

DECEMBER 3, 2020

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

6:30 P.M. Discussion with Possible Action

911/Communications equipment replacement update: Communications Director Eric Dau said the County Supervisors requested the joint meeting take place to review the radio project with all of the boards and commissions involved. Supervisor Irwin said through various discussions it appears this plan is the best in the long run, but he's uncomfortable with the bond to purchase the new equipment. However, he said the other difficult discussion is how they will be replaced. Due to that long-term commitment, he wanted to have all the decision makers involved in the discussion of how to pay for the equipment and the replacements going forward. Irwin said there have been discussions of also funding some of that cost through city funding. Costs of the replacements were discussed. Motorola said the life of the radios are up to 10 years. Camanche Mayor Trevor Willis said he would have an issue with trying to have municipalities fund the radios. He said it would be cleaner to have the County continue to fund it. Chairman Srp asked for an update on some new numbers that have come forward in the last couple of weeks. County Auditor Eric Van Lancker and Nick Manrique, County Budget Director, reviewed the replacement costs. Supervisor Determann said the replacement costs can be talked about later. He said the county should pay for the equipment now to get the new system started. Irwin said this is outside of what the supervisors have been asked to do previously and that's why he wanted to have the larger discussion. The Board of Supervisors was given a recommendation from the other commissions to continue with radio replacement through Motorola. Van Lancker said the Board of Supervisors will meet Monday to determine whether to sign the contract with Motorola and to decide when and how to begin the bonding process for the project.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet on Monday, December 7, 2020.

Eric Van Lancker, County Auditor

Daniel A. Srp, Chairperson

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Chairperson