motion carried. The Board went into exempt session at 10:20 am for discussion regarding the initial union proposals from E911 & Sheriff's unions. Motion by Doland, seconded by Turner to come out of exempt session. All voted aye. Motion carried. The Board came out of exempt session at 10:52 am. No action was taken.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Kupka to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried. Chairwoman Knebel adjourned the meeting at 10:53 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.

Re-codified March 1, 2005

TAMA COUNTY UTILITY PERMIT APPLICATION

This is a Utility Permit Application for telecommunications, electric, gas, water and sewer utilities. The applicant agrees to comply with the following permit requirements. Compliance shall determined by the sole discretion of the County Engineer as deemed necessary to promote public health, safety and the general welfare. These requirements shall apply unless waived in writing by the County Engineer prior to installation.

Applicant Name: ECI REC

Street Address: 2400 Bing Miller Lane

City, State & Zip Code: Urbana, IA 52345

Telephone Number: 319-443-4343

Contact Person: Dane Peterson

1. Location Plan. An applicant shall file a completed location plan as an attachment to this Utility Permit Application. The location plan shall set forth the location of the proposed line on the secondary road system and include a description of the proposed installation.

2. Written or Verbal Notice. At least two working days prior to the proposed installation, an applicant shall file with the County Engineer a notice stating the time, date, location and nature of the proposed installation.

3. Inspection. The County Engineer shall provide a full-time inspector during all permitted work done by a third party contractor. The inspector shall have the right, during reasonable hours and after showing proper identification, to enter any installation site in the discharge of the inspector's official duties, and to make any inspection or test that is reasonably necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare. The cost of providing this inspection service shall be paid by the permit holder upon submission by Tama County of a bill for such services. All requirements listed in section 4 (Requirements), below, shall be met (less written exemptions) regardless of whom actually performs the work.

4. Requirements. The installation inspector shall assure that the following requirements have been met:

A) Construction signing shall comply with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

B) Depth - The minimum depth of cover shall be as follows:

Telecommunications.....36"	Electric.....48"
Gas.....48"	Water.....60"
Sewer.....60"	

If the utility is installed in the road ditch and if the ditch has silted in above the original flow-line, add the depth of silting to the "minimum depth" to obtain the required depth in a particular location.

C) The applicant shall use reference markers in the right of way ("R.O.W") boundary to locate line and changes in alignment as required by the County Engineer. A permanent warning tape shall be placed one (1) foot above all underground utility lines.

D) All tile line locations shall be marked with references located in the R.O.W. line.

E) No underground utility lines shall cross over a crossroad drainage structure.

F) Residents along the utility route shall have uninterrupted access to the public roads. An all-weather access shall be maintained for residents adjacent to the project.

G) A joint assessment of the road surfacing shall be made by the applicant and the County Engineer both before and after construction. After construction, granular surfacing shall be added to the road by the applicant to restore the road to its original condition. After surfacing has been applied, the road surface shall be reviewed by the County Engineer (after the road has been saturated), to determine if additional surfacing on the roadway by the applicant is necessary.

H) All damaged areas within the R.O.W. shall be repaired and restored to at least its former condition by the applicant or the cost of any repair work caused to be performed by the County will be assessed against the applicant.

I) Areas disturbed during construction which present an erosion problem shall be solved by the applicant in a manner approved by the County Engineer.

J) All trenches, excavations, and utilities that are knifed shall be properly tamped.

K) All utilities shall be located between the bottom of the back-slope and the bottom of he fore-slope, unless otherwise approved in writing by the County Engineer prior to installation.

L) Road crossings shall be bored. The minimum depth below the road surface shall match the minimum depth of cover for the respective utility. All entrances with culverts shall either be bored or, the utility shall be placed at least 24" below the bottom elevation of the culvert.

5. Non-Conforming Work. The County Engineer may halt the installation at any time if the applicant's work does not meet the requirements set forth in this Utility Permit.

6. Emergency Work. In emergency situations, work may be initiated by an applicant without first obtaining a Utility Permit. However, a Utility Permit must be obtained within fourteen (14) days of initiation of the work. All emergency work shall be done in conformity with the provisions of this ordinance and shall be inspected for full compliance.

7. County Infraction. Violation of this permit is a county infraction under Iowa Code section 331.307, punishable by a civil penalty of $100 for each violation or if the infraction is a repeat offense a civil penalty not to exceed two hundred dollars for each repeat offense. Each day that a violation occurs or is permitted to exist by the applicant constitutes a separate offense.

8. Hold Harmless. The utility company shall save this County harmless of any damages resulting from the applicant's operations. A copy of a certificate of insurance naming this County as an additional named insured for the permit work shall be filed in the County Engineer's office prior to installation. The minimum limits of liability under the insurance policy shall be $1,000,000.

9. Permit Required. No applicant shall install any lines unless such applicant has obtained a Utility Permit from the County Engineer and has agreed in writing that said installation will comply with all ordinances and requirements of the County for such work. Applicants agree to hold the County free from liability for all damage to applicant's property which occurs proximately as a result of the applicant's failure to comply with said ordinances or requirements.

10. Relocation. The applicant shall, at any time subsequent to installation of utility lines, at the applicant's own expense, relocate or remove such lines as may become necessary to conform to new grades, alignment or widening of R.O.W. resulting from maintenance or construction operations for highway improvements.

DATE 10/19/26

ECI REC
NAME OF COMPANY

Dane Peterson
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE/ POSITION

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

DATE 10/23/2026

TAMA COUNTY ENGINEER

APPROVAL:

DATE _____

CHAIRPERSON,
TAMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Work Order No. 7410 SHEET 2 OF 2



Staking Sheet for Work Order No. 7410

East Central Iowa Rural Electric Cooperative
Iowa 95

LOCATION: 153 04 9
TWP.: 84N **R.:** 13W
MAP REF.: 153 04 9
COUNTY: 86 : Tama

SUBDIV.: LOT:
SUB.: 53 **FEEDER:** 4 **PHASE:**
BREAKER: 53416 **SECT.:**
ACCOUNT NUM.:

CUSTOMER NAME: ADAM SMITH
JOB DESCRIPTION: NEW SERVICE EST SMITH
911 ADDRESS: V AVE
PHONE NUM.: 319 830 4510
740C NUM.:

STAKED BY: Dane Peterson
STAKED DATE: 2025-06-13
SHEET 1 **OF** 2

JOB COMMENTS: NEW SERVICE EST SMITH

0 NewUG 0 feet Source: none Comments: 19624	1 NewUG 139 feet Source: 0 Comments: BORE CREEK AND ROAD	2 NewUG 294 feet Source: 1 Comments:	3 NewUG 5 feet Source: 2 Comments: 0-200-1 W/O MAST ($428)
Existing (1) 35 Existing (1) A1P Existing (1) M2-12A2 **New (1) M2-GR** **New (1) UA1** **Comment:** 10T FUSE	Existing (199) 1/0 JCK **New (130) 2 PLEXCO**	**New (304) 1/0 JCK** **New (1) UG7** **New (1) UM48-1** **New (1) UM6-1** **New (1) UM6-34** **New (1) URD 10 KVA XFMR**	**New (15) 4/0 XLP** **New (1) ServiceLocationNumber** **New (1) UM6-6** **New (1) UM8**

JOB BRIEFING

1.____ Nominal Voltage
2.____ Fault Current Available
3.____ Hazardous Induced Voltage
4.____ Presence of Protective Grounds
5.____ Equipment Grounds
6.____ Pole Condition
7.____ Environmental Conditions
8.____ Location of Line Protective Device
9.____ Other Utilities in the Area
10.____ Personal Protective Equipment
11.____ Traffic Control
12.____ Job Procedure
13.____ Individual Job Duties
14.____ Other Hazards

CREW SIGNATURES

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Comp. Date: _____
WO Schedule: _____

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National Opioid Settlement: Albertsons
Opioids Implementation Administrator opioidsparticipation@rubris.com

To: Tama County, IA
Rubris Reference Number: CL-2265133

TO LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS:

THIS PACKAGE CONTAINS DOCUMENTATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT WITH ALBERTSONS. YOU MUST TAKE ACTION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.

Deadline: December 30, 2026

A new proposed national opioids settlement has been reached with Albertsons ("Settling Defendant"). This participation package is a follow-up communication to the Notice of National Opioids Settlement recently received electronically by your subdivision.

You are receiving this participation package because your state is participating in the new National Opioids Settlement with Albertsons.

This electronic envelope contains:

- A *Participation Form* for the National Opioids Settlement with Albertsons that your subdivision is eligible to join, including a release of any claims.

The *Participation Form* must be executed, without alteration, and submitted on or before December 30, 2026, in order for your subdivision to be considered for initial participation calculations and payment eligibility under the National Opioids Settlement with Albertsons.

Any subdivision that does not participate cannot directly share in the settlement funds, even if the subdivision's state is settling and other participating subdivisions are sharing in settlement funds. Any subdivision that does not participate may also reduce the amount of money for programs to remediate the opioid crisis in its state. Please note, a subdivision will not necessarily directly receive settlement funds by participating; decisions on how settlement funds will be allocated within a state are subject to intrastate agreements or state statutes.

Your subdivision must return a participation form in order for your subdivision to release its claim and receive funds from the National Opioid Settlement with Albertsons.

You are encouraged to discuss the terms and benefits of the National Opioid Settlement with Albertsons with your counsel, your Attorney General's Office, and/or other contacts within your state.

How to return signed forms:

There are three methods for returning the executed Participation Form and any supporting documentation to the Implementation Administrator:

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(1) *Electronic Signature via Docusign:* Executing the Participation Form electronically through Docusign will return the signed form to the Opioids Implementation Administrator and associate your form with your subdivision's record. Electronic signature is the most efficient method for returning the Participation Form, allowing for more timely participation, and is therefore strongly encouraged.
(2) *Manual Signature returned via Rubris Platform Portal:* If your entity is unable to return an executed Participation Form using Docusign, the signed Participation Form may be submitted via the Rubris Platform Portal. Please utilize the link within the New Opioid Settlement Notice email in order to upload your entity's Participation Form directly to the Rubris Platform Portal.
(3) *Manual Signature returned via electronic mail:* If your subdivision is unable to return the executed Participation Form using Docusign, the signed Participation Form may be returned via electronic mail to opioidsparticipation@rubris.com. Please include the name, state, and reference ID of your subdivision in the body of the email and use the subject line Settlement Participation Form – [Tama County, IA] – [CL-2265133].

The sign-on period for subdivisions to participate in the National Opioid Settlement with Albertsons ends on December 30, 2026.

If you have any questions about executing the Participation Form, please contact your counsel, the Opioids Implementation Administrator at opioidsparticipation@rubris.com, or Dan Breitbarth, Assistant Attorney General in the Iowa Office of the Attorney General, at dan.breitbarth@ag.iowa.gov.

Detailed instructions on how to sign and return the Participation Form, including changing the authorized signer, can be found at https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/. You may also contact opioidsparticipation@rubris.com.

Thank you,
National Opioids Implementation Administrator for Albertsons

The Implementation Administrator is retained to provide the settlement notice required by the respective settlement agreement referenced above and to manage the collection of settlement participation forms.

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EXHIBIT K

Subdivision Participation and Release Form

Governmental Entity: Tama County	State: IA
Authorized Official:	
Address 1:	
Address 2:	
City, State, Zip:	
Phone:	
Email:	

The governmental entity identified above ("*Governmental Entity*"), in order to obtain and in consideration for the benefits provided to the Governmental Entity pursuant to the Settlement Agreement dated August 20, 2026 ("*Albertsons Settlement*"), and acting through the undersigned authorized official, hereby elects to participate in the Albertsons Settlement, release all Released Claims against all Released Entities, and agrees as follows.

1. The Governmental Entity is aware of and has reviewed the Albertsons Settlement, understands that all terms in this Participation and Release Form have the meanings defined therein, and agrees that by executing this Participation and Release Form, the Governmental Entity elects to participate in the Albertsons Settlement and become a Participating Subdivision as provided therein.

2. The Governmental Entity shall promptly, and in any event no later than 14 days after the Reference Date and prior to the filing of the Consent Judgment, dismiss with prejudice any Released Claims that it has filed. With respect to any Released Claims pending in *In re National Prescription Opiate Litigation*, MDL No. 2804, the Governmental Entity authorizes the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee to execute and file on behalf of the Governmental Entity a Stipulation of Dismissal with Prejudice substantially in the form found at [website link to national settlement website to be provided].

3. The Governmental Entity agrees to the terms of the Albertsons Settlement pertaining to Participating Subdivisions as defined therein.

4. By agreeing to the terms of the Albertsons Settlement and becoming a Releasor, the Governmental Entity is entitled to the benefits provided therein, including, if applicable, monetary payments beginning after the Effective Date.

5. The Governmental Entity agrees to use any monies it receives through the Albertsons Settlement solely for the purposes provided therein.

6. The Governmental Entity submits to the jurisdiction of the court in the Governmental Entity's state where the Consent Judgment is filed for purposes limited to that court's role as provided in, and for resolving disputes to the extent provided in, the Albertsons

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Settlement. The Governmental Entity likewise agrees to arbitrate before the National Arbitration Panel as provided in, and for resolving disputes to the extent otherwise provided in, the Albertsons Settlement.

7. The Governmental Entity has the right to enforce the Albertsons Settlement as provided therein.

8. The Governmental Entity, as a Participating Subdivision, hereby becomes a Releasor for all purposes in the Albertsons Settlement, including without limitation all provisions of Section X (Release), and along with all departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, districts, instrumentalities of any kind and attorneys, and any person in their official capacity elected or appointed to serve any of the foregoing and any agency, person, or other entity claiming by or through any of the foregoing, and any other entity identified in the definition of Releasor, provides for a release to the fullest extent of its authority. As a Releasor, the Governmental Entity hereby absolutely, unconditionally, and irrevocably covenants not to bring, file, or claim, or to cause, assist or permit to be brought, filed, or claimed, or to otherwise seek to establish liability for any Released Claims against any Released Entity in any forum whatsoever. The releases provided for in the Albertsons Settlement are intended by the Parties to be broad and shall be interpreted so as to give the Released Entities the broadest possible bar against any liability relating in any way to Released Claims and extend to the full extent of the power of the Governmental Entity to release claims. The Albertsons Settlement shall be a complete bar to any Released Claim.

9. The Governmental Entity hereby takes on all rights and obligations of a Participating Subdivision as set forth in the Albertsons Settlement.

10. In connection with the releases provided for in the Albertsons Settlement, each Governmental Entity expressly waives, releases, and forever discharges any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States or other jurisdiction, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to § 1542 of the California Civil Code, which reads:

> **General Release; extent.** A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release that, if known by him or her would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.

A Releasor may hereafter discover facts other than or different from those which it knows, believes, or assumes to be true with respect to the Released Claims, but each Governmental Entity hereby expressly waives and fully, finally, and forever settles, releases and discharges, upon the Effective Date, any and all Released Claims that may exist as of such date but which Releasors do not know or suspect to exist, whether through ignorance, oversight, error, negligence or through no fault whatsoever, and which, if known, would materially affect the Governmental Entities' decision to participate in the Albertsons Settlement.

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11. Nothing herein is intended to modify in any way the terms of the Albertsons Settlement, to which Governmental Entity hereby agrees. To the extent this Participation and Release Form is interpreted differently from the Albertsons Settlement in any respect, the Albertsons Settlement controls.

I have all necessary power and authorization to execute this Participation and Release Form on behalf of the Governmental Entity.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____