

NOVEMBER 2, 2015

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

9:00 A.M. Review Correspondence and Claims

9:15 A.M. FORMAL ACTION: Resolutions and Motions

The following Resolution #2015-295 was approved on the Consent Agenda:

RESOLUTION #2015-295

WHEREAS, James Leitzen has petitioned for property tax suspension under provision of Code of Iowa, Section 427.8, on the following described property:

800 19th Avenue No., Clinton IA 52732 Parcel #86-20670000

WHEREAS, Kim Ralston, CAP Director, has verified James Leitzen's eligibility for said tax suspension.

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 her 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 2014 Assessment Year and all prior years and it is the responsibility of the petitioning taxpayer to reapply for further tax suspension.

Roll Call:

Hamerlinck: Yes

Srp: Yes

Staszewski: Yes

John F. Staszewski, Chairman

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

GENERAL PUBLIC

DEPARTMENT HEADS, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

Clinton County Auditor Eric Van Lancker reported Tuesday is City Election day. He reminded the Supervisors they are scheduled to meet at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday to canvass votes for the cities of Clinton and DeWitt as they have runoff provisions. He added that the Election's office and Building Maintenance department will be purchasing a new trailer for shared usage. The total amount for the trailer will be less than \$3,000.

Clinton County Engineer Todd Kinney said a land vacation resolution should appear before the Board of Supervisors within the next couple of weeks. He said the value of the land is being determined. Kinney added he is meeting with the City of Lost Nation council tonight on a road paving project that will start in the County and continue through town. He is also meeting with Welton this week about its Seventh Day Road bridge repair project which is a reimbursement program for Welton. He said the County has administered these types of projects for smaller communities in the past.

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

Property Tax Exemption for Data Dimensions: Clinton County Attorney Mike Wolf discussed a property tax exemption for Data Dimensions in Clinton. Wolf said he met with Clinton City Assessor and Clinton City Attorney to work out the issue with Data Dimensions and its agreement made through an Enterprise Zone program. He recommends adoption of the resolution. City Assessor John Moreland said Data Dimensions will pay a small amount in taxes, about \$128, on the original land value. Moreland also asked questions about the qualifications for the tax exemption, but the state said the exemption is good for approval. Wolf said the oversight is up to the State.

The following resolution was presented and on motion adopted.

RESOLUTION #2015-296

WHEREAS, Data Dimensions received a 10-year property tax exemption per City of Clinton resolution #2013-116 in compliance with the Iowa Department of Economic Development Department Enterprise Zone program in 2013 (pursuant to the terms and conditions of Iowa Code, Chapters 15E.196 and 15E.233) for the creation of jobs and capital investment in the City of Clinton, effective with the 2014 tax assessment. In accordance with the resolution of the City of Clinton, dated March 19, 2013, Data Dimensions' parcel identified in

the county property tax record system as 88-11380057 is entitled to a property tax exemption in the approximate amount of \$1,918,728 over a 10 year period; and

WHEREAS, Data Dimensions' eligibility to receive the benefit of the 10-year property tax exemption per City of Clinton resolution #2013-116 requires compliance with the Iowa Department of Economic Development Authority Contract #13-TC-044;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, unless otherwise prohibited or required by law – including Data Dimensions' compliance with Iowa Department of Economic Development Authority Contract #13-TC-044, Clinton County records be adjusted by the County Treasurer, County Auditor and City Assessor on the County system to reflect the annual property tax exemptions specified in the City of Clinton resolution #2013-116 on parcel 88-11380057 for the assessment years 2014 through 2024 for the value added to the parcel in an amount not greater than the total dollars and cents specified in City of Clinton resolution #2013-116.

Roll Call:

Hamerlinck: Yes

Srp: Yes

Staszewski: Yes

John F. Staszewski, Chairman

Consider Establishing a Reduced Speed Zone on a Section of 270th Street: County Engineer Todd Kinney presented and reviewed a report on a petition for a speed zone on a section of 270th Street near the intersection of 235th Avenue. The report recommends setting a lower speed zone for that area. He said he did hear from a resident who supported the speed zone. If approved, Kinney would report the new speed zone to the Sheriff's Office.

The following resolution was presented and on motion adopted.

RESOLUTION #2015-297

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, realizes that some locations in the County may require lower speed limits than those set by state law, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, have received a petition to lower the speed limit on a section of 270th Street near 235th Avenue due to safety concerns from some of the residents living along 270th Street and the vertical alignment of the 270th Street in the area of concern, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 321.285, an engineering and traffic investigation along 270th Street between 235th Avenue and 237th Avenue has been completed by the Clinton County Engineer's Office, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, has received the County Engineer's report and recommendation concerning the speed limit.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that the following speed limit be and hereby-set on 270th Street as described:

45 miles per hour speed limit starting 500 feet west of the intersection of 235th Avenue and 270th Street and extending east approximately 2,000 feet on 270th Street to the intersection of 270th Street and 237th Avenue.

Roll Call:

Hamerlinck: Yes

Srp: Yes

Staszewski: Yes

John F. Staszewski, Chairman

9:31 A.M. Smithtown Church Repair and Painting – Repair Request to the Steeple and Completion of Exterior Painting

Ellen Mayberry, Historic Preservation Committee member, said a platform, furnace and ceiling are all new on the inside and the roof repair on the steeple is needed to protect the interior work. She reviewed bids for the work with the Board of Supervisors. Walt Wickham said the Conservation Department, which is in charge of maintenance, was not aware of the work and so it was not budgeted. Wickham suggested the work be administered through the Historic Preservation Commission. Supervisor Hamerlinck suggested the Board of Supervisors take on the project and have the Building Maintenance Department administer the project to avoid a conflict of interest because one of the bidders serves on the County Conservation Board. Van Lancker reported there may be room in the Administration Building budget to cover the repair. Building Maintenance Manager Corey

Johnson agreed the project could be funded through unused expenses related to the Administration Building Retaining Wall Project.

Motion was made by Supervisor Srp to authorize Building Maintenance to proceed with the Smithtown Church steeple repair and award the project to Beckwith Commercial Roofing.

Roll Call:

Hamerlinck: Yes

Srp: Yes

Staszewski: Yes

Motion carried.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet on Thursday, November 5, 2015.

Eric Van Lancker, County Auditor

John F. Staszewski, Chairman

-APPROVED-

County Auditor

Chairman