

APRIL 12, 2021

The Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, met. Present were Supervisors Determann, Irwin and Srp. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

9:00 A.M. Review Correspondence and Claims Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance

9:15 A.M. Formal Action & Motions Claims were approved unanimously

Coronavirus/COVID-19 update: County Community Health Manager Michelle Cullen reported cases are staying steady. She said there were 60 new cases reported in the last seven days which is about the same as the last three weeks. Hospitalizations have held steady in the 60s in the region with 26 at Genesis and three at Mercy. Cullen said the positivity rate is at 8.7% down from 9.5% last week. She said there are currently 320 active cases in the County. Cullen added that 21% of residents older than 18 in the County have completed the series and 12% that have started the series. She was asked about the County getting to 50% vaccinated in the County. She hoped that would be by the end of May. Cullen is concerned that vaccine hesitancy may hit around 40%, but they will continue to offer the clinics for the vaccination.

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution #2021-89 through #2021-93 were approved on the Consent Agenda:

RESOLUTION #2021-89

WHEREAS, Clinton County and the Treasurer for Clinton County, Iowa, are named Respondents in Iowa Code 657A proceedings for the following property: 809 15th Avenue S, Clinton, IA (EQCV047332)

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Attorney requests authorization on behalf of the County to entry of an Order (in the above-listed case) Disclaiming Interest in the above-listed property and Consent to entry of an Order awarding title to this property to the City of Clinton; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Clinton County Board of Supervisors authorizes Clinton County Attorney, Michael Wolf, on behalf of Clinton County to consent to entry of Order in favor of the City of Clinton in the above 657A actions filed awarding title of the above-listed property to the City of Clinton, Iowa, free and clear of any claims, liens, or encumbrances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Clinton County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Clinton County Treasurer, upon each entry of Judgment by the Court in favor of the City of Clinton in the above 657A actions filed, to make an entry in the county system canceling any tax sale certificate of purchase liens against the property and shall refund tax sale purchase money to the tax sale certificate holder(s) as named in the 657A actions.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; Determann: Yes. Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION #2021-90

BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to stop issuance of biweekly paychecks on the General Basic Fund, Veterans Affairs Office, to Edward Gaudet, after accrued benefits are paid effective after this last day of employment on March 26, 2021.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; Determann: Yes. Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION #2021-91

WHEREAS, Jill McDonald has submitted her resignation effective April 30, 2021, as Assistant to the Auditor in the Clinton County Auditor's Office; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to stop issuance of biweekly paychecks on the General Basic Fund, Auditor's Office, to Jill McDonald, with accrued benefits to be transferred to the County Engineer's Office effective after this last day of service in the Auditor's Office April 30, 2021.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; Determann: Yes. Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION #2021-92

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, having adopted "Regulations for Non-Union County Engineer's Personnel" applicable to the employment of non-union personnel; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to make certain changes in the regulation as to the employment status and/or addition of non-union employees; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that the following change is made: Approve the appointment of Jill McDonald, as Office Manager (transfer from County Auditor's Office), effective May 3, 2021, at an hourly rate of pay of \$26.00.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; Determann: Yes. Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION #2021-93

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Attorney plans to employ a part-time Investigator in the County Attorney's office; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Attorney has approved the application of Thomas Bohle who meets the qualifications; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Attorney’s Office shall employ Thomas Bohle for 29 hours per week (average per quarter), at \$25 per hour, starting on April 13, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to issue biweekly pay warrants on the General Basic Fund without further action of this Board should the matching funds be approved by the Iowa Attorney General’s Office.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; Determann: Yes.

Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION #2021-94

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 309.22 and Section 309.93 Code of Iowa, it is required that a County Secondary Road Budget and Five-Year Construction Program be adopted by the Board of Supervisors, on or before April 15th of each year; and

WHEREAS, such a budget and program setting forth the amounts to spend on the various items of construction and maintenance for the said year, has been prepared; and

WHEREAS, said budget and program are subject to the approval of the Iowa Department of Transportation; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that said budget and program as set forth in detail be and are hereby adopted and that same be submitted to the Iowa Department of Transportation for their approval.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; Determann: Yes.

Tom Determann, Chairperson

DEPARTMENT HEADS, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

County Auditor Eric Van Lancker reported he expects to receive a proposal this week for a county-wide broadband study which he will present to the Board as soon as he receives it. He reminded the Board of its 6 p.m. meeting Wednesday night at the Calamus-Wheatland Activity Center to discuss the future of the bridges along old Highway 30 between Calamus and Wheatland. Van Lancker said he is working with the assistant to the Jackson County Board of Supervisors in regards to making an appointment to the Miles Benefited Fire District. He said eventually a joint resolution to make the appointment will be needed for the Board and the Jackson County Board for the appointment. County Attorney Mike Wolf said he will be one of the representatives from around the state of Iowa to meet with the Iowa Attorney General to discuss the payout of the settlement funds in the opioid litigation. Wolf said all the Counties will have to sign off on the settlement agreement. He said the first meeting of that group is this week.

Supervisor Irwin said the Pioneer Cemetery is still looking for a treasurer. Irwin said he has sent several emails out to legislators about his concerns with SF587 in regards to the elimination of the backfill to government entities. Irwin said this plan would provide the region with about \$2 million more that could help the County’s region meet the mandated services.

Supervisor Srp will attend another RAGBRAI planning meeting in Goose Lake this week.

County Treasurer Dustin Johnson said last week saw \$800,000 in property tax collections after the due date of March 31. He said he has had conversations with those with larger outstanding payments as the tax sale is happening in June. He said there is \$2.3 million in current collections outstanding and \$444,000 from the previous year. He said of those, four parcels have about \$900,000 of that delinquency. He said a lot of property tax payers have caught up with their payments.

The Board of Supervisors approved the following claim be allowed and check issued on the various funds in payment thereof:

Vendor	Payable Description	Payment Amount	Fund	Expense Amount
PEANUT BUTTER INC	APRIL 2021 PAYMENT	\$3,540.00	0001 GENERAL BASIC	\$3,540.00
	Grand Total:	\$3,540.00	Grand Total:	\$3,540.00

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; Determann: Yes.

Motion carried.

I, Eric Van Lancker, Clinton County Auditor, do hereby certify this to be a complete and accurate list of all claims presented to the Clinton County Board of Supervisors on this date. Signed: Eric Van Lancker, Clinton County Auditor

The Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet on Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Calamus-Wheatland Activity Center, 110 E Park Rd., Wheatland, IA.

Eric Van Lancker, County Auditor

Tom Determann, Chairperson

-APPROVED-

County Auditor

Chairperson