

April 14, 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: Elizabeth Jaster, Jessica Goltz, Tom Clark, Andy Loan, Douglas Puffett, Josie Fekkether, Caytee Jones, Savannah Wangsness, Casey Stickfort, Tiffaney Johansen, Kaitlyn Kuehl-Berns, and Jennifer Garms.

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to approve the meeting minutes for April 7, 2026 and April 9, 2026. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to approve the claims as presented totaling \$235,365.74. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to approve the placement of a bench as a memorial for former Assessor Office Manager Linda Werger on the courthouse grounds. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to approve the placement of garbage cans on either end of Big Springs Road with monitoring and disposal done by the Clayton County SxS Riders. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Jessica Goltz provided a program update and made a FY2027 funding request for Seva Health.

The Board discussed the Judicial Mental Health Advocate position and how the position can be filled by an individual, contracted with a company/service, or through a 28E Agreement with another county and their staff member(s).

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to approve and place on file the report of fees for January through March 2026 for the following: Auditor, \$2,726.56; Recorder, \$29,522.07; Sheriff, \$18,849.90. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Three bids were received for painting road markings. They included Fahrner Asphalt Sealers for \$91,925.00, Iowa Plains Signing for \$125,650.00, and Vogel Traffic Services for \$95,882.50. Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to award the bid for painting road marking to Fahrner Asphalt Sealers for \$91,925.00. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to authorize the chair to sign an agreement with the Iowa Department of Transportation for Traffic Safety Improvement Program funding for the B45 Hill project for \$445,000.00. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to approve the FY2027 Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) Secondary Roads budget. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Reimer moved, Doepcke seconded to approve the FY2027 Secondary Roads Five-Year Construction Program. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

Doepcke moved, Reimer seconded to approve an amendment for a Class B Retail Alcohol License for Driftless Cave and Campground DBA Spook Cave and Campground. Ayes: Doepcke, Peterson, Reimer. Motion carried.

The Board worked on the FY2026 County Budget Amendment.

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/s/ Ray Peterson, Board of Supervisors Chair

Attest: Jennifer Garms, Clayton County Auditor