

APRIL 26, 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 only 41 cases were reported in the last seven days which is less than the last couple of weeks. There are 344 active cases in the County. She said hospitalizations are at 51 with Genesis having 14 and Mercy reporting five. Cullen said a death of a person older than 80 was reported last week. She said the positivity rate is 8%, down from 8.9% last week. Cullen said the vaccination rate is making slow steady strides with 9.3% of the County population starting the series and 27% have completed the series. She said 170 people received the vaccination during a clinic last week at the County Administration Building.

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution #2021-102 through #2021-105 were approved on the Consent Agenda:

RESOLUTION #2021-102

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

WHEREAS, it is necessary to make certain changes in the regulation as to the appointment of non-union employees; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that the following changes are made: Approve the appointment of Jesse A. Dau for the position of Seasonal Maintenance Worker, at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, effective April 14, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to issue bi-weekly paychecks on the Conservation Maintenance & Operation Fund – Wages of Temp & Part Time Employees in payment of wages without further order of the Board.

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION #2021-103

WHEREAS, there is a vacant Secretary III position in the County Attorney’s Office; now

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that the appointment of Kristin Samuelson as a full-time Secretary III in the County Attorney’s Office, be and is hereby approved with a pay grade 6 (in handbook) \$18.28—18.74—19.20 per hour, with an effective date of May 3, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to issue biweekly pay checks from the General Basic Fund without further action of this Board.

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION #2021-104

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Auditor is an elected official and the Board of Supervisors does not consider nor appoint personnel for elected officials, but need to authorize payroll for the County Auditor; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to issue biweekly paychecks on the General Fund, Office of Auditor, to Kehly Kennedy Ivory, as a full-time Auditor’s Office Manager. This will be in effect at an annual rate of \$66,654 with a starting date of appointment of May 3, 2021.

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION #2021-105

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Auditor is an elected official and the Board of Supervisors does not consider nor appoint personnel for elected officials, but need to authorize payroll for the County Auditor; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to issue biweekly paychecks on the General Fund, Office of Auditor, to Rebecca Weaver, as a full-time Auditor’s Office Deputy with an adjusted annual rate of \$64,457 with a starting date of adjustment of May 3, 2021.

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION #2021-106

WHEREAS, the fiscal year 2020-2021 budget for Clinton County requires a budget amendment as allowed

per conditions under Iowa Code 331.435; and

WHEREAS, it is required per Iowa Code 331.435, Iowa Code 331.434(3) and Iowa Code 331.434(4) to set a time and place for a public hearing on the fiscal year 2020-2021 budget amendment to allow taxpayers to present objections to or arguments in favor of any part of the budget amendment; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that a public hearing be held on Monday, May 17, 2021, at 9:45 a.m. in person at the Clinton County Administration Building at 1900 N 3rd St., Clinton, IA; and electronically and the public may participate by phone by dialing 1-408-418-9388 and entering the access code 623839162 or the public may also join through the internet by following this web address: <https://globalpage-prod.webex.com/join> and enter meeting Code: 623839162 and then password clinton23; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditor is hereby directed to cause a publication to be made of a notice of the meeting in the official county newspapers and that such publication to be not less than 10 nor more than 20 days before the date of the public meeting on the fiscal year 2020-2021 budget amendment.

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

MOTION by Supervisor Srp to authorize the Chairperson to sign the town contracts to provide law enforcement patrol by the Clinton County Sheriff's Office for fiscal year 2022.

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

Motion carried.

MOTION by Supervisor Srp to approve the final plans for Bridge Replacement Project No. BHS-SWAP-C023(118)-FC-23, on 210th Ave. over Drainage Ditch 5, by placing their signatures on said plans.

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

Motion carried.

GENERAL PUBLIC

Francis Boggus, Hometown Pride Coach, encouraged the Board to repair the old Highway 30 overflow bridge. He said grants will be sought to help with refurbishing the bridges for recreational purposes. He provided an update on projects going on throughout the County.

DEPARTMENT HEADS, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

County Auditor Eric Van Lancker reported the ISAC committee he was asked to be a part of to research and make recommendations in regards to the use of Rescue funds sent to Iowa counties will meet on Friday. He added the roof replacement on the west wing of the building was to begin today.

Supervisor Irwin said the mental health bill in Des Moines appears to be held up. He said the region sent a letter to all of the legislators in the area against the bill.

County Treasurer Dustin Johnson said \$2.5 million is currently delinquent from 2018 & 2019 tax years. He said there are a few large ones delinquent and more over \$10,000. He said the numbers would be less with a tax sale last year, but there will be a tax sale this year to cover both years. Johnson said he plans to conduct the tax sale online.

County Conservation Director Phil Visser reported all the campgrounds and facilities are open. He said they are anticipating a busy year. He said the higher-end cabins at Rock Creek are reserved through the summer.

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

Creek Name Change Update: Chairman Determann said the geological entity would like to know if the Board supports changing the name of the Creek to Berlin Creek. Srp explained the name comes from Center Township once being named Berlin Township.

MOTION by Supervisor Srp to authorize the chair to provide a formal response in support of the proposed renaming to Berlin Creek.

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

Motion carried.

911/Communications Update: Communications Director Eric Dau reported a majority of radios are in the field. He said they are trying to make arrangements to install equipment in some of the volunteer fire department vehicles. Dau said a tower location at the former solid waste dump site in Clinton was reviewed. It appears it is less than ideal due to various factors. He said he has been working with the EICC where they have a tower they once used near Clinton Community College. He said TMobile uses it now and is working on upgrading the tower to 5G. He said a structural analysis is expected to be in favor of that site. Dau said they will get that report back this week. He said EICC is open to renting portions of the tower to the County. He said a similar arrangement is made in Muscatine County and it appears reasonable. Dau said this appears to be the best option now. He said issues with the previous tower can be addressed this time around. He said there is also a potential lease site location in the Andover area that could be used. He said the Andover area tower could bolster some weak spots in the County. He said they are working to move the mobile tower at the Clinton pool. Dau said they are working on moving it to an area at ADM.

He said that move will cost about \$70,000. However, some of that equipment could be used on the leased towers down the road.

CCJCC Budget Update: Supervisor Srp said CCJCC met last week. He said the JCC determined it has a budget, but the proposed resource center does not have a budget. He said the JCC talked about financially supporting the resource center with its current funds. Srp said there is nothing to fund yet, but something could still be identified. He said he wanted to bring this to the Board to make sure it was ok with that funding use. The Board generally agreed it would be acceptable. Irwin said it was suggested that an extra camera be installed in that area.

10:20 A.M. Old Highway 30 Bridge

County Engineer Todd Kinney again reviewed the options for the Supervisors that were presented at previous meetings. Options include vacating the road with the closed bridges; close the bridges and build an access road; repair or replace the overflow bridge. Irwin said none of the property owners are interested in selling. Kinney said the Board won't know the amount of damages until going through the process. Kinney said the County Attorney should probably be involved in working with the property owners to determine temporary damages. Irwin said the property owners are working well with the County to limit damages. Kinney said he would work with the County Attorney to obtain damage agreements with the property owners.

Rita Hart, Wheatland, has been working with the Hometown Pride committees. She said creating this recreational opportunity will improve the quality of life for residents in those areas and also attract more people in those areas for recreation/tourism.

MOTION by Supervisor Irwin to direct the County Engineer to move forward with design for rehabilitating the Old Highway 30 overflow bridge and to work with the County Attorney to determine temporary damages with property owners.

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

Motion carried.

11:25A.M. Closed Session per Code of Iowa 21.5(1)(c)

MOTION by Supervisor Srp to enter into a closed session per Code of Iowa 21.5(1)(c).

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

Motion carried. The Board entered into a closed session at 11:25 a.m.

Chairman Determann adjourned the closed session at 12:01 p.m.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet on Monday, May 3, 2021.

Eric Van Lancker, County Auditor

Tom Determann, Chairperson

-APPROVED-

County Auditor

Chairperson