

January 27, 2026

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

Present: Steve Doeppke and Doug Reimer

Absent: Ray Peterson

Guests: Steve Osmundson, Randy Stephenson, Garrett Baumgartner, Shawn Wirkler, Joe Zuercher, Chris Jordan, Terry Puelz, Shirley Christianson, Jenna Van Meeteren, Molly Scherf, Daryl Landsgard, Brent Ostrander, Andy Loan, Mark Kautman, Linda Zuercher, Phillip Moore, Kaitlyn Kuehl-Berns, and Jennifer Garms

Doeppke moved, Reimer seconded to approve the meeting minutes for January 20, 2026. Ayes: Doeppke, Reimer. Motion carried.

Reimer moved, Doeppke seconded to approve the claims as presented totaling \$124,008.85. Ayes: Doeppke, Reimer. Motion carried.

Garrett Baumgartner provided an Information Technology departmental update.

The Board worked on the FY2027 County Budget.

Chris Jordan discussed the guidelines for emergency burial assistance for county veterans. Doeppke moved, Reimer seconded to approve increasing the maximum county contribution for emergency burial assistance for county veterans from \$1,500.00 to \$2,000.00 and to remove the second tier of burial assistance set \$900.00. Ayes: Doeppke, Reimer. Motion carried.

Shirley Christianson and Terry Puelz provided a departmental update and reviewed the FY2027 budget request with the Board for Scenic Acres Care Facility.

Jenna Van Meeteren, Molly Scherf, and Daryl Landsgard provided a departmental update and reviewed the FY2027 budget request with the Board for Conservation.

Auditor Jennifer Garms provided a departmental update and reviewed the FY2027 budget request with the Board.

Treasurer Linda Zuercher provided a departmental update and reviewed the FY2027 budget request with the Board.

Sheriff Brent Ostrander and Mark Kautman provided a departmental update and reviewed the FY2027 budget request with the Board.

Doeppke moved, Reimer seconded to approve resolution #7-2026 "Acceptance of Minor Subdivision Plat of Sugarbush Subdivision." Roll Call Vote: Doeppke-aye, Peterson-absent, Reimer-aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #7-2026 ACCEPTANCE OF MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF SUGARBUSH SUBDIVISION

Accepting the final plat of Sugarbush Subdivision located in portions of the fractional North Half of Section 5, Township 94 North, Range 3 West of the 5th P.M., Clayton County, Iowa, and more particularly described in "Exhibit A".

WHEREAS, there has been submitted to the Board of Supervisors of Clayton County, Iowa, a plat of real property hereinafter designated as a Sugarbush Subdivision located in portions of the fractional North Half of Section 5, Township 94 North, Range 3 West of the 5th P.M., Clayton County, Iowa, and more particularly described in "Exhibit A".

WHEREAS, Donald Ruff ET AL, owners of said real property, have executed and acknowledged an instrument consenting to said plat.

WHEREAS, it appears that said plat complies with all requirements of Chapters 354 and 355 of the Code of Iowa.

WHEREAS, the Clayton County Subdivision Review Committee has recommended approval of said subdivision, affirming that it has complied with all the regulations of Clayton County, Iowa.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Clayton County Board of Supervisors that the Board approves the final minor subdivision plat submitted by Donald Ruff ET AL, owners of said real property, in Clayton County, Iowa, and described above.

The Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to endorse the Board's recommendation of approval by certifying a copy of this resolution for recording with said Plat and supporting documents in the offices of the County Recorder and the County Auditor of Clayton County, Iowa.

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