

November 13, 2024

Meeting of the Clayton County Board of Supervisors at 600 Gunder Road NE, Elkader, Iowa.

Present: Steve Doepcke, Ray Peterson, and Doug Reimer

Guests: Patti Ruff, Sarah Moser, Justin Williams, Ken Hanson, Scott McCune, Casey Stickfort, Bob Kurdelmeyer, Sue Meyer, Richard Bahls, Lucas Merritt, Julian Merritt, Jennifer Shane, Ross Merritt, and Jennifer Garms.

The Board discussed a Safety Action Plan to identify the most significant roadway safety concerns. Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to authorize the chair to sign a pledge stating that Clayton County is committed to implementing the safety strategies outlined in the Safety Action Plan. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Information Technology Director Bob Kurdelmeyer provided a departmental update.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to approve the meeting minutes for November 6, 2024. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to approve the claims as presented totaling \$237,317.55, withholding the Hawkeye Sanitation claim for payment for \$15,999.31 until after discussion. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

The Board discussed rural garbage disposal services with Hawkeye Sanitation.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to approve the Hawkeye Sanitation claim for \$15,999.31. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to fill the County Recorder position by appointment. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

The Board of Supervisors and Jennifer Garms, County Auditor, met as a Board of Canvassers, as provided by law, and canvassed the election returns from the General Election held November 5, 2024. The result of said canvass is as follows:

President and Vice President

Donald J. Trump/JD Vance, REP	Received Six Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty-Five (6,255) votes
Kamala D. Harris/Tim Walz, DEM	Received Three Thousand and Seventeen (3,017) votes
Chase Oliver/Mike ter Maat, LIB	Received Thirty-Four (34) votes
Claudia De la Cruz/Karina Garcia, PSL	Received Five (5) votes
William P. Stodden/Stephanie H. Cholensky, SOC	Received One (1) vote
Robert F. Kennedy Jr/Nicole Shanahan, WTP	Received Sixty-Three (63) votes
Shiva Ayyadurai/Crystal Ellis	Received Six (6) votes
Scattering	Received Nineteen (19) votes
Total	Nine Thousand Four Hundred (9,400) votes

United States Representative District 2

Ashley Hinson, REP	Received Six Thousand Four Hundred and Nine (6,409) votes
Sarah Corkery, DEM	Received Two Thousand Six Hundred and Forty-Seven (2,647) votes
Jody Madlom Puffett	Received One Hundred and Thirteen (113) votes
Scattering	Received Two (2) votes
Total	Nine Thousand One Hundred and Seventy-One (9,171) votes

State Senator District 32

Mike Klimesh, REP	Received Six Thousand One Hundred and Twenty (6,120) votes
Brian Bruening, DEM	Received Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-One (2,921) votes
Scattering	Received Three (3) votes
Total	Nine Thousand and Forty-Four (9,044) votes

State Representative District 64

Jason Gearhart, REP	Received Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Three (5,903) votes
Ian Zahren	Received Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty (2,780) votes
Scattering	Received Twenty-Four (24) votes
Total	Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Seven (8,707) votes

Supreme Court Justice - David May

Yes Received Five Thousand and Eight (5,008) votes  
No Received Two Thousand Two Hundred and Five (2,205) votes  
Total Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Thirteen (7,213) votes

Court of Appeals Judge - Mary Elizabeth Chicchelly

Yes Received Four Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy-Six (4,676) votes  
No Received One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-Seven (1,857) votes  
Total Six Thousand Five Hundred and Thirty-Three (6,533) votes

Court of Appeals Judge - Samuel Langholz

Yes Received Four Thousand Five Hundred and One (4,501) votes  
No Received One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Seven (1,957) votes  
Total Six Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty-Eight (6,458) votes

Court of Appeals Judge - Mary Ellen Tabor

Yes Received Four Thousand Five Hundred and Eighty-Four (4,584) votes  
No Received One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-Three (1,873) votes  
Total Six Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty-Seven (6,457) votes

Court of Appeals Judge - Tyler J. Buller

Yes Received Four Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy-Eight (4,478) votes  
No Received One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-Five (1,875) votes  
Total Six Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty-Three (6,353) votes

District 1A Judge - Thomas A. Bitter

Yes Received Four Thousand Eight Hundred and Eleven (4,811) votes  
No Received One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-One (1,761) votes  
Total Six Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy-Two (6,572) votes

District 1A Judge - Monica Ackley

Yes Received Four Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy-Six (4,576) votes  
No Received One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty (1,840) votes  
Total Six Thousand Four Hundred and Sixteen (6,416) votes

District 1A Associate Judge - Robert James Richter

Yes Received Four Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-Nine (4,889) votes  
No Received One Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty-Seven (1,657) votes  
Total Six Thousand Five Hundred and Forty-Six (6,546) votes

Constitutional Amendment 1

Yes Received Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty (6,730) votes  
No Received One Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty-Nine (1,489) votes  
Total Eight Thousand Two Hundred and Nineteen (8,219) votes

Constitutional Amendment 2

Yes Received Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Seven (6,967) votes  
No Received One Thousand Two Hundred (1,200) votes  
Total Eight Thousand One Hundred and Sixty-Seven (8,167) votes

County Board of Supervisors

Ray A. Peterson, REP Received Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Forty-Eight (7,448) votes  
Scattering Received One Hundred and Fifty (150) votes  
Total Seven Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety-Eight (7,598) votes  
We therefore declare Ray A. Peterson to be duly elected for the office of County Board of Supervisors for the term of 4 years.

County Auditor

Jennifer Garms, DEM Received Six Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty-Four (6,464) votes  
Scattering Received One Hundred and Thirty-Nine (139) votes  
Total Six Thousand Six Hundred and Three (6,603) votes  
We therefore declare Jennifer Garms to be duly elected for the office of County Auditor for the term of 4 years.

County Sheriff

Brent Ostrander, REP Received Seven Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Two (7,932) votes  
Scattering Received One Hundred and Ninety-Two (192) votes  
Total Eight Thousand One Hundred and Twenty-Four (8,124) votes

We therefore declare Brent Ostrander to be duly elected for the office of County Sheriff for the term of 4 years.

Cass Township Trustee

David E. Gould Received One Hundred and Sixty-Four (164) votes  
Scattering Received Zero (0) votes  
Total One Hundred and Sixty-Four (164) votes

We therefore declare David E. Gould to be duly elected for the office of Cass Township Trustee for the term of 4 years.

Cass Township Trustee To Fill a Vacancy

Rande Moeller Received One Hundred and Ninety-Six (196) votes  
Scattering Received Zero (0) votes  
Total One Hundred and Ninety-Six (196) votes

We therefore declare Rande Moeller to be duly elected for the office of Cass Township Trustee To Fill a Vacancy.

Mallory Township Trustee

Dennis D. Walthart Received One Hundred and Sixty-One (161) votes  
Scattering Received Three (3) votes  
Total One Hundred and Sixty-Four (164) votes

We therefore declare Dennis D. Walthart to be duly elected for the office of Mallory Township Trustee for the term of 4 years.

Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioner

Gerry Ommen Received Five Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty-One (5,381) votes  
Robert Sass Received Five Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety-Seven (5,697) votes  
Tina Troester Received Five Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty (5,620) votes  
Scattering Received Fifty-Six (56) votes  
Total Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-Four (16,754) votes

We therefore declare Gerry Ommen, Robert Sass, and Tina Troester to be duly elected for the office of Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioner for the term of 4 years.

County Agricultural Extension Council

Joe Shirbroun Received Four Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety-Eight (4,598) votes  
Shana Hilgerson Received Four Thousand Five Hundred and Thirty-One (4,531) votes  
Kaitlin Landon Received Three Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy-Three (3,573) votes  
Nicole Winch Parker Received Three Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty-Three (3,683) votes  
Julie Bergan Received Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty-Eight (4,738) votes  
Scattering Received Forty-Four (44) votes  
Total Twenty-One Thousand One Hundred and Sixty-Seven (21,167) votes

We therefore declare Joe Shirbroun, Shana Hilgerson, Nicole Winch Parker, and Julie Bergan to be duly elected for the office of County Agricultural Extension Council for the term of 4 years.

These results are for Clayton County only. Official canvass and abstract materials are on file in the Auditor's Office.

The Board reconvened as the Board of Supervisors.

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to approve the canvass of the General Election held November 5, 2024. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to approve the claims for the canvass as presented totaling \$22,706.55. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to accept and place on file the Post-Election Audit Report & Auditor Certification for the General Election held November 5, 2024. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

/s/ Ray Peterson, Board of Supervisors Chair  
Attest: Jennifer Garms, Clayton County Auditor