

**Board of Supervisors Minutes**  
**December 11, 2023**

The Tama County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. December 11, 2023. Present: 1st District Supervisor, Curt Hilmer; 2nd District Supervisor, Bill Faircloth and 3rd District Supervisor, Dan Anderson.

8:30 – 9:15 Employee/Department Head Time

9:15 – 9:30 Public Comment on Agenda Items. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Supervisors Hilmer, Faircloth, Anderson. Assistant Auditor Karen Rohrs, members of the public. Deputy Sheriff Brian Randal was also present. Comments were heard from the public in favor of the board moving forward and handing the Solar Ordinance draft over to the zoning commission.

9:30 Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve the minutes of the December 4th regular meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried

The Board met with Ben Daleske, Tama County Engineer, to get a road projects report. He asked the supervisors to approve signing a final voucher for a paving project on T47 from E27 to Hwy 96. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Anderson to approve and sign the final voucher. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Tammy Wise, HR/Insurance Administrator, presented employee handbook policy changes that will take effect on January 1, 2024. There was discussion on the cell phone usage policy. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve the policy changes to the Tama County Employee Handbook, except for the cell phone usage policy that the board would like to look into further. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Kayla Kerkove from the Tama County Humane Society presented an animal control contract to the board to be signed. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to approve and sign the animal control contract. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Supervisors discussed the proposed Solar Ordinance. Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Anderson to table the discussion pending action from the Zoning Commission. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to share the draft of the Tama County Solar Ordinance with the counties (Benton, Cedar, Chickasaw, Fayette, Mitchell, Hardin, Mahaska, Van Buren and Decatur) in the Heartland Risk Pool. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hilmer to leave the Christmas holiday time off as was approved on January 2, 2023. County Offices will be closed to observe the Christmas holiday: Christmas Eve, Friday, December 22, and Christmas Day, Monday, December 25. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hilmer, seconded by Anderson to approve the claims for payment as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Faircloth adjourned the meeting at 10:32 a.m.