

MARCH 15, 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 the County has identified two cases in the last three days and 26 in last seven days so cases are slowing down. Cullen said there are 23 cases hospitalized in the region with only four at Genesis and three at Mercy which she declared good news. Cullen said some nursing homes are starting to open up again. She reported the positivity rate is 4.7% down from last week's report of 5.7%. Cullen said 4,877 have started the vaccination series and 4,271 have completed the series which is 9% of population which is on pace with counties around Clinton County. EMA will also host another call center for appointments at this week's clinic in DeWitt.

REPORTS

The February 2021 monthly report of the Commission of Veterans Affairs was presented, approved and filed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution #2021-72 was approved on the Consent Agenda:

RESOLUTION #2021-72

WHEREAS, Amanda Hruby-Carstensen, Secretary III of the County Attorney's Office, has given her resignation; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that the employment of Amanda Hruby-Carstensen, Secretary III, with the County Attorney's Office will end effective March 23, 2021, at midnight; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to discontinue paychecks for wages effective March 23, 2021, at midnight.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; Determann: Yes. Tom Determann, Chairman

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION #2021-73

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Supervisors has considered the bids for the Clinton County Administration Building roof replacement project; and

WHEREAS, the bids received are as follows:

Giese Roofing	\$151,880.00
Economy	\$185,100.00
Sterling Commercial	\$241,200.00
Jim Giese	\$282,755.00

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that the bid be approved to Giese Roofing for the bid amount of \$151,880 as recommended by County Facilities Director Corey Johnson; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors be authorized to sign the contract on behalf of Clinton County, Iowa.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; Determann: Yes. Tom Determann, Chairperson

DEPARTMENT HEADS, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

EMA Director Chance Kness reported he received FEMA approval for non-congregate sheltering for the YWCA. He said there are provisions included and he will need to review those with the partners involved.

Old Highway 30 Overflow Bridge Update: County Engineer Todd Kinney said the bridge has been inspected because it is fracture critical. Significant loss was discovered on the floor beams. He said the inspectors wanted it closed while they re-rated the bridge. Kinney said the rating came back which states the bridge should be closed. Kinney said it could be made a class C which would only allow landowners to use the bridge, but that may still have restrictions such as less than three tons. Kinney said there are three options; 1) close the bridge and pay damages to the affected landowners; 2) build a cutoff road from US 30 to between the bridges to provide access for the property owners; and 3) repair or replace either the overflow bridge and/or the Wapsi bridge. Kinney said vacating the road is the least financially involved decision. Kinney suggested scheduling a work session to talk with the property owners in that area. He said there are less than 10 owners in that area. Kinney said he has researched building a new road to

serve the property owners, but that option includes a lot of obstacles in regards to obtaining permits since it is a wetland area.

County Administration Building Generator Update: County Facilities Director Corey Johnson said the generator is big enough to run one cooling tower plus the boiler, but the mechanism to run the air through the building is not hooked up to the generator. He said an engineer could draw plans to solve that issue. He said if County wants it to run the whole building then a new transformer and larger generator would be required. Johnson will work on an RFP to identify and electrical engineer.

Medical Examiner Update: Dr. Mary Malcolm presented the Board with the medical examiner annual report.

County Building Space Utilization: Supervisor Irwin reported he is working with EMA to clear their former office in the Courthouse for use. They would like to move in during the first part of April. Irwin said the organization would not pay rent but there could be a savings to the county to get people through the court system more efficiently and connect them with services after they leave the jail. Supervisor Srp said he thought some of those services would actually be housed in the new jail. Irwin said they needed a private bathroom for parole and his contact said there didn't appear to be enough space for the entire parole office. Irwin said these are not for services for people in the jail, it's for services for people leaving or out of jail. County Auditor Eric Van Lancker recommended that even if there is not a rent payment, a lease would still be needed for liability purposes. County Attorney Mike Wolf agreed and said that can be worked out even during the upcoming meeting on the 24th.

10:35 A.M. Public Hearing

Chairperson Determann called the public hearing to order at 10:35 a.m. Present were Supervisors Irwin and Srp; County Auditor Eric Van Lancker; County Budget Director Nicholas Manrique, County Attorney Mike Wolf, and members of the press and public.

The purpose of the public hearing was to solicit comments on the proposed FY22 Clinton County budget.

Proof of publication was presented, accepted, and returned for filing.

Wolf said he thanked the Board of Supervisors and County Auditor for their work building the budget.

Srp said he's satisfied with the process and outcome, but the minimum levy rate should have been set higher to give them more flexibility with requests. He said he's already stated that he's not fully comfortable with the outcome.

Determann mentioned the Board revisited several things during many hours of talking about the budget.

MOTION by Supervisor Irwin to adjourn the public hearing.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; Determann: Yes. Motion carried. The public hearing was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Van Lancker said the Board will consider a resolution to approve the FY22 budget during next week's meeting.

10:43 A.M. Gateway Area Community Center (GACC) Grant Application

Supervisor Srp said the issue today is determine if the County will be the grant sponsor for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for GACC.

MOTION by Supervisor Srp the County support of the CDBG application for the Gateway Area Community Center without financial support.

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

The Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet on Monday, March 22, 2021.

Eric Van Lancker, County Auditor

Tom Determann, Chairperson

-APPROVED-

County Auditor

Chairperson