

July 29, 2025

Meeting at 9:30 AM of the Clayton County Board of Supervisors at 600 Gunder Road NE, Elkader, Iowa.

Present: Steve Doepcke, Ray Peterson, and Doug Reimer

Guests: Josie Fettkether, Patti Ruff, Tiffaney Johansen, Zach Herrmann, Kaitlyn Kuehl-Berns, Casey Stickfort, Jessica Goltz, Jared Funk, Ariell Funk, Chris Jordan, Diana Johnson, Darla Kelchen, and Jennifer Garms

Doepcke moved, Peterson seconded to approve the meeting minutes for July 22, 2025. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Doepcke moved, Peterson seconded to approve the claims as presented totaling \$192,197.13. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Peterson moved, Doepcke seconded to enter into a closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

-- CLOSED SESSION --

Peterson moved, Doepcke seconded to leave closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Peterson moved, Doepcke seconded to move forward with replacement of the entire Elkader Secondary Roads Shop Addition floor, including in-floor heating. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Doepcke moved, Peterson seconded to approve the 28E Agreement for a Winter Material Storage Shed with the City of Garnavillo. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

The Opioid Settlement Committee discussed with the Board their past meeting and made funding recommendations. Peterson moved, Doepcke seconded to allocate Opioid Settlement funds to Seva Health for \$38,150.00 and Substance Abuses Services for Clayton County for \$37,500.00 for one year's funding and instructed the organizations to return at a later date to present an impact statement. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Chairperson Reimer opened a public hearing regarding an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. The amendment references a change from Agricultural (A-1) to Commercial (C-1) to allow for climate-controlled storage and office space at 22301 Hwy 128. The Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously approved the change and no public concerns have been heard. The public hearing was closed. Doepcke moved, Peterson seconded to approve the first reading of Amendment #4-2025 to the Zoning Ordinance for a change from Agricultural (A-1) to Commercial (C-1) to allow for climate-controlled storage and office space at 22301 Hwy 128. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried. Peterson moved, Doepcke seconded to waive the second and third readings for Amendment #4-2025 to the Zoning Ordinance for a change from Agricultural (A-1) to Commercial (C-1) to allow for climate-controlled storage and office space at 22301 Hwy 128. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to approve the wage certification of \$51,000 per year/\$26.15 per hour for Shawn Wirkler as Information Technology Support Technician, pending work capacity evaluation. Ayes: Doepcke, Reimer, Peterson. Motion carried.

Peterson moved, Doepcke seconded to move forward with the Community Project grant funds for Affordable Housing in the amount of \$635,000.00. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Peterson moved, Doepcke seconded to approve the claim for Knudtson Rentals for \$600.00. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

/s/ Doug Reimer, Board of Supervisors Chair
Attest: Jennifer Garms, Clayton County Auditor