

JULY 28, 2025

The Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, met at the Clinton County Administration Building, Clinton, IA. Present were Supervisors George, Irwin and Srp. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. Full video recording of meetings are available on the Clinton County website at www.clintoncounty-ia.gov/board_of_supervisors/meetings_minutes/.

9:00 A.M. Review Correspondence and Claims Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance

9:15 A.M. Formal Action & Motions Claims Approval

CONSENT AGENDA

The following Resolutions 2025-201 through 2025-206 were approved on the consent agenda:

RESOLUTION 2025-201

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Attorney is an elected official, and the Board of Supervisors does neither consider nor appoint personnel for elected officials, but needs to authorize payroll for the County Auditor; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Attorney's Office has an opening for the position of Truancy Coordinator/Legal Secretary III; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Attorney completed interviews for the position and offered the position to Christine Hartman, who successfully completed her pre-employment screening through the oversight of Clinton County Human Resources to qualify for the position of Truancy Coordinator/Legal Secretary III; now

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 from the County Attorney's General Basic Fund to Christine Hartman, as Truancy Coordinator/Legal Secretary III. This will be in effect at an hourly rate of \$21.49. Christine Hartman's starting date of employment with the Clinton County Attorney's Office will be Monday, July 28, 2025.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2025-202

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Emergency Management Coordinator has accepted the resignation of Tony Cooley, Medical Examiner Transporter, effective July 23, 2025.

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, Medical Examiner, to Tony Cooley, after his last day of employment on July 23, 2025.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2025-203

WHEREAS, the parcel 1003240001 of Unknown, has outstanding taxes, interest, and fees due. It is the recommendation of Treasurer, Dustin Johnson, that it is impractical to pursue collection of these taxes, and they should be abated.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that property tax abatement as detailed shall be made for the 2021 tax year totaling \$8.00. The Assessor's Office has removed value from parcel 1003240001.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2025-204

WHEREAS, the Iowa Legislature in 2014 overwhelmingly passed the HBI Act, known as Home Base Iowa, which is a one-of-a-kind program assisting veterans and transitioning service members from active duty military to civilian life; and

WHEREAS, the Home Base Iowa program private-public partnership provides a high-level of commitment and resources for our veterans, transitioning service members and their families; and

WHEREAS, the program offers countless resources to help veterans and their families with education and in transitioning to a new community with focused support and individuals who want to help; and

WHEREAS, Clinton County, Iowa, became a Home Base Iowa Community Partner through formal action on March 8, 2016; and offers an incentive to veterans locating to Clinton County who qualify through formal action on April 11, 2016; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton County Board of Supervisors awards Mark Graver the amount of \$1,500.00 for the qualified reimbursement for a home purchase closing cost; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clinton County Auditor be authorized to pay the claim in the amount of \$1,500.00 to Mark Graver from the General Basic Miscellaneous Fund.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2025-205

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Supervisors has established a policy pursuant to Code of Iowa Section 727.2 to require a permit to operate a fireworks display in Clinton County.; and

WHEREAS, J and M Displays has submitted a full and complete application for a fireworks display on August 2, 2025, at 2769 110th Ave, Wheatland, IA

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, State of Iowa, that a Clinton County Permit to Display Fireworks be issued to J and M Displays per its filed and accepted Clinton County Fireworks Display Application.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; George: Yes. Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTION 2025-206

WHEREAS, Clinton County (“County”) is a member of the Iowa State Association of Counties; and

WHEREAS, the ISAC Articles of Incorporation were updated in November 2024 to require the County to designate, through resolution by its Board of Supervisors, its County Voting Representatives; and

WHEREAS, only the designated County Voting Representatives have the power to vote on behalf of the County at ISAC; and

WHEREAS, the County Voting Representatives must be either elected county officials or the principal officer for each county department represented by an Affiliated Association of ISAC.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton County Board of Supervisors, effective immediately, hereby designates the following persons as County Voting Representatives for ISAC:

- Iowa State Association of County Supervisors: Dan Srp, Erin George, Jim Irwin Jr.
- Iowa State Sheriffs’ and Deputies’ Association: Bill Greenwalt
- Iowa County Attorneys Association, Inc.: Mike Wolf
- Iowa State Association of County Auditors: David Troester
- Iowa State County Treasurers Association: Dustin Johnson
- Iowa County Records Association, Inc.: Scott Judd
- Iowa County Engineers Association: Todd Kinney
- Iowa State Association of Assessors: Brian Tiesman
- Iowa Community Services Association: Kim Ralston
- Iowa Emergency Management Association: Chance Kness
- County Conservation Directors Association of Iowa: Philip Visser
- Iowa Environmental Health Association, Inc.: Shane McClintock
- Iowa Counties Public Health Association: Michele Cullen
- County Zoning Officials of Iowa: Thomas Barnes
- Iowa Counties Information Technology Organization: Paul Banowetz
- Iowa Association of County Commissioners and Veterans Service Officers, Inc.: Nicole Rickertsen

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; George: Yes. Erin George, Chairperson

RESOLUTIONS

Chairman George asked for any comments from those in attendance on Resolution 2025-207. Justin Foss, Alliant Energy, informed the Board of the need for additional generation sources. Norlan Mommsen, a Clinton County resident, spoke in favor of ending the moratorium. Lana Griswold, a Clinton County resident, spoke in favor of continuing the moratorium. TJ Birkin, a Clinton County resident, spoke in favor of continuing the moratorium. Michelle Roswell, a Clinton County resident, asked if the moratorium would be allowed to expire, and if any protections would be provided against applications being made under the old ordinance? Mike Wolf, County Attorney, in his opinion, the moratorium is already in effect, and all this does is add more clarity to the fact that the moratorium is in effect.

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2025-207

WHEREAS, on the matter herein, the Clinton County Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing on July 1, 2025, and following said hearing the Commission recommended approval of the attached text amendments to the Clinton County Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Supervisors held a public hearing and first reading of the proposed text amendments on July 21, 2025, to consider said amendment and to hear comments for and against; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Supervisors held a second reading of the proposed text amendments on July 28, 2025.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. The attached ordinance numbered 2025-03 is hereby adopted. And Resolution 2025-176 is rescinded.
2. The Auditor is directed to publish said ordinance as required by law.

3. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its adoption and publication as required by law.

Roll Call: Srp: Abstain; Irwin: Yes; George: Yes.

Erin George, Chairperson

ORDINANCE 2025 – 03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TEXT OF THE CLINTON COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE TO
UPDATE THE RE (REUSABLE ENERGY OVERLAY) ZONING DISTRICT.

Section 1: Be it enacted by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that the text of the Clinton County Zoning Ordinance be amended as follows: Exhibit “A”

Amend Chapter III, section 3.6.10, by updating section 3.6.10.F with the following:

F. Moratorium.

1. The county shall not approve any request to rezone property to the Renewable Energy Overlay District for a period or periods as described in Sections 3.6.10 while the Board of Supervisors reviews and possibly revises language in this chapter related to utility-scale wind installations.

2. This subsection 3.6.10.F shall be repealed automatically on September 30, 2025, unless extended before that date by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors until no later than December 31, 2025.

Section 2: The change as hereinabove set forth shall be entered and made part of the Zoning and Ordinance of the County of Clinton, Iowa.

Section 3: If any section, provision or part of this Ordinance shall be judged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 4: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication as required by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of, July 2025 by the Board of Supervisors, Clinton County, State of Iowa.

Signed: Daniel A. Srp as ‘Abstain’; Signed: Jim Irwin, Jr.; Signed: Erin George, Chairperson

ATTEST: David Troester (Signed), County Auditor, County of Clinton, State of Iowa

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2025-208

WHEREAS, the position of Veterans Affairs Director of Clinton County is currently vacant; and

WHEREAS, Nicole Rickertsen is temporarily increasing her scope and responsibility to meet the needs of the County in the Director’s absence;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Nicole Rickertsen’s pay will temporarily increase to \$24.00 per hour, effective 7/28/2025 and will automatically revert to \$21.17 effective upon the start date of a newly hired Director.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that payroll is authorized to make the listed increase and subsequent decrease, on the effective dates.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

9:49 A.M. Public Hearing with Possible Action to Follow

Chairperson George called a public hearing to order to solicit public comment on a proposed map amendment to the Clinton County Zoning Ordinance changing the designation of particular property in Section 8, Township 82 North, Range 4 East of the 5th P.M. from A-1 (Prime Agriculture) to R-1 (Suburban Residential).

Present were the Supervisors, County Auditor, media, and public.

Proof of publication was presented.

Thomas Barns said Planning & Zoning did recommend approval of this on July 1st.

George Andrew Bolrath explained the need for the subdivision.

Diane Burke, a neighbor to the property, asked that the zoning not be allowed to change.

Roxanne Keator a neighbor to the property, asked that the zoning not be allowed to change.

Phil Burke, a neighbor to the property, asked that the zoning not be allowed to change.

Sheila Bolrath, owner of the property, asked that the zoning be changed to allow the subdivision.

Doug Keeter, a neighbor to the property, asked that the zoning not be allowed to change.

George Bolrath. owner of the property, asked that the zoning be changed to allow the subdivision

MOTION by Supervisor Srp to adjourn the public hearing.

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

Motion carried. The public hearing was

adjourned at 10:22 A.M.

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2025-209

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Clinton County to establish and review policies from time to time;
and

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Conservation Board and the Human Resources Department have reviewed the Clinton County Conservation Commercial Driver License Bonus Policy, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that the Clinton County Conservation Commercial Driver License Bonus Policy be and is hereby adopted effective this date for up to a maximum of 5 personnel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this policy be distributed to all Clinton County Conservation Board employees.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; George: Yes. Erin George, Chairperson
There were three Resolutions from the Treasurer's office that were withdrawn from the agenda and not discussed.

DEPARTMENT HEADS, ELECTED OFFICIALS & EMPLOYEES
Supervisors shared their meeting schedules, indicating which ones they will each be attending this week. David Troester, County Auditor, shared that he would be attending a training in Des Moines next week. Dustin Johnson, County Treasurer, will be moving up the Property Tax mailing by a week. Phill Visser Conservation Catfish Classic on August 24th, Fishing has no boundaries on August 9th. Ally Weller, County Human Resources, this week they are conducting interviews for the VA position. August Anniversaries: Crystal Lant in communications, Ten years, Crystal Roth, Treasurer's office, and Colton Stewart, Sheriff's Office, five years, Troy Baker, maintenance, Dallas Johnson, jail, and Emma Jacobs, conservation, one year.

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION
28E Agreement Communications: Jeff Chapman brought to the attention of the Board that the 28E agreement for the Communications Commission was revised in December of 2024 and is ready to be signed by the participating parties. After the first 60 days in his position, he completed his 40-hour certification with ILEA.

Letter in support of Sheriff Reserves: A letter will be drafted in support of the Clinton County Sheriff's Reserve in support of a raffle license for fundraising efforts.

MOTION by Supervisor Srp to authorize the Chairperson to sign the letter of support.

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

Renewing the county Farm lease: In the state of Iowa, annually, the opportunity to terminate and renegotiate a lease on or before August 31st. After review of the current rates it was decided that a discussion with possible action will take place at the August 18th Board of Supervisors meeting.

Historic Preservation Commission: They are currently not working on any projects, and the majority of the board is not interested in continuing on. The question was asked if there would be a benefit to partnering with one of the city's historical societies. The Board will revisit this topic over the next two weeks.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 31, 2025, at the Clinton County Administration Building, 1900 N 3rd St., Clinton, IA.

David Troester, County Auditor Erin George, Chairperson

-APPROVED-

County Auditor

Chairperson