



**Pre-Legislative Session Discussion & Social Event / Joint Board Meeting Indianola City Council,
Warren County Board of Supervisors, Indianola Community School Board,
Indianola Municipal Utilities Board of Trustees**

January 5, 2023

6:00 PM

Indianola Activity Center 2204 West 2nd Avenue, Indianola, IA 50125

Minutes

Welcome and Introductions

City Manager Ben Reeves welcomed state and local representatives to the meeting.

Pre-Legislative Session Discussion

Iowa State Senator Julian Garrett discussed his goals and priorities for the legislative session, which included education and tax laws.

Iowa House Representative Brooke Boden discussed her goals and priorities for the legislative session, which included education, emergency preparedness, mental health, property taxes and imminent domain.

Local Board Priorities

Warren County Supervisor Crystal McIntyre discussed the impact of legislation on the Treasurer's Office. Warren County Supervisor Mark Snell stated community growth impacts are an important topic, as well as mental health issues.

Indianola Community School Board President Rob Keller outlined the four priorities of the Board – mental health, special education funding, school safety and teacher recruitment. They would also like to work with the City on promoting Indianola as a place to live.

Indianola Municipal Utilities General Manager Chris Des Planques discussed renewable energy and expanding fiber to the rural community.

Mayor Stephanie Erickson stated the primary concerns of the City of Indianola are financial stability of local government through property taxes and LOST revenues and protecting Home Rule. The secondary desire is to increase the gift threshold.

Mayor Pro Tem Steve Richardson provided information regarding property tax assessments and explained some of the information provided.

Rollbacks were discussed among Councilman Richardson, Supervisor Snell and Senator Garrett. Representative Boden spoke in favor of more transparency in property taxes.

Social Event and Adjournment

Stephanie Erickson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jackie Raffety, City Clerk