

MAY 10, 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 27 new cases in the last seven days and only five in last three days. She said hospitalizations have remained consistent with last month with 51 in the region including 16 at Genesis and three at Mercy. Cullen said the positivity rate is down to 6.4% from 7%. She said the vaccination rate is at 38%, but demand for the shots are decreasing. She said Public Health is starting walk in clinics this week and also starting homebound patients this week. Cullen anticipates the CDC may soon start allowing shots for people as young as 12 years old. The Board discussed the mask policy in County buildings and has decided to keep its current policies in place and continue to monitor CDC and OSHA guidelines.

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 2021-113 through 2021-120 and one (1) Motion were approved on the Consent Agenda:

RESOLUTION 2021-113

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 Dillon Peyton for the position of Park Supervisor, at the rate of \$21.11 per hour, effective May 10, 2021; and

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

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2021-114

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 Kyle Redmond for the position of Park Supervisor, at the rate of \$21.11 per hour, effective May 10, 2021; and

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

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2021-115

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 Zachary Schutte for the position of seasonal concession worker, at the rate of \$10.00 per hour, effective May 9, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to issue bi-weekly paychecks on the Rock Creek Enterprise Fund in payment of wages without further order of the Board.

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2021-116

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 Baylor Crigger for the position of seasonal maintenance worker, at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, effective May 17, 2021

Approve the appointment of Anton Green for the position of seasonal maintenance worker, at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, effective May 04, 2021

Approve the appointment of Patrick Hanrahan for the position of seasonal maintenance worker, at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, effective May 27, 2021

Approve the appointment of David Hendrickson for the position of seasonal maintenance worker, at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, effective May 24, 2021

Approve the appointment of Zachary Hughes for the position of seasonal maintenance worker, at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, effective May 17, 2021; and

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 2021-117

WHEREAS, Dorothy J. Koepp has petitioned for property tax suspension under provision of Code of Iowa, Section 427.8, on the following described property: 2418 Chancy Street, Clinton, IA Parcel #82-02860000

WHEREAS, the eligibility for said suspension has been verified by Kim Ralston, CAP Director.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that tax suspension [for the collection of taxes, special assessments, and rates or charges, including interest, fees and costs] be and is hereby approved and the County Treasurer is authorized to make entry on the records accordingly, all under provision of Section 427.8, Code of Iowa.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that tax suspension under provision of Section 427.8, Code of Iowa, is for the 2020 Assessment Year and all prior years and it is the responsibility of the petitioning taxpayer to reapply for further tax suspension.

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2021-118 Discussion: There was discussion about the County's policy for tax suspensions as it relates to credits and total amounts owed through tax suspensions. The Board decided it would approve the tax suspension, but would like to review the policy soon.

#### RESOLUTION 2021-118

WHEREAS, Carmen Kuchlenz has petitioned for property tax suspension under provision of Code of Iowa, Section 427.8, on the following described property: 5116 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Camanche, IA Parcel #10-18180000

WHEREAS, the eligibility for said suspension has been verified by Kim Ralston, CAP Director.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that tax suspension [for the collection of taxes, special assessments, and rates or charges, including interest, fees and costs] be and is hereby approved and the County Treasurer is authorized to make entry on the records accordingly, all under provision of Section 427.8, Code of Iowa.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that tax suspension under provision of Section 427.8, Code of Iowa, is for the 2020 Assessment Year and all prior years and it is the responsibility of the petitioning taxpayer to reapply for further tax suspension.

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

#### RESOLUTION 2021-119

WHEREAS, Clinton County and the Treasurer for Clinton County, Iowa, are named Respondents in Iowa Code 657A proceedings for the following property: 655 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Clinton, IA (EQCV047441)

920 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Clinton, IA (EQCV047451) 924 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Clinton, IA (EQCV047451)

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 2021-120

WHEREAS, a mobile home identified on the county system as D26660121243 owned by Jeffrey K Walker has been junked on 9/16/2020 and pursuant to Iowa Code section 435.25 taxes in the amount of \$60.00 shall be abated; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that Mobile Home taxes for the above referenced parcel in the amount of \$60.00 shall be abated in accordance with Iowa code chapter 435.25 and the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to make adjustment to the Clinton County system accordingly.

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

MOTION by Supervisor Irwin to authorize the Chairperson to sign the certificate of cost allocation plan for fiscal year 2021.

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

Motion carried.

#### DEPARTMENT HEADS, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

County Auditor Eric Van Lancker reported his office is conducting interviews this week for the Election Coordinator position.

County Facilities Director Corey Johnson said the materials for the roof project will be here tomorrow. He said six roofers will be working on site until it is completed. He said the old air control system equipment will be removed this week. He said a large crane will be on site during that job.

County Treasurer Dustin Johnson said \$380,000 of delinquent property tax was collected last week as a result of delinquency letters being sent. He said the outstanding property taxes are \$426,000 from the 2018 tax year and \$1.63 million from the 2019 tax year. He said the tax sale is June 21.

County Conservation Director Phillip Visser said two park supervisors started today which will help get the department back up to full staff and seasonal employees are also starting this week. He said cabin and camp site reservations are filling up.

Supervisor Irwin said the legislation is still meeting on bills concerning back fills to counties and mental health funding. Irwin said the Assessor's Office is interested in placing shields in their office such as what the Treasurer's and Auditor's Offices feature.

Supervisor Srp reported he is staying in touch with the group in town that would like to receive money from the federal Rescue Funds to addresses homelessness.

#### DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

American Rescue Plan Funds Planning: Van Lancker said he and Budget Director Nicholas Manrique have done some research during the last few weeks and presented a starting plan for the Supervisors to consider. That plan included budgeting \$1.5 million for the County to retain, \$2 million budgeted to assist local non-profits with losses or added expenses they realized due to the pandemic in 2020, and the remaining \$5.5 million toward broadband improvements around the County. Irwin said he's not interested in doing bonuses for employees who worked during the pandemic. Srp said he doesn't disagree with Irwin, but said he would listen to requests from departments if they believe it is justified.

MOTION by Supervisor Irwin to authorize the chairman to sign the agreement with SmartSource for a broadband study of the County.

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

Motion carried.

RAGBRAI Vendor Guidelines: Supervisor Irwin said he asked the sanitarian and zoning heads for input on this matter. Irwin said fees seemed to be all over the place and wasn't sure about the regulations. County Sanitarian Shane McClintock said the vendors have to apply through the RAGBRAI organization and they would have to meet certain criteria set by the State. He said that would keep the amount to a minimum. County Zoning Director Thomas Barnes said it is mostly through the State for a temporary easement and there is a fee structure set up for that. Van Lancker reported that temporary liquor license process starts with the State before coming to the Board for local authority approval. McClintock said many counties are not setting up their own ordinances as the vendors have to go through the State. He said it would also be very late to start writing and approving ordinances.

Sheriff's Office Door Replacement: County Facilities Director Corey Johnson said the contractor ordered the wrong door and it is currently under dispute with that contractor. He said the new door and installation would cost approximately \$12,000. He said it would take 12 weeks to have the new door delivered.

MOTION by Supervisor Srp to authorize building maintenance to order the replacement door and have it installed.

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

Motion carried.

10:00 A.M. Iowa Drainage District Association (IDDA) Annual Report

IDDA Executive Director John Torbert reported the legislature is still in session to finalize some budget issues. He said policy issues could arise out of the budget discussions so they are still paying attention to what is happening in Des Moines. Torbert said legislation was approved to address several items including less publication rules for reclassifications; increase the threshold to retain an engineer for a drainage repair; addresses the competitive bid threshold to set it at \$139,000; and provisions to allow for informal notice of drainage activity. He said these provisions take effect July 1.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet on Monday, May 17, 2021.

Eric Van Lancker, County Auditor

Tom Determann, Chairperson

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County Auditor

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Chairperson