

March 17, 2026

Meeting at 9:00 AM of the Clayton County Board of Supervisors at 600 Gunder Road NE, Elkader, Iowa.

Present: Steve Doepcke, Ray Peterson, and Doug Reimer

Guests: Linda Zuercher, Brian Harbaugh, Douglas Puffett, Garrett Baumgartner, Shawn Wirkler, Caytee Jones, Casey Stickfort, Jenna Van Meeteren, Ean Popenhagen, Peggy Lane, Bart Burgin, Kaitlyn Kuehl-Berns, and Jennifer Garms.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to approve the meeting minutes for March 10, 2026. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to approve the claims as presented totaling \$66,001.39. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Garrett Baumgartner provided an Information Technology departmental update.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to approve the Health and Zoning Department to move to a digital only filing system. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

One bid was received for the L-1526(1) Fox Avenue over Honey Creek Bridge Replacement project. The bid was K Construction – \$125,136.50. Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to award the contract for L-1526(1) Fox Avenue over Honey Creek Bridge Replacement project to K Construction for \$125,136.50 and to authorize the chair to sign. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to approve resolution #14-2026 “Bridge Deck Overlay, Project L-1526(1).” Roll Call Vote: Doepcke-aye, Peterson-aye, Reimer-aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #14-2026
BRIDGE DECK OVERLAY, PROJECT L-1526(1)

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as “the Board”, believes Fox Avenue Bridge Replacement, Project No. L-1526(1), hereafter referred to as “the project” is in the best interest of Clayton County, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as a bridge replacement project on Fox Avenue over Honey Creek located in Section 25, T92N, R5W.

WHEREAS, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications and bidding/letting; and

WHEREAS, The Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Clayton County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board to accept the bid from K CONSTRUCTION INC., in the amount of \$125,136.50 and awards the associated contract(s) to the same;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of The Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Clayton County, Iowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor’s bond and certificate of insurance, Casey Stickfort, the County Engineer for Clayton 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 construction project.

Three bids were received for the L-26037 Garnavillo Salt/Sand Shed Improvements project. The bids were: Bacon Concrete – \$64,840.00, Ethan Koehn Construction - \$31,500.00, and B&R Construction - \$59,702.00. Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to award the contract for the L-26037 Garnavillo

Salt/Sand Shed Improvements project to Ethan Koehn Construction for \$31,500.00 and to authorize the chair to sign. Ayes: Doeppke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried

The Board discussed options for a health savings account to be added as an option to the county insurance renewal.

The Visiting Nurses' Update had to be rescheduled.

Amanda Webb, CPA, and Bobbi Vierow, CPA, from Hacker, Nelson & Co., P.C., presented the FY2025 County Audit Review and discussed the findings with the Board. Peterson moved, Doeppke seconded to accept and place on file the FY2025 Financial Report. Ayes: Doeppke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

The Board worked on the FY2027 County Budget.

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