

March 18, 2025

Meeting at 9:30 AM of the Clayton County Board of Supervisors at 600 Gunder Road NE, Elkader, Iowa. Present: Steve Doepcke and Doug Reimer. Absent: Ray Peterson, Guests: Christine Kauffman, Gene Kauffman, Adam Lake, Destiny Kapler, Brent Ostrander, Tammy Sylvester, Jenna K. Van Meeteren, Brittany Hubanks, Andy Loan, Josie Fettkether, Linda Zuercher, Amy Bahnsen, and Peggy Lane.

Information Technology Director Bob Kurdelmeyer previously provided a departmental update by email.

Prices have been requested for the addition of technology/screens for the Supervisor's Office

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to approve the meeting minutes for March 10, 2025. Ayes: Doepcke, Reimer. Motion carried.

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to approve the claims as presented totaling \$78,135.20. Ayes: Doepcke, Reimer. Motion carried.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to approve the 2025 Noxious Weed Notice which will be published in the local newspapers. Ayes: Doepcke, Reimer. Motion carried.

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to have the chairman sign a 2025 Winneshiek County Solid Waste Grant Application for the annual hazardous waste cleanup at Osborne. Ayes: Doepcke, Reimer. Motion carried.

Budget workshop: Sheriff Brent Ostrander discussed contracting IT services for the Law Enforcement Center for the remainder of FY25 and FY26.

Brittany Hubanks provided a departmental update to the Board for the Visiting Nurses' Association.

The Board of Supervisors and Peggy Lane, Deputy County Auditor, met as a Board of Canvassers, as provided by law, and canvassed the election returns from the Special Election held March 4, 2025. The result of said canvass is as follows:

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| Starmont School Director At-Large (To Fill Vacancy) |  |
| Douglas Puffett                                     | Received Two Hundred Seventy-Seven (277) votes |
| Cheryl Northrop                                     | Received One Hundred Sixty-Two (162) votes     |
| Scattering  | Received One (1) vote                          |
| Total   | Four Hundred Forty (440) votes                 |

We therefore declare Douglas Puffett to be duly elected for the office of Starmont School Director (To Fill Vacancy) for the remainder of the unexpired term of four years ending 2027.

Starmont Community School District - Public Measure EY

Shall the following public measure be adopted?

Shall the Board of Directors of the Starmont Community School District, in the Counties of Buchanan, Clayton, Delaware, and Fayette, State of Iowa, for the purpose of purchasing and improving grounds; constructing schoolhouses or buildings and opening roads to schoolhouses or buildings; purchasing of buildings; purchase, lease or lease-purchase of technology and equipment; paying debts contracted for the erection or construction of schoolhouses or buildings, not including interest on bonds; procuring or acquisition of libraries; repairing, remodeling, reconstructing, improving, or expanding the schoolhouses or buildings and additions to existing schoolhouses; expenditures for energy conservation; renting facilities under Iowa Code Chapter 28E; purchasing transportation equipment for transporting students; lease purchase option agreements for school buildings or equipment; purchasing equipment authorized by law; or for any purpose or purposes now or hereafter authorized by law, be authorized for a period of ten (10) years to levy and impose a voter-approved physical plant and equipment tax of not exceeding One Dollar Thirty-Four Cents (\$1.34) per One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) of assessed valuation of the taxable property within the school district, and be authorized annually, in combination, as determined by the board, to levy a physical plant and equipment property tax upon all the taxable property within the school district commencing with the levy of property taxes for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, and to impose a physical plant and equipment income surtax upon the state individual income tax of each individual income taxpayer resident in the school district on December 31 for each calendar year commencing with calendar year 2026, or each year thereafter?

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| Yes | Received Two Hundred Seventy-Eight (278) votes |
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| No    | Received One Hundred Seventy-Seven (277) votes |
| Total | Four Hundred Fifty-Five (455) votes            |

We therefore declare Starmont Community School District - Public Measure EY to be adopted.

The Board reconvened as the Board of Supervisors.

Denise Ballard, Iowa Governmental Healthcare Plan, discussed the FY26 County health insurance renewal and options for alternative plan designs to effect savings for Clayton County.

/s/ Doug Reimer, Board of Supervisors Chair  
Attest: Peggy Lane, Deputy Clayton County Auditor