

Tihpen

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body camera.

“Hall and Steen made entry through the front door of the home while announcing their presence and identifying themselves as law enforcement.

“They directed anyone inside to make their presence known. While making their way toward a hallway leading to the rear of the home to check the bedrooms, officers heard a noise from the kitchen. Upon looking in the kitchen, Hall and Steen observed Jane Doe standing near a doorway that leads to the garage and the basement of the home.

“Doe had her hands raised. Hall described her appearance as ‘terrified.’ Steen described Doe as ‘extremely fearful.’

“When asked where the male subject was, Doe intentionally moved her eyes in such a manner as to attempt to signal to Hall and Steen that he was in the basement.

“Steen escorted Doe out the front door, after which Doe informed Steen that the other subject’s name was Kalen (later identified as Kalen Tihpen).

“Hall and Steen both drew their tasers and made their way down the basement stairs, repeatedly yelling ‘police’ and ordering Tihpen to come out with his hands up.

“The basement of Doe’s home has a dividing wall running down the center of it. Hall and Steen separated and each took a ‘half’ of the basement to sweep.

“When they reconvened at the far end of the basement, they observed two closed doors. Hall attempt-

ed to open one of the doors and immediately felt someone pull it closed from the other side.

“Hall stepped back and aimed his taser at the closed door. Hall heard Tihpen say ‘I’m going to stab you mother---.’ Hall instructed Steen to take cover and draw her pistol.

“Steen took cover behind a support post and aimed her firearm at the door that had been pulled closed. Both officers continued to give verbal commands for Tihpen to come out showing his hands.

“Hall told Tihpen they did not want to hurt him and wanted to help him. Hall radioed that there was a barricaded subject and requested backup.

“Hall then informed Tihpen that backup was on the way. Tihpen responded by threatening to kill officers.

“Tihpen began to partially open the door and peek out. He did this several times. Each time, Tihpen kept his right hand concealed behind his back.

“Eventually, Tihpen opened the door fully and stepped out into the larger room where Hall and Steen were.

“Tihpen continued to conceal his right hand behind his back. Hall could see Tihpen was holding something but could not see what it was.

“Hall deployed his taser, which struck Tihpen, but was ineffective, likely due to the thick sweatshirt Tihpen was wearing. Tihpen pulled the taser dart away with his hand and began walking towards Hall and Steen.

“Hall dropped his taser and drew his firearm. As Tihpen advanced, Hall and Steen backed toward

the stairway, both with their firearms pointed at Tihpen, and continued to order Tihpen to show his hands.

“Hall directed Steen to transition back to her taser.

“As Tihpen came forward, Hall could see what he thought was a large knife in Tihpen’s right hand.

“As Tihpen got close to Steen, he moved his right hand from behind his body. From her vantage point, Steen could see that Tihpen was brandishing a screwdriver.

“Steen deployed her taser, which was again ineffective.

“Tihpen lunged toward Steen while holding the screwdriver in his right hand coming to within approximately two feet of her.

“Hall believed Tihpen intended to kill Steen, Hall discharged his firearm twice from a distance of approximately four feet.

“Hall was uncertain whether the shots hit Tihpen. Tihpen ran up the stairs and out the front door of the residence. Hall and Steen gave chase.

“As Hall and Steen exited the residence, they met National Park Ranger Seth Goodspeed, who was the first backup officer to arrive on scene.

“Doe informed officers that Tihpen had run across the street to the north.

“Goodspeed was wearing his body camera, which captured the events to follow. Officers first searched the backyard of 311 W. Orange Street, then moved to the backyard of 315 W. Orange Street where they approached a detached garden shed.

“As they attempted to

open an access door, they heard movement inside. Upon opening the door, they saw Tihpen moving toward the back of the shed where there was a large roll-up door.

“Officers announced themselves and ordered Tihpen to show his hands. Tihpen picked up several items found in the shed and brandished them as weapons, eventually settling on a golf club.

“It was at this time that Hall noticed Tihpen’s bloody clothing and knew Tihpen had, in fact, been shot.

“Hall made numerous attempts to de-escalate the situation and convince Tihpen to allow them to get him medical aid.

“Backup officers began arriving on scene. Whenever Hall would attempt to approach Tihpen he would raise the golf club.

“With other officers covering Tihpen, Hall went around to the back side of the shed and unlocked the roll-up door.

“As officers were negotiating with Tihpen, Ranger Goodspeed deployed his taser and made good contact.

“Officers outside the shed opened the roll-up door and took Tihpen to the ground. He was quickly handcuffed and officers immediately rendered first aid.

“Upon securing the scene, law enforcement located a Phillips screwdriver on the basement stairs of Doe’s house with a black handle and approximately four-inch-long bit.

“A second Phillips screwdriver was found on the driveway of 311 W. Orange Street.

“The second screwdriver

was identical in appearance to the first but with a blade length of six inches.

“Review of Chief Hall’s dash camera footage revealed Tihpen running across W. Orange Street and across the driveway of 311 W. Orange Street, where he can be seen dropping a shiny object on the driveway where the second screwdriver was found.

“Officers later found a taser wire in the garden behind 311 W. Orange Street and a shoe impression in a raised garden bed near the fence between 311 W. Orange Street and 315 W. Orange Street.

“It is believed Tihpen crossed the fence in this location before entering the detached shed behind 315 W. Orange Street.

“Hall later viewed photographs of the screwdrivers that were recovered and indicated they were consistent with what Hall saw in Tihpen’s hand as Tihpen advanced toward he and Steen in the basement.

“Hall reiterated that at the time he believed it was a knife.

“Doe’s grandmother later identified the screwdrivers as part of a set that had been given to Doe. Doe reported the tools were stored in the basement of the home.

“During an interview on June 3, 2026, Doe told investigators that when Hall and Steen knocked on the door, Tihpen bear hugged her and tried to keep her from opening the door.

“Doe was able to free herself and Steen told her to wait outside.

“From outside the home, Doe heard officers give Tihpen multiple warnings and tell him to

come out.

“Doe heard officers tell Tihpen he would be tased. Doe thought she heard officers tell Tihpen to ‘drop it’ and then heard two gunshots.

“Shortly after, Tihpen ran past her saying “[Redacted], they shot me.” Tihpen then ran across the street and Doe directed Hall and Steen toward his direction of travel.

“Tihpen was taken by ambulance to the University of Iowa Hospital. He underwent multiple surgeries and was discharged to the custody of the Cedar County Sheriff’s Office on June 18, 2026, where he currently remains on bond for three charges alleging violation of the sex offender registry.

“While being transferred from the trauma bay to the operating room, Tihpen apologized to law enforcement for what happened.

“When interviewed at the hospital while recovering from surgery, Tihpen indicated he did not remember anything from the incident on June 3, 2026.

“When interviewed at the Cedar County jail on June 18, 2026, Tihpen had no memory of the incident on June 3rd until waking up in the hospital and being told he had been shot.

“Tihpen said he knows he would not have been armed and would not have been threatening or trying to harm officers and that there would have been no reason to go ‘hands on’ with him.

“Potential additional charges against Tihpen remain under investigation.”

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TIPTON, IOWA June 23, 2026

Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. June 23, 2026 with following members present: Bixler, Barnhart, Kaufmann(via phone), and Chairperson Bell. Gaul absent. Minutes reported by Deputy Auditor Hamdorf. Members of public were also present.

Board viewed correspondence from various agencies. Manure Management Annual Updates submitted.

It noted following Handwritten Disbursement issued on 6/19/2026 to Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #446147 for \$6,288.05-self funded medical claims. Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to approve agenda.

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul
Moved by Bixler seconded by Barnhart to approve Board Minutes of June 16, 2026.

Ayes: All
Abstain: Barnhart
Absent: Gaul

Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to approve Claim Disbursements #445929 - #446146 paid on 6/18/2026.

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul

A Handwritten Disbursement issued on 6/18/2026 for Visa Check #446137 due to a check correction in amount of \$5,880.72. Check #446137 in amount of \$6,488.43 voided.

Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Bixler that Board of Supervisors grant permission to Cedar County Pioneer Cemetery Commission to work within pioneer sections of non-pioneer cemeteries per Iowa Code 331.325(3)(d).

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul

Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to appoint James McCollough to Pioneer Cemetery Commission for a term expiring on 12/31/2028.

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul

Finance Director Dauber provided Board with an up-to-date worksheet regarding ARPA Funds.

Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to approve and authorize Chairperson Bell to sign Appropriation Resolution FY25/26

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul

Moved by Barnhart seconded by Kaufmann to approve and authorize Chairperson Bell to sign FY26/27 Appropriation Resolution

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul

Discussion held on transfer from General Basic (Conservation Department) to Conservation Land Acquisition Trust and Capital Improvement Fund. Conservation Director Petersen will need to ask Board next week if this is something that needs to be done and have Finance Director Dauber to create a Resolution next week also.

Moved by seconded by to approve FY26/27 Salary letters once dates have

been corrected to reflect FY26/27.

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul
Chairperson Bell asked if anyone had any appointments for Cedar County Eminent Domain Commission. Deputy Auditor Hamdorf informed Board that Jessica Marolf is interested but has questions. Bell said he would call her to answer any questions she has.

Moved by Bixler seconded by Barnhart to approve and authorize Chairperson Bell to sign corrective Resolution FY26/27 Elected Official Compensation Schedule for County Auditor Stipend.

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul
Moved by Bixler seconded by Barnhart to renew a 12-month Class C retail Alcohol License with outdoor service and living quarters for Buchanan House Winery.

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul
Moved by Barnhart seconded by Kaufmann to renew a Class E Retail Alcohol License for T.J's Gas & Grub effective 8/1/2026.

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul
Moved by Bixler seconded by Barnhart to approved and authorize Chairperson Bell to sign Resolution to abate taxes on mobile homes and buildings that are no longer there.

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul
Moved by Bixler seconded by Barnhart to approve Secondary Roads Union Contract.

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul, Kaufmann

Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to approve Secondary Roads Supplemental Employee Handbook.

Ayes: All
Absent: Gaul, Kaufmann

Moved by Bixler seconded by Barnhart to approve a utility permit for Liberty Communications for Rochester Bridge and waive \$100 fee.

Ayes: All
Absent: Kaufmann, Gaul

Nicki Welch, Auditor
Jon Bell, Chairperson C27

Cedar County Claims

6/18/2026
General Basic Fund
38.00 Advanced Business Systems
copies
4173.50 Advanced Correctional med
29.82 Amazon Capital Services battery
1046.46 AT&T Mobility phone
2233.89 Aureon Alliance Connect,LLC
phone
99.55 Melissa Bahnsen mil
40.00 Rob Bohnsack mtg
40.00 Yvonne Bright mtgs
40.00 Joel Brown mtgs
188.41 Cedar County COOP DEF
200.00 Darrow Center well
32.00 Citizens Savings Bank lockbox
100.00 Ken Coffey boots
41.25 Bobbie Conrad-Marion mil
1901.60 Conservative Publishing legal
11869.35 Consolidated Management
Co meals
400.00 Crist Construction well
726.50 Mike Dauber mthly svc
741.40 Robert Davison
guardianship
145.20 Sandy Delaney mil
122.45 Des Moines Stamp stamp
100.15 Madison Dies meals
691.83 Eastern IA Light&Power util
6200.00 Frytown Trailers trailer
209.24 Galls Inc clothing
1260.00 Government Forms and Suppl-
ies envelopes
25.72 H & H Auto oil chg
125.40 Patricia Hamann mil
200.00 Brenda Hansen mtgs
40.00 Robert Hartman mtgs
50.89 Pam Hartwig mil
193.05 Dylan Haub mil

48.70 Robin Housley mil
48.70 Shelly Howsare mil
1609.50 Ia Dept Of Public Safety
NCIC pymt
997.00 IA Health Care Assoc training
50.00 IACVS Shelby Veterans Affairs
dues
75.00 Iowa Law Enforcement Academy
training
1170.81 Iowa Paper paper
118.50 Iowa Prison Industries signs
550.00 ISAC conference
250.00 ISACA TREASURER
Conference
50.90 Bruce Jeffries mil
324.53 Johnson Co. Medical Examiner
ME

621.29 Karl Emergency Vehicles
equip
100.00 John Kirkman mtgs
2901.27 KMDE, LLC solar
700.00 Jeff Laing well plug
352.50 Elite Service Group, Inc
AC repair
12693.00 Mainstay Systems of Iowa
LLC contract
426.38 McKesson Medical - Surgical
test kit

192.42 Menards supplies
240.09 Duane Moeller mil
700.00 Matt Nash well plug
14.49 ODP Business Solutions, LLC
rubber band

85.93 Office Express imaging
647.75 Reserve Account postage
600.00 Joshua Pruitt, MD case fee
72.86 PS3 Enterprises Inc rental
68.24 Ron Alpen Ford, Inc oil chg
92.40 Rick Rouse mtgs
40.00 Chris Scheer mtgs
14300.00 Schneider Geospatial, LLC
Contracted

60.00 Julie Schroeder clerk
496.56 Schumacher Elevator maint
2032.85 Secondary Road Fund fuel
180.00 Greg Shuger mtg
4830.00 SilverStone Group LLC Hub
GASB 75

1823.00 State Hygienic Laboratory
sampling
54.20 Michael Stigers mil
40.00 T & M Clothing uniform
100.00 Robert Timmsen mtgs
174.97 Tipton Electric Motors, Inc equip
50.60 Julie Tischuk mil
159.51 Uniform Den Inc uniform
25.71 US Cellular phone
40.00 Penny Vacek mtgs
254.42 Vests mats/mops
8809.05 VISA/Bankers Bank mtgs
140.00 Christine Weber mtgs
60.00 Glen Weber mtgs
146.30 Teresa Wendt mil
860.50 West Branch Times legal
American Rescue Plan Act Fund
11426.82 Menards building

General Supplemental Fund
160.00 Teresa Agne peo
75.30 Cory Barclay runner
196.95 Marilyn Carney peo
50.00 Joleen Carpenter peo
127.00 Kathryn Clapham peo
242.00 Joy Combs peo
229.90 Ashley Conrad peo
769.50 Conservative Publishing legal
209.70 Deb Cook peo
73.10 Brady Dierks runner
177.60 Deborah Donohoe peo
190.90 Wayne Frauenholtz peo
184.80 Richard Frauenholz peo
175.00 Judith Frisch peo
200.20 Denise Goetz peo
72.00 Dawson Hamdorf runner
196.50 Ashley Hansen peo
218.50 Carolyn Hansen peo
20.00 Vicki Harkins peo
101.50 Pam Hartwig peo
288.20 Lynne Haub peo
188.10 Sharon Hodgden peo
192.00 Barry Hoffmeier peo
192.00 Julie Hoffmeier peo
186.50 Sarah Horgen peo
1953.00 Iowa Precint Atlas printers
209.10 Barbara Jipp peo
196.50 Amber Kelsey peo
214.50 Kim Kelsey peo
20.00 Thomas Ketelsen peo
50.00 Sharon Kleppe peo
69.80 Kevin Knoche runner
271.70 Julie Kraklio peo
174.30 Patricia Lehrman peo
67.05 Jodine Lovell peo
208.60 Lynne Lundberg peo

168.30 Mary Marchik peo
191.00 Linda Mowry peo
165.00 William Mueller peo
142.50 Crystal Myrvik peo
170.00 Theresa Oakley peo
83.80 Jane Osborn peo
201.40 Mindy Eckert Ousley peo
206.00 Mark Patton peo
200.90 Cheryl Peitscher peo
191.00 Marlene Perkins peo
226.20 Janette Pettus peo
201.40 Virginia Popham peo
315.70 Deborah Pruess peo
201.40 Denise Reynolds peo
192.00 Jonica Ries peo
211.90 Helen Schabillon peo
180.00 Jo Ann Schneekloth peo
237.00 Teri Schnelle peo
165.00 Renee Schultz peo
204.20 Gwen Senio peo
227.40 Debra Sheldon peo
4080.00 S.I.A.D.S.A. Lee/Lucas
detention

220.11 Shellie Striegel peo
176.60 Jodi Suchomel peo
206.00 Thomson Reuters-West Pay-
ment info chrg
191.45 Peggy Trosper peo
769.50 West Branch Times legal
201.45 Margaret Wick peo
170.00 Devalyn Wilson peo
253.55 Jody Yutesler peo

Rural Services Basic Fund
26.87 Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC
phone
925.20 Quest 8 Blue Lagoon Car Wash
washes
63.23 H & H Auto oil chg
552.00 Iowa City Tire, Inc tires
3668.63 Secondary Road Fund fuel
25.72 US Cellular phone
EMS-Essential Srv(Ambulance)
185.89 AT&T Mobility phone
1000.00 DRSE, LLC EMS

Contract
475.00 Karl Emergency Vehicles
wiring
168.86 Secondary Road Fund fuel
Secondary Road Fund
692.30 Altorfer Inc Parts
225.52 Jeric Armstrong Safety
52.98 Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC
Phone

5743.94 Bauer Built Tires
120209.85 Binns & Stevens Explosives
Calcium Chloride
24333.68 Cedar County COOP
Gasoline
217.08 City of Tipton Util
289.75 CJ Cooper & Assoc
Safety testing
16.40 Dultmeier Sales Spraying
1730.00 Eastern Iowa Tire Inc Tires
26.17 Grainger Parts Inc. W.W.
Shop tools

79.98 GTG Peterbilt of Davenport Parts
792.00 H & H Auto Tires
625.00 Iowa State University
Motorgrader
275.00 ISAC ISAC
61165.04 Jim Schroeder Construction
L-202401--73-16
418.12 Thiesen's Bolts
3150.00 Kluesner Cosntruction Inc
Bridges
333.40 Liqui-Grow of Tipton Seed and
Fertilizer
141.54 Mutual Wheel Company Corp.
Parts

147.02 Genuine Parts Company Inc
NAPA Parts
137.50 Perry Pelzer Safety
113.44 Phelps the Uniform Specialists
Sundry
1278.05 River Products Company Rock
65019.45 Riverstone Group, Inc Rock
250.00 Joel Rouse Safety
243.90 Jason Schroeder
Safety clothing
211.71 Sinclair Tractor Filters
971.40 Rebecca Lawin McCarley
SPARK Consultants fee #1
131749.32 Stone City Quarries Rock
1300.00 The Powder Shop, Inc
services

150.00 Toby Thurston Safety
12.72 Tipton Electric Motors, Inc
Shipping
317.03 OES Global Inc Traffic Cones
Signs
19.79 US Cellular Phone
250.00 Brad Wendel Safety
172.22 Pat Wood Safety

Transfer Station Fund
30.97 Thiesen's towels
Cedar Co Health Fund
2154.75 Benefits, Inc. mthly
8075.74 CEDAR COUNTY TREASUR-
ER ACH self funded med
Conservation Trust Fund
392.64 Amazon Capital Services
handouts
18.99 Brothers Market, LLC food
Reserve Officer Fund
1903.90 Uniform Den Inc uniform
Early Childhood Ia-Cedar/Jones
590.00 Bennett Comm. School
Scholarships
500.00 Durant Community Schools
scholarships

6545.83 Grant Wood AEA CART
2313.20 Hawkeye Area Community
Action Head Start
1813.07 Sherri R. Hunt mil
7351.30 Jones County Auditor Salary
960.00 Little Panther Preschool
Scholarships
3279.56 Lutheran Services in Iowa
PAT-LSI
250.00 North Cedar CSD Lowden
Scholarships

50.00 North Cedar CSD Mechanicsville
Scholarships
480.00 Olin Community School
Scholarships
75.00 Sacred Heart Preschool

Scholarships
183.33 St. Patrick's Preschool
Scholarships
6856.48 Young Parents Network
PAT-YPN
Jnt Disaster Serv.Fund
31.19 Amazon Capital Services case
231.75 AT&T Mobility phone
424.81 Crist Electrical Serv sign light
3250.00 Linn County Hazmat Hazmat
1065.00 Mainstay Systems of Iowa LLC
renewal
81.93 Secondary Road Fund fuel
7.51 Verizon river gauge
E911
200.00 Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC
phone
134.51 Dubuque County 911 util
3.00 CenturyLink Lumen data
Assessor
25.27 Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC
phone
22.50 Cari Dauber meal
275.00 ISAC conference
300.00 Northwest District ISAA Lori
training
25.54 Secondary Road Fund fuel
3180.00 Vanguard Appraisals Inc
archive
257.75 VISA/Bankers Bank hotel
607008.19 Grand Total
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