March 22, 2022

Meeting of the Clayton County Board of Supervisors at 600 Gunder Road NE, Elkader, Iowa.
Present: Steve Doeppke, Sharon Keehner, and Ray Peterson
Guests: Rafe Koopman, John Jensen, and Jennifer Garms

Doeppke moved, Keehner seconded to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2022 meeting. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, Peterson. Motion carried.

Keehner moved, Doeppke seconded to approve the claims as presented totaling $40,080.74. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, Peterson. Motion carried.

Keehner moved, Doeppke seconded to authorize the chair to sign an agreement with the City of Guttenberg for 911 Service Board equipment/easement in the amount of at least $5,192.00 but no more than $7,000.00. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, Peterson. Motion carried.

Peterson moved, Keehner seconded to approve the Iowa Governmental Health Care Plan FY2023 insurance renewal with a 7% increase. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner and Peterson. Motion carried.

Keehner moved, Peterson seconded to approve the purchase of two belly dump trailers for $32,500.00 each. Ayes: Keehner, Peterson. Nays: Doeppke. Motion carried.

Keehner moved, Doeppke seconded to approve resolution #9-2022 “Question on General Election Ballot”. Roll Call Vote: Doeppke-aye, Keehner-aye, Peterson-aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #9-2022
QUESTION ON GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

WHEREAS, Section 39.22, Code of Iowa, grants the Board of Supervisors the authority to appoint the offices of Trustees and Clerk of a Township in lieu of filling such position by election;

WHEREAS, Section 39.22, Code of Iowa, authorizes the Board of Supervisors to direct the County Commissioner of Elections to submit to the qualified electors of a township the question of whether to appoint the officers of the township, namely the Township Clerk and the Township Trustees, rather than to have them elected; and

WHEREAS, said question must be submitted at a General Election; and

WHEREAS, a majority of qualified electors of a township must vote in favor of appointing their officers rather than electing them in order to change from the present system of electing them, to the new system of having them appointed by the Board of Supervisors; therefore

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Clayton County, Iowa, hereby directs the County Auditor and Commissioner of Elections to place the proposition to fill township offices by appointment of the Board of Supervisors, on the November 8, 2022, General Election ballot in each township in Clayton County. The question will read as follows:

“Shall the following public measure be adopted?”

“Shall the Clayton County Board of Supervisors fill the offices of Trustees and Clerk of (insert township name) Township by appointment as the terms of office of the incumbent township officers expire?”

Doeppke moved, Keehner seconded to approve resolution #10-2022 “Allocating American Rescue Plan Act Funds”. Roll Call Vote: Doeppke-aye, Keehner-aye, Peterson-aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #10-2022
ALLOCATING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS
WHEREAS, in March 2021, the federal government established the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) which included the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) to provide state, local and Tribal governments with the resources needed to respond to the pandemic and its economic effects; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of the Treasury issued an Interim Final Rule implementing the SLFRF program on May 10, 2021, which included replacing lost revenue to County governments, and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2022, the Treasury issued final rules for the SLFRF program, including authorization for counties to allocate up to $10,000,000 of their total SLFRF allocation as lost revenue to spend on government services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clayton County Board of Supervisors approves allocating its total SLFRF allocation in the expected amount of $3,408,688 as lost revenue to spend on government services.

The Board worked on the American Rescue Plan Act items.

The Board discussed the outstanding items with Auditor Jennifer Garms. This related to signage, phone systems, current contracts and scheduling.

Michelle Martinek, CPA, and Bobbi Vierow, CPA, from Hacker, Nelson & Co., P.C., presented the FY2021 County Audit Review and discussed the findings with the Board. Keehner moved, Doeppke seconded to accept and place on file the FY2021 Financial Report and authorize the chair to sign the representation letter. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner and Peterson. Motion carried.

The Board worked on the FY2022 County Budget Amendment.

The Board worked on the FY2023 County Budget.

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