OCTOBER 6, 2025

The Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, met. 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 2025-274 through 2025-277 approved on the consent agenda:

RESOLUTION 2025-274

WHEREAS, Kurt Eschbach has submitted his resignation to Clinton County and wishes to end employment, as a Truck Driver, effective on his last working day October 10, 2025; 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 Secondary Road Fund in payment of wages without further order of the Board.

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

RESOLUTION 2025-275

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Sheriff has accepted the resignation of Gracie Brown.

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 the Jail, to Gracie's last day was September 29, 2025.

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

RESOLUTION 2025-276

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Conservation Board wishes to end employment of Michael Scheckel as a Seasonal Conservation Technician and Ella Eshelman as a Temporary Concession Worker for the Clinton County Conservation Board, effective October 1st, 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 Conservation General Fund in payment of wages without further order of the Board.

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

RESOLUTION 2025-277

BE IT RESOLVED by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors that Susan K. Alvis, d/b/a BS General Store, has electronically file an application for a Class C Commercial liquor license with endorsements for Sunday Sales, effective October 21, 2025, and said application be and is hereby approved by the Clinton County Board of Supervisors.

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

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2025-278 discussion: Todd Kinney, County Engineer, presented the resolution to award the materials contract for the F-2150 Bridge project.

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2025-278

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Supervisors has considered the bids received by the Clinton County Engineer's Office on September 16, 2025, for the F-2150 Materials Letting Project.

WHEREAS, one bid was received for each of the two bid options. The total amount of each bid was as

follows: Rinker Materials (Option A: Concrete Tee Beams) Bid: \$139,570.00 Valmont Industries (Option B: Steel Tub Girders) Bid: \$139,242.00

WHEREAS, to select the most economical bid, the installation costs for each option were added to bids as

follows: Option A: (Crane Rental and Keyway Grout) Installation Cost: \$9,381.30
Option B: (Deck Concrete and Reinforcing Steel) Installation Cost: \$19,083.08

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, concurs in the Engineer's recommendation that the contract for said work be awarded to the bidder with the most economical bid, as follows: Rinker Materials (Option A: Concrete Tee Beams)

Bid: \$139,570.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clinton County, Iowa, that, after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance (Todd Kinney), the County Engineer for Clinton County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and

empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded Materials Contract for this Clinton County.

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

Erin George, Chairperson

DEPARTMENT HEADS, ELECTED OFFICIALS & EMPLOYEES

- Supervisors shared the meetings they will each be attending this week.
- David Troester, County Auditor, is preparing for the upcoming November 4th elections, focusing on school, school board, and city elections. They mention efforts to develop their own ballots, as they are on the fifth or sixth version and have not yet received a usable one back from their current provider. Moving forward, they plan to handle ballot design and layout in-house.
- Dustin Johnson, County Treasurer, reported \$25.4 million will be distributed to local governments on October 15th. As of October 1st, there was \$9.1 million still to be collected for the first half. They also mention receiving mail related to collections, including some postmarked on September 30th, though delivery times are slow. Additionally, some larger corporate letters were received, but due to postdating, they haven't been processed yet.
- Bill Greenwalt, County Sheriff, congratulated Deputy Sheriff Jared Beshin as Law Enforcement Officer of the Year for his bravery during a fire rescue. The discussion also highlights ongoing mental health challenges in the jail.
- Matt Lancaster, Building Maintenance, gave an update on the storage building, which is now complete. Alliant has connected the energy, and plans are underway to insulate the file side of the building to control humidity. Quotes for spray foam insulation on the ceiling and gables, as well as batt insulation on the walls, have been obtained. They hope to complete the insulation and install shelving this month, which will allow them to start moving files.
- Chance Kness, Emergency Management, highlighted various outreach activities planned for the month, including distributing preparedness information and weather radios at Clinton Fire's Open House. Similar events are scheduled for this Saturday at the Comanche Fire Open House and the Great Pumpkin Fest, though supplies of radios will be limited to Clinton County citizens.
- Phill Visser, County Conservation, reported that the Halloween event at Walnut Grove in Eden Valley was a success and mentioned upcoming Halloween activities at Rock Creek, including a movie night on Friday, crafts and fun on Saturday, and trick-or-treating at 5:00 PM. They remind residents that the road through the campground will be closed during trick-or-treating. Additionally, they promote the upcoming banquet on November 1st, noting that tickets are available for purchase by contacting them or visiting the Eco Center.

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

Funding and staffing of EMA: The discussion covers a proposed staff restructuring within EMA, which did not receive support from the Board, primarily due to concerns about funding sustainability and budget constraints. The Board emphasizes the importance of adhering to existing bylaws and questioned the fairness of imposing obligations on the county without clear funding. The Board acknowledges and appreciates the efforts of Chance and Andrew, affirming the value of their work and the behind-the-scenes support they provide to first responders. The Board also notes the financial challenges at the state and local levels, highlighting the expectation of increased fiscal pressure.

Jail Medical Expense: The discussion focuses on upcoming financial and operational improvements related to jail medical expenses and services. The Sheriff emphasizes the rising cost of inmate healthcare, noting a potential increase of 5 to 10% or more, based on recent contract changes in neighboring counties. They express enthusiasm for bringing medical services in-house to improve outcomes, reduce liability, and have greater control, despite acknowledging the added complexity and risks. The conversation concludes with a consensus to proceed with a resolution to move forward with the Selection Services agreement.

The following resolution was presented and on motion approved:

RESOLUTION 2025-279

WHEREAS, Clinton County seeks assistance in selection of specialized roles; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Sheriff's Office has identified a specialist in the area related to the position being recruited for; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the chairman of the Board of Supervisors may execute the agreement, ending December 31, 2025, with Kimberly Mulholland for Selection Services.

Roll Call: Srp: Yes; Irwin: Yes; George: Yes. Erin George, Chairperson The Board of Supervisors adjourned to meet at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, October 13, 2025.

David Troester, County Auditor		Erin George, Chairperson
	-APPROVED-	
County Auditor		Chairperson