

Clarke County Board of Supervisors
March 15, 2021

March 15, 2021 – The Clarke County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on March 15, 2021, at the Clarke County Courthouse with the following members present: Dean Robins and Austin Taylor. Larry Keller was absent. Also, present Auditor Janice White, Osceola Sentinel-Tribune Editor Tyra Audlehelm, Recorder Peggy Cummings and Treasurer Debbie Lynn. Chairman Dean Robins called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m. Austin Taylor made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Dean Robins. All Ayes.

Res 21-040 – WHEREAS, the Clarke County Compensation Board meets annually to recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Chapters 331.905 and 331.907, and

WHEREAS, the Clarke County Compensation Board met on December 14, 2020, and made the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Current Salary</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>	<u>Recommended Salary</u>
Auditor	\$60,682.13	3%	\$62,502.59
Attorney	\$108,023.67	3%	\$111,264.38
Recorder	\$60,636.75	3%	\$62,455.88
Sheriff	\$78,667.78	3%	\$81,027.81
Treasurer	\$60,682.13	3%	\$62,502.59
Supervisors	\$32,104.28	2%	\$32,746.37
Supervisor Chair	\$33,124.28	2% (\$1,000 Stipend)	\$33,746.37

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Clarke County Board of Supervisors approves the following salaries for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Approved Salary</u>	<u>Approved Increase</u>
Auditor	\$61,895.77	2%
Attorney	\$110,184.14	2%
Recorder	\$61,849.49	2%
Sheriff	\$80,241.14	2%
Treasurer	\$61,895.77	2%
Supervisors	\$32,104.28	0%
Supervisor Chair	\$33,104.28	0%

Motion made for the foregoing by Austin Taylor, seconded by Dean Robins. Vote was: “Ayes”: Dean Robins and Austin Taylor. Larry Keller was absent. “Nays”: None.

Approved this 15th day of March, 2021

Recorder Cummings and Treasurer Lynn left at 9:22 a.m.

Res 21-041 – Moved by Austin Taylor, seconded by Dean Robins to approve and sign Scheduled Maintenance Agreement with EXCEL Mechanical Co., Inc. for heating and cooling at the Clarke County Courthouse for a guaranteed price of \$2,500 per year.

Vote was: “Ayes”: Dean Robins and Austin Taylor. “Nays”: None. Larry Keller was absent.
Signed this 15th day of March, 2021.

Res 21-042 – Moved by Austin Taylor, seconded by Dean Robins, to appoint Sara Whirrett, to serve as Weed Commissioner for 2021, at a salary of \$17,564, effective March 15, 2021.

Vote was, “Ayes”: Dean Robins and Austin Taylor. “Nays”: None. Larry Keller was absent.
Signed this 15th day of March, 2021.

Res 21-043 – Moved by Austin Taylor, seconded by Dean Robins, to adopt the following Notice of Destruction of Noxious Weeds.

You are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 317 of the Code of Iowa, Chapter 58 of the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship Administrative Code, and amendments thereto; the Board of Supervisors and the appointed Weed Commissioner of Clarke County, Iowa declare that owners or persons in control of the real estate within said county shall eradicate all Class A noxious weeds and control all Class B noxious weeds.

The following recommended dates are guidelines only. All Class A noxious weeds to be eradicated and all Class B noxious weeds to be controlled from Chapter 58 of the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship Administrative Code, 21-58.4(317) are listed below. Measures of control shall take place at such time, in each year, and in such manner as shall prevent such weeds from blooming or coming to maturity throughout the growing season. Weather conditions may cause weeds to mature several weeks ahead of normal and consequently require control measures prior to the listed dates. Any landowner with property under CPR contract with the USDA is encouraged to consult with their local office and must abide by contract requirements.

Propriety Weed Species as specified by IDALS Admin. Code 58(2019)

Class A noxious weeds for eradication include:

May 15, 2021 - Palmer amaranth (*Amaranthus palmeri*).

Class B noxious weeds for control include:

June 1, 2021

- a. Canada thistle (*Cirsium arvense*).
- b. Teasel (*Dipsacus* spp.) biennial.
- c. Leafy spurge (*Euphorbia esula*).
- d. Bull thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*).
- e. Multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*).
- f. European morning glory or field bindweed (*Convolvulus arvensis*).
- g. All other species of thistles belonging in the genus of *Carduus*. (Musk Thistle, etc.)

Other Noxious Weed Species listed in Chapter 317.1(A) to be controlled are:

Quack Grass, Perennial Sow Thistle, Horse Nettle, Perennial Peppergrass, Russian Knapweed, Buckthorn, Butter print, Cocklebur, Wild Mustard, Wild Carrot, Buckhorn Plantain, Sheep Sorrel, Sour Dock, Smooth Dock, Poison Hemlock, Wild Sunflower, Puncture Vine and Shatter cane.

In Case of Landowners and tenants failing to comply with any order to destroy weeds made pursuant to Chapter 317, Chapter 58 of the Iowa Department of Agriculture Administrative Code, and amendments thereto, the Weed Commissioner or Deputies assigned by the Weed Commissioner may enter private lands five days after service a destruction notice in order to conduct control on any weed infestation. The cost of this destruction, the cost of serving notice, and other related costs will be billed. If the bill is not paid, the cost of said destruction will be assessed to the tax roles of the weed violator. Also, the weed commissioner may pose a fine for each day of non-compliance up to ten days at the rate of ten dollars per day.

The County Auditor be and is hereby directed to cause notice of the making and entering of the foregoing order to be published in the official newspaper of the County.

Vote was: “Ayes”: Dean Robins and Austin Taylor. “Nays” None. Larry Keller was absent.
Signed this 15th day of March, 2021.

Res 21-044 – Moved by Austin Taylor, seconded by Dean Robins, that costs for non-compliance with the Order for Destruction of Noxious Weeds for 2021 are as follows: \$30.00 per man hour for labor and cutting weeds; \$125.00 per hour for tractor and mower if needed; current county mileage rate per mile for any mileage associated with the expense of destroying weeds; cost of certified letter and a 25% administrative fee (administrative fee excludes Clarke County Secondary Roads and Conservation Departments).

Vote was, “Ayes”: Dean Robins and Austin Taylor. “Nays”: None. Larry Keller was absent.
Signed this 15th day of March, 2021.

Having completed agenda items and having no other business, Austin Taylor made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dean Robins. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Signed: Dean Robins, Chairman

Attest: Janice M. White, Auditor