August 9, 2022

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

Present: Steve Doeppke, Sharon Keehner, and Ray Peterson


Keehner moved, Doeppke seconded to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2022, August 3, 2022, and August 4, 2022 meetings. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, Peterson. Motion carried.

Doeppke moved, Keehner seconded to approve the claims as presented totaling $268,355.83. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, Peterson. Motion carried.

Doeppke moved, Keehner seconded to approve the semi-annual report of funds for the county as of June 30, 2022, as presented by Treasurer Linda Zuercher. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, Peterson. Motion carried.

Keehner moved, Doeppke seconded to approve resolution #24-2022 "Resolution to Vacate a County Road". Roll Call Vote: Doeppke-aye, Keehner-aye, Peterson-aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #24-2022
RESOLUTION TO VACATE A COUNTY ROAD

WHEREAS, The Clayton County Board of Supervisors desires to vacate roads that are of little use to the public, and

WHEREAS, The Clayton County Board of Supervisors acting under authority of Iowa Code Chapter 306, propose to vacate a section of excess road right of way described as follows:

See attached Plats 2022R02796 Book 49 page 119 and 2022R02796 Book 49 page 120

WHEREAS, No objections have been received, either in writing or by persons present.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Clayton County Board of Supervisors that the sections of excess road right of way be vacated. The section of excess road right of way is described as follows:

See attached Plats 2022R02796 Book 49 page 119 and 2022R02796 Book 49 page 120

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Clayton County Board of Supervisors that said right of way heretofore described, together with any and all rights of Clayton County in and to the same are hereby abandoned and disposed of and Clayton County disclaims any right, title or interest in and to said right of way or the use thereof for any purposes whatsoever.

Doeppke moved, Keehner seconded to approve a contract with Rafe Koopman to act as Interim County Engineer for $400.00 per week until a County Engineer is hired. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, Peterson. Motion carried.

Keehner moved, Doeppke seconded to approve publishing in the August 17, 2022 newspaper issues for bids on the Sheriff’s Office roof to be submitted by August 29, 2022 for the public hearing on August 30, 2022. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, Peterson. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed projects to be paid with American Rescue Plan Act funds. Keehner moved, Doeppke seconded to approve moving forward with the purchase of training tables, chairs, Auditor’s Office painting, cement at Rural Services, and cement at Courthouse to replace rocked areas. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, Peterson. Motion carried.
Keehner moved, Doeppke seconded to approve resolution #25-2022 “Anti-Human trafficking Proclamation”. Roll Call Vote: Doeppke-aye, Keehner-aye, Peterson-aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #25-2022
ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, human trafficking is a widespread crime and devastating to society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, human trafficking is not restricted to any group of people, but crosses racial, educational, gender, age, and economic barriers; and

WHEREAS, the crime of human trafficking violates an individual’s privacy, dignity, security, and humanity; and

WHEREAS, only a coordinated statewide effort will prevent this vicious crime; and

WHEREAS, Iowa’s Safe at Home program provides address confidentiality to approximately 1,200 participants in 77 counties which allows these survivors to live active lives within their society; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Businesses Against Trafficking is a statewide initiative by the Iowa Secretary of State’s Office which encourages businesses, agencies, and other entities to Learn Something and Do Something to help end Human Trafficking in Iowa.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Clayton County Board of Supervisors that Clayton County is taking a stand against human trafficking in our county by joining Iowa Businesses Against Trafficking.

Doeppke moved, Keehner seconded to approve the renewal of a Class B Native Wine Permit with Sunday Sales for Clayton County Conservation. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, and Peterson. Motion carried.

Keehner moved, Doeppke seconded to approve a cigarette permit for PromiseLand Winery for FY2023. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, Peterson. Motion carried.

Chairperson Peterson opened the public hearing regarding rezoning from Agricultural to Riverside Recreational for a seasonal, permanent campground located at 30195 Acre Road owned by Dan Sage. It was shared that this proposed project is located on approximately 67.5 acres containing 80 proposed sites and that on July 12, 2022, the Planning and Zoning Commission voted 8-0 in denial of the rezoning request. Comments were made relating to: family’s wishes, economic impact, tourist destination, noise, drinking, increased strain on EMS and law enforcement, communication with neighbors, maintenance, and agricultural preservation. A petition with signature against the rezoning was submitted with all dates noted before the Planning & Zoning Commission’s meeting. The public hearing was closed. Doeppke moved, Keehner seconded to table the decision on the rezoning to the August 16, 2022 meeting. Ayes: Doeppke and Keehner. Abstain: Peterson. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the County Engineer position. Doeppke moved, Keehner seconded to authorize the chair to contact Candidate D to see if they would accept the County Engineer position. Ayes: Doeppke, Keehner, Peterson. Motion carried. Closed session was not utilized.

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