

May 21, 2012

The Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, met. Present were Supervisors Schmidt, Staszewski and Davisson. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

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

The following resolution was presented and on motion adopted.

RESOLUTION 2012-128

BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that Susan Arey, d/b/a The Almont Tap, will electronically file a renewal application for liquor license number LC0033922 with an endorsement for Sunday Sales, effective July 1, 2012. Said application be and is hereby approved by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors.

Roll Call:  
Staszewski: Yes  
Davisson: Yes  
Schmidt: Yes  
Brian Schmidt, Chairperson

The following resolution was presented and on motion adopted.

RESOLUTION #2012-129

WHEREAS, the below listed entities have filed applications for renewal applications to sell cigarettes in Clinton County, said applications being accompanied by the necessary fee of \$50.00 each.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that said applications be and are hereby accepted and the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to issue renewal permits for FY2013 to the following:

The Almont Tap	4581 140 <sup>th</sup> St., Clinton
B.S. General Store	2919 Hwy 67, Camanche
Rock Creek Marina	3942 291 <sup>st</sup> St., Camanche

Roll Call:  
Staszewski: Yes  
Davisson: Yes  
Schmidt: Yes  
Brian Schmidt, Chairperson

The following resolution was presented and on motion adopted.

RESOLUTION #2012-130

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Sheriff 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.

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 Basic Fund, Office of Jail to Scott Adam Heiar, as a full-time Correctional Officer. This will be in effect May 29, 2012 at an hourly rate of \$15.44 during Scott Heiar's probationary period. This is subject to the terms and conditions of the Sheriff's Bargaining Unit agreement without further action of this Board.

Roll Call:  
Staszewski: Yes  
Davisson: Yes  
Schmidt: Yes  
Brian Schmidt, Chairperson

The following resolution was presented and on motion adopted.

RESOLUTION #2012-131

BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that Resolution 2012-61, approved March 5, 2012, be and is hereby rescinded and declared null and void.

Roll Call:  
Staszewski: Yes  
Davisson: Yes  
Schmidt: Yes

Brian Schmidt, Chairperson

The following resolution was presented and on motion adopted.

RESOLUTION #2012-132

WHEREAS, Richard C. Lampe, II has petitioned for property tax suspension under provision of Code of Iowa, Section 427.8, on the following described property:

631 9<sup>th</sup> Ave. So., Clinton IA

Parcel #80-36860000

WHEREAS, 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 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 2011 Assessment Year and all prior years and it is the responsibility of the petitioning taxpayer to reapply for further tax suspension.

Roll Call:

Staszewski: Yes

Davisson: Yes

Schmidt: Yes

Brian Schmidt, Chairperson

The following resolution was presented and on motion adopted.

RESOLUTION #2012-133

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

2426 No. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Clinton IA

Parcel #86-05200000

WHEREAS, 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 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 2011 Assessment Year and all prior years and it is the responsibility of the petitioning taxpayer to reapply for further tax suspension.

Roll Call:

Staszewski: Yes

Davisson: Yes

Schmidt: Yes

Brian Schmidt, Chairperson

The following resolution was presented and on motion adopted.

RESOLUTION #2012-134

WHEREAS, Theodosia Jetter has petitioned for tax suspension under provision of Code of Iowa, Section 427.9, on the following property:

815 Melrose Ct., Clinton IA

Parcel #80-07860000

WHEREAS, eligibility for said suspension has been verified by the Iowa Department of Human Services.

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 427.9, Code of Iowa.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that tax suspension under provision of Section 427.9, Code of Iowa, is for the 2011 Assessment Year and all prior years and it is the responsibility of the petitioning taxpayer to reapply for further tax suspension.

Roll Call:

Staszewski: Yes

Davisson: Yes

Schmidt: Yes

Brian Schmidt, Chairperson

## GENERAL PUBLIC

## DEPARTMENT HEADS, ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND EMPLOYEES

Clinton County Auditor Eric Van Lancker reported he has received the estimated premium for the County's FY13 workers' compensation coverage. He said that rate is \$132,167, almost \$23,500 less than the previous year's premium. He said the County maxed out its credits at \$86,571. He said the lower premiums are a credit to the County's dedication to employee safety as administered by the Clinton County Risk Management Committee. Van Lancker also reminded the Board of Supervisors that the Auditor's Office would be open the next two Saturdays due to the June 5 Primary Election.

Chairman Schmidt said Corey Johnson starts today as the Clinton County Building Maintenance Manager. He thanked Van Lancker for assisting with the maintenance department during the interim.

9:45 A.M. Mental Health CPC Discussion/Review SF 2315 as it Pertains to Mental Health Redesign

Becky Eskildsen, Clinton County Mental Health Coordinator discussed the New Mental Health Redesign. Eskildsen said she hit the highlights of the redesign last week. She provided a written summary of the redesign from Rep. Mary Wolfe. She said the first major hurdle of the redesign is getting through Sept. 30th with cash flow issues as state property tax relief will not come in as has been standard operating procedure. She reviewed a cash flow analysis she provided to the Board of Supervisors. She said the legislation allows mental health to borrow money from county funds to cover the cash flow.

Supervisor Davisson attended a workshop on the redesign last week. She said the state could award transition dollars to cover those loans, but the transition dollars are not promised.

Eskildsen reviewed the tax rate for FY2014 which shows a revenue decrease of more than \$600,000. She suggests not honoring rate increases that were planned during budget hearings earlier in the year. She will consider a block grant and review current service contracts with providers to make them fit into the new financial structure.

Davisson said sometime between now and October the state will come work with counties that have been determined will have difficulties with the new redesign transition. She suspected Clinton County will be determined to be one of those counties. Davisson told the legislators at the workshop that one-size fits all won't work for mental health services. She said the state is also determined to go to residency instead of legal settlement. She said Woodbury County was also concerned with that as well. Davisson said she was told the state responded there are so few counties it affects that they aren't worried about the residency decision.

Eskildsen said residency over legal settlement will cause an estimated \$300,000 cost on the County and will increase the County's waiting list.

Davisson volunteered for a transition committee to assist with the administration of the new redesign.

10:11 A.M. Board of Trustees for Drainage Districts

- Drainage District #17 Discussion DNR Project Management Plan
- Drainage District #23 Discussion the Lateral 3 Crossing Repair Project - Possible Action to Follow
- Drainage District #18 Repair Request Discussion - Possible Action to Follow

Motion made by Supervisor Staszewski to recess as Board of Supervisors and convene as Board of Trustees for Drainage Districts #17, #23 and #18.

Roll Call:

Staszewski: Yes  
Davisson: Yes  
Schmidt: Yes

Motion carried. Board of Supervisors recessed and Board of Trustees convened at 10:11 a.m.

Kinney reviewed the history of the maintenance project to DNR's berm and overflow area in Drainage District #17. Property owners in the area were concerned about the maintenance of keeping the water levels within the DNR's management plan. Kinney said the DNR has met with the property owners and have received general support from those land owners. The DNR is now asking for permission to work on its structure in the Drainage District.

Kurt Kemmerer, DNR representative, said the scope of work hasn't changed since first presented to the Board of Trustees. He included a little more detail in the management plan. Kemmerer said the DNR would like to move forward with the project.

Kinney asked Kemmerer to provide the County with a summary of work the DNR proposes and that will start the Board of Trustees approval process.

Kinney received a letter from Drainage District Attorney Randy Current concerning the repair of a drainage district crossing on Drainage District #23 Lateral 3. Kinney said Current is fine with the cost breakdown, but suggests the other property owners in Drainage District #23 Lateral 3 should be notified of the matter.

Davisson suggested a letter be sent to the property owners and that appropriate time be given for them to respond to the project. Kinney will draft a letter and give them 10 days to reply. The next step would be a resolution with the breakdown of costs for the new crossing.

Kinney said a line from a manhole to the outlet was replaced recently in Drainage District #18. However, he said he has received a request for repair on another line in the Drainage District. He said there is a failure of the tile at some point because there is evidence of water boiling up along the line. Kinney thinks this will lead to a section replacement of 400- to 800-feet. The entire length of the section is 1,400 feet. He said a 15-inch tile replacement is estimated at \$17,000-\$18,000 which is below the formal bidding process. He said the Board of Trustees will need to decide if it wants to host a public hearing.

Davisson said she knows the property owners are interested in the repair.

Kinney suggested a public meeting be scheduled. Kinney will set a date and time for the public meeting and notify the property owners.

Motion made by Supervisor Davisson to adjourn as Board of Trustees for Drainage Districts #17, #23 and #18 and reconvene as Board of Supervisors.

Roll Call:

Staszewski: Yes  
Davisson: Yes  
Schmidt: Yes

Motion carried. Board of Supervisors returned to general session at 10:52 a.m.

County Attorney Mike Wolf introduced Patricia Skeffington as a new intern in his office. Wolf added that he and Kinney will be participating in a hearing Tuesday to determine a property line dispute concerning a road vacation. He also expressed his thanks to the County IT Department for its assistance to help his office to work paperless.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet on Thursday, May 31, 2012.

Eric Van Lancker, County Auditor

Brian Schmidt, Chairperson

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County Auditor

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Chairperson