

MARCH 28, 2022

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 2022-93 through 2022-96 and one (1) Motion were approved on the Consent Agenda:

RESOLUTION 2022-93

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Communications Commission has authorized the hiring of additional staff and the Board of Supervisors does not consider or appoint personnel for the Communications Commission, but needs to authorize payroll for the County Auditor. Clinton County Communications Director Eric Dau desires to appoint Danielle Andersen as a Telecommunicator for the Clinton County Communications Commission; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa that the County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to issue biweekly paychecks on the Communications Commission Budget, to Danielle Andersen, as a full-time Telecommunicator. This will be in effect at an hourly rate of \$18.46 during the first 6 months of employment, then increasing to \$20.77 for the next 6 months of employment, and the increasing to \$23.08 after 1 year of employment. Andersens' starting date of employment with the Clinton County Communications Commission will be March 28th, 2022. This is subject to the terms and conditions of the Clinton County Communications Commission Bargaining Unit agreement without further action of this Board.

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

RESOLUTION 2022-94

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Sheriff has accepted the resignation of Brandon VanBlaricome, as a full-time Deputy Sheriff; now

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, Office of Sheriff, to Brandon VanBlaricome. Brandon's last day is on April 2, 2022 with accrued benefits to be paid out until April 8, 2022.

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

RESOLUTION 2022-95

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Sheriff will retire K-9 Hunter from active duty due to handler's resignation from the Clinton County Sheriff's Office and the K-9's current age and health issues; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, to transfer ownership of K-9 Hunter to his current handler, Brandon VanBlaricome. The Clinton County Sheriff's Office will transfer ownership and all responsibility of K-9 Hunter, to Brandon VanBlaricome, effective April 2, 2022.

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

RESOLUTION 2022-96

WHEREAS, Clinton County and the Treasurer for Clinton County, Iowa are named Respondents in Iowa Code 657A proceedings for the following property: 731 South 9th, Clinton, IA, [Parcel 802146] (EQCV048147);

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Attorney requests authorization on behalf of the County to entry of an Order Disclaiming Interest in the above-listed property and Consent to entry of an Order awarding title to this property to the City of Clinton; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton County Board of Supervisors authorizes Clinton County Attorney, Michael Wolf, on behalf of Clinton County to consent to entry of an Order in favor of the City of Clinton in each of the above 657A action filed awarding title of the above-listed property to the City of Clinton, Iowa, free and clear of any claims, liens, or encumbrances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Clinton County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Clinton County Treasurer, upon the entry of Judgment by the Court in favor of the City of Clinton in the above 657A action filed, to make an entry in the county system canceling any tax sale certificate of purchase liens against the property and shall refund tax sale purchase money to the tax sale certificate holder as named (if any) in the 657A action as required pursuant to the provisions of Iowa Code § 657A.10B(6).

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

MOTION by Supervisor Irwin to authorize the Chairperson to sign Utility Permit Number 10-132 for EI L&P to bore underground cable wests ditch of 308th Ave. in the county right-of-way located in Section 4 T81 R4E of DeWitt TWP.

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

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2022-97

WHEREAS, The Clinton County Board of Supervisor has considered the mowing bids for the County Satellite Office in DeWitt, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the bid received is as follows:

J&L Lawn Care & Landscaping LLC	\$39.00
Kurt Houzenga Lawn Care	\$40.00
DKS	\$50.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that the bid be approved to J&L Lawn Care for the bid amount of \$39.00 recommended by the Facilities Director Corey Johnson; and

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

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

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2022-98

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Supervisor has considered the mowing bids for the property at 2007 Manufacturing Drive Clinton Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the bid received is as follows:

J&L Lawn Care & Landscaping LLC	\$105.00
Kurt Houzenga Lawn Care	\$100.00
Dean Burmeister	\$ 55.00
DKS	\$100.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that the bid be approved to Dean Burmeister for the bid amount of \$55.00 recommended by the Facilities Director Corey Johnson; and

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

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

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2022-99

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 26.3 requires that governmental entities follow the competitive bid process for vertical infrastructure projects with an estimated total cost that exceeds the competitive bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, based on the engineer's cost estimate competitive bids were received for the construction of a new 138 by 45 feet clear span heated building on March 22, 2022 at 10:00 AM; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of each bid received is as follows;

Contractor Name	Bid Amount
DM Corporation	\$479,392.96
Dave River Construction	\$594,154.00
Tricon General Construction	\$648,000.00
Clinton Engineering	\$666,556.00
Woodruff Construction	\$671,000.00

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

DM Corporation, LLC.	\$479,392.96
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors be authorized to execute said contracts in behalf of Clinton County, Iowa.

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

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2022-100

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Supervisors, upon recommendation from the Clinton County Director of Human Resources, wishes to update incentives for the Clinton County Employee Wellness Program to promote participation in the program; and

WHEREAS, the employee incentives would be added to the employees' health benefits deductible starting in 2024 for certain program thresholds met in 2023; and

WHEREAS, said program thresholds include:

- An additional \$250 each for the employee and spouse toward their family deductible or an additional \$250 for the employee deductible for an employee on a single plan by submitting a health risk assessment, completing an annual health screening, participating in the follow up consultation and qualifying in either the low or moderate risk categories
- An additional \$250 each for the employee and spouse toward their family deductible or an additional \$250 for the employee deductible for an employee on a single plan by submitting a health risk assessment, completing an annual health screening, participating in the follow up consultation and if determined to be in the high risk category, then participate in monthly health coaching in 2023.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that the Human Resource Director be and is hereby authorized to administer the said changes to the Clinton County Employee Wellness Program.

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2022-101 discussion: Supervisor Irwin would like to reduce the recommendation in half so the elected officials, except the Sheriff would be at 3% as set for other employees in the county. Chairman Determann said he doesn't want current electeds to fall behind again in compensation compared around the state, but he would recommend the Supervisor salary be reduced to 3%. Supervisor Srp said he wants to give credit to the comp board on how thoughtful they were with its recommendation. He said they were also respectful to our taxpayers. Srp said he's willing to support Determann's recommendation. He said a fair salary is essential to attract good decision makers to the County. Irwin said no incumbents have anyone running against them. He said he could live with a 25% reduction. Determann said the County has one of the best compensation boards in the state. Determann said other Boards have already approved large salary increases and doesn't want to see Clinton County fall behind again. Srp agreed Clinton County could fall behind pretty quickly and he's seen it happen in his time on the Board.

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2022-101

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Compensation Board meets annually to recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Chapters 331.905 and 331.907; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Compensation Board met on January 10, 2022, and made the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Current Salary</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>	<u>Recommended Salary</u>
Auditor	\$82,143.61	6%	\$87,072.23
County Attorney	\$135,485.29	6%	\$143,614.41
Recorder	\$79,207.63	6%	\$83,960.09
Sheriff	\$113,284.27	12%	\$126,878.38
Supervisors	\$42,197.88	6%	\$44,729.75
Supervisor Chair	\$43,397.88		\$45,929.75
Treasurer	\$81,653.25	6%	\$86,552.45

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton County Board of Supervisors adopts the salary recommendations for elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 as recommended by the Clinton County Compensation Board and adjusted by the County Board of Supervisors as follows:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Approved Salary</u>	<u>Approved Increase</u>
Auditor	\$87,072.23	6%
County Attorney	\$143,614.41	6%
Recorder	\$83,960.09	6%
Sheriff	\$126,878.38	12%
Supervisors	\$43,463.82	3%
Supervisor Chair	\$44,663.82	
Treasurer	\$86,552.45	6%

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2022-102 discussion: Determann heard about an increased budget due to having to hire at the jail. However, he explained it is needed for the safety of the staff and inmates. Srp said some of this can offset by housing outside of the county inmates. Sheriff Bill Greenwalt said they review every week how many out of county inmates they can accommodate. He said they currently have more than 20 out of county inmates which would bring

in revenue of \$40,000 in a month. Irwin thanked the Sheriff for keeping the Board up to date as well as all of the other elected officials. Irwin added the County directors are also good about updating the Board on what is happening and how those situations affect the County budget. Srp said there were opportunities to be more aggressive about lowering the tax levy rate, but the County also knows it is important to maintain the amount of services provided by the County.

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2022-102

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Supervisors has considered the proposed fiscal year 2022-2023 county budget; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing concerning the proposed county budget was conducted on, March 21, 2022; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that the FY 2022-2023 County budget as set forth in the budget summary, is hereby adopted, and the County Auditor is directed to make the necessary filing of said budget and to establish the accounting records in accordance with the attached schedules; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairperson and the County Auditor be and are hereby authorized to sign the approved 2022-2023 county budget.

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

Tom Determann, Chairperson

DEPARTMENT HEADS, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

County Auditor Eric Van Lancker said nomination papers have been received for the Primary Election. He added that Wednesday is the last day to withdraw nomination papers and the last day to object to nomination papers is Friday. He said voters may start submitting requests for absentee ballots for the Primary on Tuesday. He added the Special Election for Calamus City Council on April 12 is in full gear.

Supervisor Srp said the CCJCC met last week and it has a vacancy which is appointed by the Commission.

Supervisor Irwin reported the Mental Health Region awarded the DeWitt service provider with the grant it requested.

Chairman Determann said the meeting in Grand Mound about the solar projects went well and everyone was able to share their thoughts with the Board. He said he heard from Union Pacific that they are waiting to receive permits to continue work on the railroad bridge over the Mississippi River.

Sheriff Greenwalt said a recent incident reminded him how dedicated the volunteer fire departments are around the County. He said they are trying to appoint a civil service member and it is a Board of Supervisors appointment. He said he has had a couple of people express interest. He said the Civil Service Commission can continue to work with just two, but will try to get a third appointed as deputy hiring is coming up soon. Greenwalt said it was great to see so many elected officials from across the County at community events during the weekend.

County Treasurer Dustin Johnson said the office is busy as it is the last week of property tax collections for second half payments.

County Community Assistance Director Kim Ralston wanted to follow up on the indigent cremation policy. She said she shared the proposed changes with the local funeral homes a couple of weeks ago and has not heard anything back. She said a family recently asked for assistance with a funeral home bill to transport a family member to the University of Iowa for its medical program, however it doesn't qualify under current policy. She will prepare a resolution to update the policy for the Board to consider.

County Engineer Todd Kinney provided an update on projects. He said the deck pour on the bridge south of Grand Mound will begin tomorrow. He said contract rock hauling bids will be sent out this week.

10:34 A.M. Public Hearing

Chairman Determann called a public hearing to order to solicit comments on the proposed Secondary Roads Elwood shed.

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

Present were Supervisors Irwin and Srp, County Auditor Eric Van Lancker, County Engineer Todd Kinney, public and media.

Kinney reviewed the proposed project in Elwood.

MOTION by Supervisor Srp to adjourn the public hearing.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; Determann: Yes

Motion carried. Public hearing adjourned at

10:38 a.m.

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2022-103

WHEREAS, in accordance with Iowa Code Section 26.12, it is required that a public hearing be held to approve the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and cost estimate for new construction projects with an estimated cost greater than the competitive quote threshold; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Supervisors held a public meeting on March 28, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. to solicit public input regarding the project; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, approves the plans, specifications and estimated cost for the Elwood Shed Construction Project.

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

The Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet Monday, April 4, 2022.

Eric Van Lancker, County Auditor

Tom Determann, Chairperson

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County Auditor

Chairperson