

APRIL 7, 2025

The Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, met at the Clinton County Administration Building, Clinton, IA. Present were Supervisors George, Irwin and Srp. Minutes from 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 Approval

CONSENT AGENDA

The following Resolutions 2025-76 through 2025-82 and one (1) Motion were approved on the Consent Agenda:

RESOLUTION 2025-76

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 Carley Sue McKibben for the position of temporary concessions employee, at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, effective April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and Katie Marie Brandenburg for the position of seasonal conservation technician, at the rate of \$13.50 per hour effective April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

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; George: Yes.

Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2025-77

WHEREAS, the Medical Examiner for Clinton County has determined the need for Clinton County Medical Examiner Investigators; and has found Debra Ludvigsen qualified and appropriate for the position.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has determined Debra Ludvigsen to be qualified and appropriate to be hired and appointed as Clinton County Medical Examiner Investigator and this appointment is contingent upon approval by the State Medical Examiner; now

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has approved a budget in order to employ Medical Examiner Investigators, Debra Ludvigsen will receive the following:

1. A flat rate of \$200 per call. An hourly rate of \$26.00 for work greater than 6 hours with EMA approval.
2. Mileage reimbursement per the County policy.
3. An hourly rate of \$26.00 for training or for justifiable work at the discretion of EMA.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Debra Ludvigsen is hired and appointed as Clinton County Medical Examiner Investigator, effective April 7, 2025.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2025-78

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Emergency Management Coordinator has accepted the resignation of Kevyn Eckstrom, Medical Examiner Transporter, effective March 27, 2025.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa that the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to stop issuance of biweekly paychecks on the General Basic Fund, Medical Examiner, to Kevyn Eckstrom, after his last day of employment on March 27, 2025.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2025-79

WHEREAS, the Iowa Legislature in 2014 overwhelmingly passed the HBI Act, known as Home Base Iowa, which is a one-of-a-kind program assisting veterans and transitioning service members from active duty military to civilian life; and

WHEREAS, the Home Base Iowa program private-public partnership provides a high-level of commitment and resources for our veterans, transitioning service members and their families; and

WHEREAS, the program offers countless resources to help veterans and their families with education and in transitioning to a new community with focused support and individuals who want to help; and

WHEREAS, Clinton County, Iowa, became a Home Base Iowa Community Partner through formal action on March 8, 2016; and offers an incentive to veterans locating to Clinton County who qualify through formal action on April 11, 2016; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton County Board of Supervisors awards Ethan Breaux the amount of \$1,500.00 for the qualified reimbursement for a home purchase closing cost; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clinton County Auditor be authorized to pay the claim in the amount of \$1,500.00 to Ethan Breaux from the General Basic Miscellaneous Fund.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2025-80

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 15<sup>th</sup> 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; George: Yes.

Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2025-81

BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton County Board of Supervisors will hold a Public Hearing on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in conference room B at the Clinton County Administration Building, 1900 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Clinton, Iowa 52732 for the purpose of soliciting public comment on a proposed map amendment to the Clinton County Zoning Ordinance changing the designation of certain property in Section 21, Township 81 North, Range 3 East of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M. from A-1 (Prime Agriculture) to R-1 (Suburban Residential); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Clinton County Board of Supervisors authorizes Planning and Zoning Director Thomas Barnes to prepare and submit the proper Public Hearing notice to the appropriate media outlets.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2025-82

WHEREAS, the following individuals have petitioned to suspend their property taxes for the 2023 assessment year under provision of Code of Iowa, Section 427.8:

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| - Kristopher Koontz, 809 Market St, Delmar, IA             | Parcel #0402520000     |
| Taxes Currently Suspended: \$0.00                          | 2023 Taxes: \$564.00   |
| - Barbara Manikowski, 810 Pershing Blvd, Clinton, IA       | Parcel #8400960000     |
| Taxes Currently Suspended: \$0.00                          | 2023 Taxes: \$1,084.00 |
| - Tracey L Ridgeway, 704 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ave, Camanche, IA | Parcel #1009350000     |
| Taxes Currently Suspended: \$0.00                          | 2023 Taxes: \$2,512.00 |

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

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; and

BE FURTHER RESOLVED that tax suspension under provision of Section 427.8, Code of Iowa, is for the 2023 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; George: Yes.

Erin George, Chairperson

MOTION by Supervisor Srp to authorize the Chairperson to sign Work in Right-of-Way Permit 6-40 for F&B Communications. The work will consist of boring underground line along the backslope of the county right-of-way. The work will be located along 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue, in the county right-of-way, in Section 17 T82N R01E of the Liberty Township.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2025-83

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Supervisors has considered the bids received by the Clinton County Engineer's Office on April 2, 2025, for the Fiscal Year 2025 Day Labor Steel H-Pile Materials Letting; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of each bid was as follows:

Jim Schroeder Construction, Inc. Bid: \$183,180.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, concurs in the Engineer's recommendation that the contract for said work be awarded to the low bidder, as follows:

Jim Schroeder Construction, Inc. Bid: \$183,180.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that, after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance (Todd Kinney), the County Engineer for Clinton County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded Materials Contract for this Clinton County.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2025-84

WHEREAS, the City of Clinton, Iowa owns the following described real estate:

Lot one (1), Lincolnway Railpark Subdivision #2 as shown on Final Plat of Survey recorded March 18, 2025, as Instrument No. 2025-01460 in the Office of the Recorder, Clinton County, Iowa, containing thirty-four and ninety-hundredths (34.90) acres, more or less.  
; and

WHEREAS, Clinton County, Iowa holds a judgment (suit number LACV048956, filed July 11, 2024) in the amount of \$5,212,157.85 plus interest and costs, assessed against the City of Clinton, Iowa, which is the owner of the above-described real estate. The judgment is not satisfied and must be satisfied or released as to the above-described real estate at or prior to closing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clinton requests Clinton County approve and sign a partial release of judgment for the above-described property and file it in the Clinton County District Court to allow the City to close; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Clinton County Board of Supervisors authorizes Clinton County Attorney, Mike Wolf, to sign and file the Partial Release of Judgment for the above-described real estate in Case LACV048956.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

GENERAL PUBLIC

Dustin Johnson, 1564 132nd Ave. said I'd like to make a comment as a citizen. This weekend I was alerted to a Facebook post by Bright Future Iowa, stating that the proposed wind ordinance is a ban on wind. This is not true. This is a bold accusation by an out-of-county political mercenary. To expect to infiltrate our county, which is the 12th most populous in the state, and attempt to erect 65 story monuments to corruption in areas with homes in over 90% of the sections is absurd and a terrible business plan. I applaud the efforts of our citizen volunteers who serve in the interest of fairness and with a genuine concern for the well-being of their neighbors. It is not the responsibility of Clinton County or her citizens to bow to the will of corrupt corporate cronies. Who are jeopardizing our way of life.

DEPARTMENT HEADS, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

Supervisors shared their meeting they will each be attending this week.

David Troester County Auditor gave updates for the April 8<sup>th</sup> Special elections and shared the meetings he will be attending this week.

Dustin Johnson County Treasurer gave updates on property tax collections and new hours at the De Witt satellite office.

Bill Greenwalt County Sherrif gave an update on new pay role software being implemented in the sheriff's office and shared the meetings he will be attending this week.

Tom Detterman Iowa Representative gave updates on the legislative process in the capital.

Phil Visser County Conservation gave updates on upcoming events and projects with the campgrounds.

Chance Kness Emergency Management Director spoke about staffing for the medical examiner's office.

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

28E agreement concerning collaborating lobbying effort by and between governmental entities and cooperating entities in Clinton County: A resolution will be prepared for the next meeting.

Request for voluntary annexation City of Calamus: A resolution will be prepared for the next meeting.

Public notice format and information: Information published by direction of the Department of Management is difficult for the public to understand.

10:15 A.M. FY2026 Budget Discussion

The Board of Supervisors approved the following claim be allowed and draft issued on the fund in payment thereof:

Vendor	Payable Description	Payment Amount
PEANUT BUTTER INC	APRIL 2025 PAYMENT	\$4,685.00
	Grand Total:	\$4,685.00
Fund	Expense Amount	
0001 GENERAL BASIC	\$4,685.00	
	Grand Total:	\$4,685.00

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

Motion carried.

I, David Troester, 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: David Troester, Clinton County Auditor

The Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

David Troester, County Auditor

Erin George, Chairperson

-APPROVED-

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County Auditor

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Chairperson